

## JUNE 2017

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				<b>1</b> Fines Forgiveness Day - 6:00 - 7:00pm - Beginning Computer Part I	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> 5:30pm - Toddler Block Party - 6:00 - 7:00pm Beginning Computer Part II	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> 2:00 - 4:00pm One-on-One Computer Sessions	<b>13</b> 11:00 AM Toddler Block Party	<b>14</b> Flag Day	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> Flip Flop Day	<b>17</b>
<b>18</b> Father's Day	<b>19</b> Summer Reading Program Signup begins 3:00 - 4:00pm - Overdrive 101 @ Attica 6:30pm - Classroom Critters	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> 11:00am - Teddy Bear Picnic @ Imlay Township Park 6:00pm - Michigan Kit Houses	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>
<b>25</b> Reading Goal = Birdhouse Base	<b>26</b> 1:00pm - Ming the Magnificent: Build a Better Car	<b>27</b> Sunglasses Day	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b> 5:30pm - Family Forts Nite	

## JULY 2017

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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<b>2</b> Second Half of the Year Day Reading Goal = Birdhouse Sides	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> Library Closed	<b>5</b> 11:00am - Noon Read 2 a Dog	<b>6</b> 1:00pm - Touch a Truck @ the Attica Branch 6:00 - 7:00pm Beginning Microsoft Excel	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>9</b> Reading Goal = Birdhouse Front and Back	<b>10</b> 1:00pm - Sloan Museum: Earthquake Construction	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b> 1:00pm - T-shirt Wreck	<b>14</b> Cow Appreciation Day	<b>15</b> Attica Days: 11:00am - 4:00pm Games & Crafts 1:00pm - Bubbleman - Gummy Worm Day
<b>16</b> Reading Goal = Birdhouse Roof	<b>17</b> 1:00pm - Mat Emerick Mime, Juggling, and Storytelling 3:00 - 4:00pm - iPad 101	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b> 11:00am - Noon Read 2 a Dog 5:30pm - Harry Potter Trivia Night	<b>20</b> National Lollipop Day	<b>21</b> 10:00am - 5:00pm Book Sale	<b>22</b> 10:00am - 3:00pm Book Sale 1:00pm - Blueberry Festival: Bubbleman
<b>23</b> Birdhouse Makeup Week Gorgeous Grandma Day	<b>24</b> 6:30pm Painterly Pottery	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> 5:30pm - Toddler Block Party	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>
<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>					

## AUGUST 2017

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		<b>1</b> Watermelon Day	<b>2</b> 11:00am - Noon Read 2 a Dog	<b>3</b> 4:00 - 7:00pm Summer Reading Finale: Painting and Ice Cream Party	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> 1:00pm Constellation Exploration	<b>8</b> 11:00am Toddler Block Party	<b>9</b> Book Lovers' Day	<b>10</b> 6:00 - 7:00pm Google Drive	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> 11:00am - 2:00pm Cracker Jack Prize Display
<b>13</b> Garage Sale Day	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> 11:00am - Noon Read 2 a Dog Tell a Joke Day	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>
<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> 12:30-2:00pm Solar Eclipse Extravaganza: eclipse will peak at 2:26pm 3:00 - 4:00pm - Using the Michigan E Library	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> 5:30pm Toddler Block Party	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>
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### IMLAY CITY BRANCH

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# Ruth Hughes

## Memorial District Library

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### SUMMER 2017

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## RUTH HUGHES NEWS

### Your Ruth Hughes Memorial District Library Board

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#### Library Director: Tracy Aldrich

#### Library Hours

**IMLAY CITY**  
Monday, Wednesday  
& Thursday  
10 am - 8 pm  
Tuesday & Friday  
10 am - 5 pm  
Saturday  
10 am - 3 pm

**ATTICA TOWNSHIP**  
Monday & Thursday  
2 pm - 7 pm  
Tuesday & Friday  
10 am - 3 pm

#### Summer Closings

July 4:  
Independence Day

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### From the Director

This year's Summer Reading Theme is *Build a Better World*. Adults, children, and teens are all welcome to join in this special program which encourages all of us to explore our communities and help make them better places for everyone, using the library as a starting point. Children can craft a birdhouse throughout the summer with parts earned through reading; adults can enjoy a presentation on the famous Sears kit homes of the early 1900s, which helped build small town America; and families are invited to create a fort in the library for a cozy reading getaway during Family Forts Nite. What other ways can you find to build a better world this summer?

### Fines Forgiveness Day

June 1

Start fresh this summer with our fines forgiveness day! Call or stop in anytime during regular library hours to clear overdue fines from your account. Please note: items must be returned first, and fines forgiveness does not cover fees for lost or damaged items, nor does it cover the \$10 non-refundable collection agency fee.

### Blueberry Book Sale

July 21 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM, July 22 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Pick up some new reads for the summer season at our book sale, held in the lower level of the library during Imlay City's Blueberry Festival.

