



# Indian River Area Library Newsletter

2022  
June-Aug.

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- JUNE**
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  - June 11 - Basic Bike Maintenance Class
  - June 13 - Mastering Map Reading Class
  - June 28 - Campfire Skies Program
- JULY**
- July 4 - Indian River Independence Day Parade
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- AUGUST**
- Aug. 5 - Nature 101 Workshop
  - Aug. 9 - 3D Printer Sundial Class
  - Aug. 12 - Summer Reading Party
  - Aug. 13 - Summer Reading Program Ends!



Now offering free Library services to the following townships:

Tuscarora  
Burt  
Walker  
Ellis  
Koehler



*We're open Mondays!*

**Library Hours:**

Mon, Wed, Fri 10 am - 5:30 pm

Tues, Thurs 10 am - 7 pm

Saturday 10 am - 2 pm

Sunday CLOSED

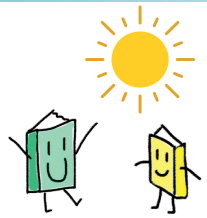
*Arts & Crafts Classes!*

*New technology options!*

*Programs for all ages!*



# SUMMER 2022



To the community members of Northern Michigan,



I am Kelsey Rutkowski, your new Library Director. I am so proud to represent such a unique area, filled with natural beauty and hidden wonders that can only be found through real exploration (and many hours lost in the forest). I grew up downstate in the hustle & bustle of metropolitan Detroit before I made my way to Indian River. You can imagine the culture shock when I found out that there is a whole other world just a few hundred miles up north! As the years continue, and I become more familiar with the beautiful and varied landscapes of Northern Michigan, I grow increasingly certain that this is exactly where I was meant to be.

Our Library staff is committed to providing an enriching, welcoming, and engaging environment for all members of our community. No matter if you're a friend or complete stranger, we will do whatever we can to make sure that you have everything you need to be successful at whatever you do. When you don't know where to go, just head to the Library and we can point you in the right direction.

Libraries are no longer just about books, they are about people. We strive to continue this shift to better support our area and all of its individual needs, going beyond the books in the building to provide timely, essential services & programs and keep our community informed, entertained, and connected to each other and the global world. Our growing Makerspace room is the perfect example of this transformation - not only do we provide extensive supplies to create anything you can think of, but we also focus on bringing in knowledgeable instructors to nurture and encourage the growth of new skills and ideas.

I am thrilled to be your Library Director. I cannot wait to share all that we have in store for the community this summer as we embark on another Summer Reading Program, starting this June. Make sure to stay updated with our Facebook, Instagram, website, and monthly e-newsletter to see all of the latest news about the Library. We would not be able to do what we do without your continued care and support. Thank you for welcoming me into this rare gem of an area and in turn, I encourage you to stop by the Indian River Area Library this summer!



*Kelsey Rutkowski, Library Director*



# June Events

Read Beyond the Beaten Path



## Summer Reading Program begins!

You do not need to be a cardholder to participate!

**June 1st**

Pick up your SRP materials at the Library!



## Basic Bike Maintenance

Saturday, June 11th  
11 am - 12 pm

Learn about simple tricks & tips to fix up your bicycle so it is ready to ride the trails this summer!

Teen & Adults Recommended

Learn how to read a physical map in this class! Best for when your phone is dead and you have no idea where you are.

All ages welcome

## Mastering Map Reading Class



Monday, June 13th  
2-3 pm



## Campfire Skies

Tuesday, June 28th  
6-7 pm

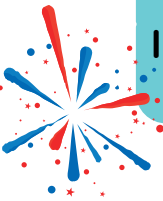
Explore the night skies in the Library with Dynamic School Assemblies! A portable, inflatable Mylar Starlab dome will bring a star-filled planetarium right into our Library!

Children recommended





# July Events



**Indian River  
Independence Day  
Parade**  
Monday, July 4th  
11 am

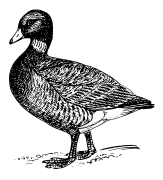
See our camping float in the parade! We will have lots of goodies to pass out during the parade.  
See you there!

All ages  
welcome

Listen to author Tim Mulherin talk about his book, "Sand, Stars, Wind, and Water: Field Notes from Up North". Northern Michiganders will love Tim's take on this special area. Presentation & Q&A.

Adults & Teens  
Recommended

**Author Talk  
Tim Mulherin**



Thursday, July 7th  
2 - 3 pm



**Children's Storytime  
at the Pavilion**  
Friday, July 15th  
11 am

Mike Ridley will be singing songs and reading a story at the Pavilion at Marina Park for this extra special Storytime!

For ages 0-9  
with caregiver

Join us at the Agnes S. Andreae Nature Preserve for a hike & a bonfire story!

All ages  
welcome



**Agnes S. Andreae  
Nature Walk**



Wednesday, July 20th  
10 - 11:30 am

**Yooperlite Rocks  
Class**

Friday, July 15th  
11 am



Make your own Northern Michigan glow-in-the-dark rocks in this fun class for everyone!

