

NEWSLETTER

JUNE - AUGUST 2022

FROM THE LIBRARY DIRECTOR

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Summer has always been my favorite time at the Library. From the time I was a kid, I always looked forward to summer reading

and the fun challenges, programs, and prizes that came with it. That excitement has continued through my time working in libraries. Summer is a time of energy and excitement with new friends and old. As always, our wonderful staff have put a lot of time and thought into planning great programs to go along with this year's theme: Oceans of Possibilities!

If, like me, you look back fondly on memories of summer reading but are a few years past school age, not to worry! We also have an amazing summer program for adults, complete with the programs, prizes, and challenges you love. This year, we're excited to debut a new online component of summer reading, with mini challenges to earn badges throughout the summer. Continue reading within this newsletter for more information.

Of course, it wouldn't be summer at Cromaine without the Summer Concert Series. This fan favorite is for library lovers of all ages, with music and food trucks on the lawn on Tuesday nights from June 28 through August 2. We have some returning favorites, and new bands this year that we think you'll love!

See you at the library!

Mallorie DeVilbiss Director

DON'T FORGET!

Registration continues to be on a month-to-month basis. Mark your calendar for these dates so you can save your spot at our incredible programs! Register at 9:00 am on our website at www.cromaine.org, or call the Library during normal business hours to ask a staff member for assistance.

June Registration: May 26

Scan the QR code for up-to-date information on our calendar!



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EVENT CALENDAR

Look for programs for all ages, including Percy Jackson Camp, Arrgh: A History of Piracy on the Great Lakes, Salsa-Making with The Foreign Fork, and more!

SUMMER CONCERT SERIES

Join us for six nights of music on the South Lawn! P4

CROMAINE CARES

Help support the LESA Backpacks for Kids drive. Back Page

CROMAINE **NOSTALGIA**

Stories and pictures from years gone by.

HARRY POTTER

Immerse yourself in the world of Harry Potter. P2

MEET BEANSTACK

Learn how to log your reading this summer! **P6**



July Registration: June 23 **August Registration: July 28**

SUMMER READING CHALLENGE

June 1 through August 5

Experience the joy of reading and prevent summer learning loss by participating in Cromaine's Summer Reading Challenge! This summer's theme is **Oceans of Possibilities**, and our staff have planned some incredible programs for every age. The more you read, the better your chances to win great prizes! This year's grand prizes include gift cards to some of your favorite local stores and restaurants.

Ages 0-5 and their families record the number of times they read together on an activity sheet. Patrons Kindergarten through Adults record their summer reading progress through our new online resource called Beanstack! Download the Beanstack app or visit https://cromaine.beanstack.org for more information and to set up your account.

PROGRAM KEY

REGISTER

Registration required for this program or kit. Register online or by phone

V VIRTUAL

This program is held virtually. See the program listing online for details

K TAKE-HOME KIT

Stop by the library to pick up a kit

DROP-IN

No registration necessary for this kit or program

ALL AGES

WEEKLY DROP-IN ACTIVITIES

Stop by the Youth Department for a different craft or activity each week. Themes include boats, magical creatures, pets, and more.

® UNDER THE SEA PARTY

Thursday, June 2 @ 6:30 pm Join Ariel, Nemo, Moana, and more as we dive under the sea for a craft and activity extravaganza! Costumes and fandom-wear encouraged!

D BOREDOM BUSTER TAKE-HOME KIT

Saturdays, June 11 & July 30 These kits are packed with crafts, activities, and book suggestions to help make your weekend fun!

B FAMILY CONCERT WITH MUSIC AT THE BLISSFUL

Monday, June 20 @ 2:00 pm Come join the fun on the Library's South Lawn as we sing, jump, shake, laugh, and go slow and fast with National Touring Musician Music at The Blissful (Evan Haller).

® SUPERHERO PARTY

Saturday, June 25 @ 11:00 am An epic afternoon of superhero fun with crafts, activities, and more!