### Bubbleman Show: Attica Days & Imlay City Blueberry Festivals

July 15 & 22, 1:00 PM

Beat the heat and get in on the bubblicious fun when the Bubbleman joins us at the Attica Days Festival (July 15) and the Imlay City Blueberry Festival (July 22). He will teach us how to make the enormous, colorful bubbles that have made him famous!

### Kids Tent: Attica Days Festival

July 15, 11:00 AM - 4:00 PM

The library will be taking part in the fun at the Attica Days Festival Kids Tent again this year with a day full of carnival games and crafting fun! From 11:00 AM - 4:00 PM there will be free crafts and games for kids (and kids at heart.)

### Cracker Jack Prize Display

August 12, 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM

What would an American summer be without baseball and Cracker Jack? The tasty treat with the toy surprise has been a favorite snack for generations, ever since it was created in 1896 by the Rueckheim Brothers of Chicago. Local resident John Wayne has one of the finest and most extensive collections of Cracker Jack prizes anywhere, with thousands of tiny items filling countless display cases. Stop by the library on Saturday, August 12 between 11:00 AM and 2:00 PM for a rare peek at the prizes and a chance to chat with their collector.

### Mark your calendar for these important, and often little-known, dates:

June 14	Flag Day - fly your flag proudly
June 16	Flip Flop Day - let your toes breathe!
June 18	Father's Day - celebrate dads today
June 27	Sunglasses Day - protect your eyes from harmful UV light
July 1	Second Half of the Year Day - where has the time gone?!
July 14	Cow Appreciation Day - have a nice cold glass of milk
July 15	Gummy Worm Day - get a free gummy worm at the library!
July 20	National Lollipop Day - free lollipops will be available at the library
July 23	Gorgeous Grandma Day - tell yours how fabulous she is!
August 1	Watermelon Day - what could be finer on a hot summer day?
August 9	Book Lovers' Day - visit the Library and check out a book today
August 13	Garage Sale Day - take that Gorgeous Grandma garage saling
August 16	Tell a Joke Day - laugh out loud!

# Adult Programs

## Adult Summer Reading Program June 19 – August 3

Sign up for the adult Summer Reading Program and enter to win a grand prize at the end: for every book you read you will get one entry slip for the drawing. There will be a fun, special twist to the program this year. Watch for more info at sign-up!



## Michigan Kit Houses June 22, 6:00 pm

Join us as Andrew and Wendy Mutch share their knowledge of Michigan kit houses. In 1906, dreams of homeownership for thousands of Americans began on the pages of mail order catalogs. With an order from Sears Roebuck or Montgomery Ward, these homeowners embarked on the ultimate DIY project - a kit house.



## Painterly Pottery: Watercolor Basics & Techniques

July 24, 6:30 pm

Painterly Pottery returns with a new workshop all about watercolor, with an emphasis on landscapes and natural elements. Learn the basics of watercolor painting with a "Make & Take" project. Registration is required; call 810-724-8043 to reserve your space and free materials.

# Computer Classes

Registration is required for all computer classes; call 810-724-8043 to sign up.  
All classes are typically one hour long and are held at the Imlay branch unless otherwise noted.

## Beginning Computer Part I and II June 1 and June 8, 6:00 – 7:00 pm

Eager to learn more about computers but aren't sure where to start? Join us for a two part beginning computer class at the library. We will cover topics such as parts of the computer, using the mouse and keyboard, getting online, internet safety, and more.

## Overdrive 101 @ the ATTICA BRANCH June 19, 3:00 – 4:00 pm

Do you live in Imlay City, Imlay Township, or Attica Township and would like to check out eBooks and other electronic materials? With your phone, tablet, or computer you can borrow eBooks and eAudiobooks through our Overdrive program at the Ruth Hughes Library. It is free of charge, and there are no late fees!

## One-On-One Computer Sessions

June 12, 2:00 – 4:00 pm; 30 minute sessions

Are you interested in our computer classes but unable to attend, or would you prefer a smaller classroom setting? Sign up for a 30 minute one-on-one computer session with Tech Coordinator Jessica Bostian. When you sign up, let us know what topics/issues you are looking to learn more about, and staff will call back and confirm whether or not this is something we can assist you with.



## iPad 101

July 17, 3:00 – 4:00 pm

Do you have an Apple iPad and would like to learn more about it? Join our iPad class as we discuss downloading and managing apps, customizing your home screen, using the camera, keyboard tips and tricks, and managing your settings.



## Beginning Microsoft Excel

July 6, 6:00 – 7:00 pm

Spreadsheets, budgets, and charts, oh my! Learn some tips and tricks to using Microsoft Excel, the spreadsheet program that allows you to create, manage, and sort large amounts of data. Learn more about the program at our beginning Excel class.

## Google Drive

August 10, 6:00 – 7:00 pm

If you have a Google account, you have access to Google Drive, a cloud-based software that can store 5G of data for free. In addition to storage space for files and photos, you have access to several programs provided by Google, such as Google Docs, Sheets, Slides, and more. Learn how to use your Google account to its fullest capacity!