All ages  
welcome





# August Events



## Nature 101 Workshop

Friday, Aug. 5th  
1-2 pm

Join us as Hartwick Pines Naturalist Craig Kasmer shares his knowledge on all things nature! Tips & trick for surviving the elements included.

All ages  
welcome

Use our brand new 3D printer to create your very own working sundial in this exciting class! Supplies are provided.

All ages  
welcome

## 3D Printer Sundials Class

Monday, Aug. 8th  
2-3 pm



## Summer Reading Party

Friday, Aug. 12th  
1-2 pm

Join the Library to celebrate the end of the Summer Reading Program with a fun party! Enjoy games, songs, and goodies as we wrap up the summer!

Children  
recommended

## Summer Reading Program is over!

August 13th

Drop off your finished Activity Sheet to be entered into a drawing to win a prize!



# Weekly Programs



## Color Club

Wednesdays,  
10:30 am - 12 pm

Find out what the coloring craze is about in the Color Club!  
All supplies provided or bring your own. No formal instruction, just join us for a relaxing morning with others!

All ages  
welcome

Our Makerspace is the perfect hangout for a weekly time to sit and work on your projects, whether it is fiber arts, painting, making fishing lures or whatever hobby you enjoy working on.

Adults & Teens  
Recommended



## Hobby Hangout

Wednesdays, 1-3 pm



## Children's Storytime

Fridays, 11 am



A fun-filled hour with a story or two and time for a craft/activity!

For ages 0-9  
with caregiver



Players of all skill levels are welcome and we love to introduce beginners to the game! Tiles will be supplied.

Adults & Teens  
Recommended



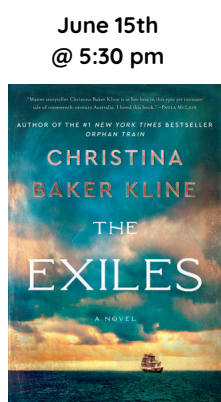
## Mahjong Club

Saturdays, 10:30 am



## Monthly Adult Book Club

Our book club meets every third Wednesday of the month. Simply pick up a copy of the book, read it, and come to the meeting! Books are supplied by the Library and new members are always welcome.



## Text & Learn for Kindergarten

Check out our brand new service to prepare children before Kindergarten!  
Sign up at [texttolearn.com](http://texttolearn.com)

## TALK Make any time learning time!

**TALK:** about letter sounds while you wait. How many things can your child see that start with the p sound? People, paper, purple.

Text **TALK** to **75547**

Get messages with fun activities to help prepare your little one for school success. For more information visit [texttolearn.com](http://texttolearn.com).





# Beyond the Building

Access the Library wherever you may travel this summer

Check out our E-resources!

**OPEN**  
LIBRARY



## LIBBY (formerly Overdrive)

Provides thousands of E-books, Audiobooks, and Magazines



## CREATIVEBUG

Over 1,500 instructional video classes to explore that are self-paced and cover subjects from art to sewing, food & home to jewelry, kids crafts to holiday/party ideas



## MEL

In addition to providing books to our library if we do not have them, Mel has extensive learning E-resources for all ages.



## HOOPLA (for Tuscarora residents)

like Libby providing E-books, Audiobooks and Magazines but also includes Music, Movies, Comics, and TV Shows on most devices

## The new Cooperation Book Walk

Find it at Cooperation Park!

The Book Walk is a partnership between the Great Start Collaborative and the Indian River Area Library that offers a unique way to enjoy a children's book while getting outside and staying active, made possible through a grant from the Michigan Dept. of Education & the office of Great Start.

The Book Walk combines Literacy with Nature & Physical Activity for people of all ages. Pages of a children's book are mounted on posts and set along a path for people to read.

**COOPERATION  
BOOK WALK  
GRAND OPENING**

**Tuesday**

**June 7**

**1:00 p.m.**

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**Cooperation Park**

Goodies & snacks provided!

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**See what the Friends are up to!**



**Friends Book Sale room at the Library**

Hours:  
Tuesdays, 10 am - 3 pm  
Fridays, 3 pm - 5:30 pm  
*\*also open whenever room is not in use*

**Annual Summerfest Book Sale**

*Find our booth during Indian River Summerfest!*

Pay your price for used books, kids' crafts, art prints from local artists, and more!



**Homebound Delivery Service**

In Fall 2021, the Friends launched a new service in partnership with the Library to deliver library materials to homebound patrons. Check out the Library website for more information and how to sign up.

**Annual Mahjong Tournament**

*3rd Annual Tournament will be September 22 from 1-4 pm!*  
Test your skills at this annual fundraising event! Cash prizes for winners. Coffee, Tea, Punch, and Dessert included!



**Be a Friend to the Friends!**

**DONATE:** The Indian River Area Library is always accepting donations for the Book Sale Room. We accept books, DVDs, CDs, audiobooks, and puzzles in good condition. We no longer accept VHS or audio cassette tapes.

**BE A MEMBER!** Basic membership in the Friends is only \$10/year. Pick up an application at the Library to get started.

**Keep an eye on the Library website for upcoming fundraisers!**

**LIBRARY CLOSED**

Memorial Day  
May 30

Independence Day  
July 4

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