OS SOCKTOPUS TAKE-HOME KIT

Saturday, July 2

Make your very own no-sew, snuggly, cephalopod friend!



(B) FAMILY SHARPIE TIE-DYE

Wednesday, July 6 @ 10:00 am
Bring a white t-shirt or other white
article of clothing to create your own
wearable work of art!

(B) THE YULE BALL

Wednesday, July 13 @ 7:00 pm
Dress in your best and dance
the night away in a Christmas
wonderland like only the Harry
Potter world can deliver. Themed
refreshments, activities, and a photo
booth cap off a magical night your
family will talk about for years
to come.

MAGICAL CREATURES PARTY

Saturday, July 16 @ 11:00 am Magical creature lovers of all ages are invited to join us for an afternoon filled with crafts, activities, and more.

COMMUNITY SCAVENGER HUNT

August 1 through August 31 Walk around downtown Hartland, find the twelve clues, and solve the puzzle!

• FAMILY DRIVE-IN MOVIE: ENCANTO

Friday, August 12 @ 8:45 pm Join us in our parking lot!

PRE-K

D FAMILY STORYTIME

Thursdays, June 9 through July 28 @ 10:00 am

Stories, songs, and fun for the whole family on the Library's South Lawn. Bring a blanket to sit on and don't forget your sunscreen!

BABY STORYTIME

Tuesdays, June 7 & July 5 @ 10:00 am

Enjoy songs, rhymes, a story, and fun with your little one on the South Lawn!

BABY PLAYTIME

Tuesdays, June 21 & July 19 @ 10:00 am

Enjoy a variety of toys and activities in this open-ended playtime on the South Lawn.

PIRATE PARTY

Wednesday, June 22 @ 10:00 am Discover your pirate name, make a mini treasure chest, dig for treasure, and more!

® OCEAN STEM

Wednesday, July 27 @ 10:00 am Explore the oceans with your little one through water sensory play. fun science experiments, and much more!

YOGA FOR PRE-K KIDS & CAREGIVERS

Tuesday, June 14 @ 11:30 am Tuesdays, July 12 and August 9 @ 10:00 am

ELEMENTARY

VISION BOARD CREATION

Tuesday, June 7 @ 6:30 pm Join us for an evening of fun as we teach children how to make hopes and dreams come alive. Presented by Coaching Kids 4 Success.

OCEAN SCIENCE

Wednesday, June 8 @ 2:00 pm Join us for hands-on activities to explore how pollution affects our oceans and wildlife.

® TAIL WAGGIN' TUTORS

Tuesday, June 14 @ 6:30 pm Develop a love of reading and practice your reading skills with a caring and patient canine friend!

PRESSED PLANT ART

Wednesday, June 22 @ 2:00 pm Join us on the South Lawn to create beautiful art using flowers and leaves.

MAGIC TREE HOUSE PARTY

Wednesday, June 29 @ 6:30 pm Join us for crafts, activities, and more to celebrate this well-loved book series.

B LITTLE GARDENERS: **EXPLORING OUR SENSES**

Wednesday, July 6 @ 2:00 pm Learn how to use your senses in nature with hands-on activities.



HARRY POTTER CAMP

Monday, July 11 through Friday. July 15 @ 1:30, 3:30 or 6:30 pm Wednesday, July 13 @ 7:00 pm for all 3 camps

Immerse yourself in the world of Harry Potter as we explore The Goblet of Fire in this week-long camp.

® SAND ART

Wednesday, July 20 @ 2:00 pm Join us on the South Lawn to make ocean-themed sand art.

TWFFN For grades 5 through 7

TWEEN NIGHTS

Mondays, June 6 through July 25 @ 6:30 pm Enjoy something fun and different each week, including themes like Spa Day, Warriors, Throw-Back Crafts, and more!