## Using the Michigan E Library

August 21, 3:00 – 4:00 pm

The Michigan E Library is a vast resource of information available for free to Michigan residents. In addition to providing inter-library loan materials, MeLCat also provides many education resources such as databases, teacher resources, test preparation, and more. Learn how to navigate this website and its many inlets at our MeL class.

# Youth & Family Programs

## Youth Summer Reading Program

June 19 – August 3

We're going hammer and nails for this Summer Reading Program, as we each build a birdhouse by reading! Sign up starting June 19 and work towards your own self-set reading goal. Each week, participants who meet their goal will receive pieces of a birdhouse kit. On August 3, we'll celebrate everyone's hard work at our Construction, Painting, and Ice Cream Party: bring your birdhouse to finish it up, and have a sweet treat! By the end of summer, we will have "Built a Better World" for our feathered friends and our community!

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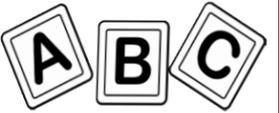
## Summer Reading Program Kickoff June 19 All Day/ Classroom Critters, 6:30 pm

Get ready to "Build a Better World" this summer at your library! After signing up, hang out for the exciting Classroom Critters show. Cute animals and reading fun?! It's a win-win!



## Toddler Block Party June 8, July 27, August 24, 5:30 pm June 13, August 8, 11:00 am

Parents and Toddlers are welcome to "raise the roof" at Block Party! It may seem like just fun and games, but there is actually quite a bit of learning that goes on—like problem solving, imagination, motor and social skills, and so much more. Feel free to drop in; we have blocks and fun in abundance.



## Teddy & Me Picnic @ the IMLAY TOWNSHIP PARK

June 22, 11:00 am

Grab your favorite fuzzy bear and a sack lunch (we'll provide the drinks) and head over to the Imlay Township Park for a special Teddy Bear Picnic. A fun time filled with teddy bear songs, games, and crafts will be waiting for you! The park is located at 682 N. Fairgrounds Rd. in Imlay Township.

## Ming the Magnificent: Build a Better Car

June 26, 1:00 pm

Two great "r's" covered at the same time: race cars and recycling! Ming the Magnificent will teach us what to do, supply us with everything we need, and everyone gets to leave with a homemade race car!

## Family Forts Nite

June 30, 5:30 pm

Calling all families for an after hours fort building delight! We'll start the night off with songs, stories, and a snack then we'll break up to build blanket forts around the library for some quiet reading time with your favorite family members. Please bring your own building supplies (pillows, blankets, etc...) and remember that you will NOT be able to use books as building materials!



## Read 2 A Dog

July 5 & 19, August 2 & 16

11:00 am – 12:00 pm

Megan the Dog and her Mom have kindly agreed to return to the library to help us with our reading skills this summer! Sign up for a time slot and get to read a book or two to Megan, she's a great listener!

## Touch a Truck @ the ATTICA BRANCH

July 6, 1:00 pm

What's one of the key ingredients to building a better world? That's right: awesome machinery! Join us for all the fun as we meet some of the amazing trucks and their drivers that work in our community.

## Sloan Museum: Earthquake Construction

July 10, 1:00 pm

Things will be rockin' and rollin' at the library when the Sloan Museum of Flint teaches us how to make a building earthquake proof. Once we have the knowledge we need, we'll put our engineering skills to the test by designing and building an earthquake tower and then trying it out on their earthquake simulation table!

## T-Shirt Wreck

July 13, 1:00 pm

Get your up-cycle on with two fun ways to "wreck" a t-shirt, recreate it or turn it into something utterly different! T-shirts will be provided but if you have one at home you'd rather use, feel free to bring it along.

## Mat Emerick: Mime, Juggling, and Storytelling Show

July 17, 1:00 pm

Get ready for the side splitting jokes and antics of Mat Emerick in this family friendly evening filled with songs, stories, mime and more!

## Harry Potter Trivia Night

July 19, 5:30 pm

Put your Potter-ific skills to the test as you go head to head with other "Potterheads" in this wizarding knowledge show down. Come by yourself or bring a team of no more than 5 to compete for magical bragging rights and "spellbinding" prizes.

## Summer Reading Program Finale: Construction, Painting and Ice Cream Party

August 3, 4:00 – 7:00 pm

To celebrate all the pages read, fun shared, and birdhouses built during Summer Reading 2017, stop in at the library from 4:00 – 7:00 PM to finish up and have an ice cream. We'll have paints available to complete your birdhouse. Everyone, both young and young at heart, who took part in the Summer Reading Program, is welcome!

## Constellation Exploration

August 7, 1:00 pm

When you look at the night sky and you see all the stars, do you find yourself wondering which is which? Well, wonder no more! During this interesting afternoon we will learn the stories associated with the constellations and create our own versions.



## Solar Eclipse Extravaganza @ the ATTICA BRANCH

August 21, 12:30 – 2:00 pm

Join the fun at a literal once in a lifetime event: for the first time in 38 years there will be a solar eclipse that is visible in the U.S! Zoom over to the Attica branch to take part in several eclipse related activities and enjoy a great view of the southern sky where the spectacle will occur.

All events subject to changes or cancellations.

Please check the library's website for the most up to date information.