R PERCY JACKSON CAMP

Monday, June 13 through Friday, June 17 @ 1:30 pm and 3:30 pm Find out who your godly parent is, train in Ares-approved combat skills, and go on a guest to find the legendary Helm of Darkness.

® VIRTUAL TWEEN **BOOK CLUB**

Mondays, June 27, July 25 & August 29 @ 6:30 pm Sign up to receive a free copy of each month's book.

TWEEN AFTER-HOURS PARTY

Friday, August 12 @ 5:30 pm Students in grades 5-7 are invited to join us for a special after-hours event to celebrate the end of summer and Cromaine's Summer Reading Challenge!

TWEEN + TEEN For Grades 5 through 10

R TWEEN & TEEN TAKE-OUT BOX

Sign up each month to receive a box filled with one or two library books hand-picked just for you, a sweet or savory treat, and other fun surprises! Enjoy a new theme each month: Summer, Fandom, and Fantasy! These boxes are funded through the generous support of the Friends of the Cromaine Library.

R TWEEN & TEEN WRITING GROUP

Fridays, June 3 & July 8 @ 2:00 pm

Do you want to meet other writers? Join us to discuss your latest project, try out some writing prompts, eat snacks and more!

📵 TWEEN & TEEN SOLAR **OVEN S'MORES**

Tuesday, June 21 @ 2:00 pm Create your own solar oven using simple supplies and enjoy a s'more on the South Lawn.

TWEEN & TEEN CRAFTERNOON

Friday, July 29 @ 2:00 pm Hang out, sample international candy, and create anything you'd like in this open-ended art program.

TFFN

For grades 7 through 12

TEEN NIGHTS

Thursdays, June 9 through July 28 @ 6:30 pm

Enjoy something fun and different each week, with themes including Origami, Water Party, and more!

(B) TEEN BOOK CLUB

Thursdays, June 30 & July 28 @ 6:30 pm

Discuss a new book each month and enjoy snacks! Sign up to receive a free copy of each month's book.

(B) TEEN AFTER-HOURS PARTY

Friday, August 12 @ 7:30 pm Celebrate the end of Cromaine's Summer Reading Challenge with a special after-hours event.

FEATURED EVENTS @ CROMAINE

ADULT

This is a live Zoom event.
Register with valid email to receive the access link.

® WINE 101

Wednesday, June 1 @ 6:30 pm Join Michelle for fun, facts and samples in this introduction to the world of wine! Must be 21 or older.

ADULT CRAFT KITS

Fridays, June 3 & 17, July 1 & 15, August 5 & 19, All Day Visit our online calendar to see all of the great kits we are offering this summer, including ocean pour painting, decoupaged drink coasters, and more!

BV CROMAINE'S DESERT ISLAND FAVORITES VIDEO

Mondays, June 6, July 4, & August 1 @ 10:00 am
Each month, Adult Services
Librarian Erik and a guest
discuss their favorite items from
Cromaine's collections that
embrace a common theme.

® COLD STEEPED TEAS WITH BRAD COATES

Monday, June 6 @ 6:30 pm Sample and learn about several varieties of cold steeped teas including how to make them at home!

® YOGA WITH DEBBIE

Tuesdays, June 7 & 21, August 16 & 23 @ 6:30 pm
Mondays, July 18 & 25
@ 6:30 pm
Wednesdays, June 15, July 13, & August 10 @ 11:00 am
Bring your own mat, and register for each session separately.

B ALWAYS A WELCOME SIGHT: LIGHTHOUSES OF MICHIGAN!

Wednesday, June 8 @ 6:30 pm Join historian Andrew Kercher to learn all about the how and the why of some of the most famous lighthouses on the Great Lakes.

MEDICAID ASSISTANCE PROGRAM PRESENTATIONS

Fridays, June 10, July 8, & August 12 @ 1:00 pm
Check out our online calendar to view the specific topics for each month.

RESUME REVIEW WITH MICHIGANWORKS!

Mondays, June 13, July 11, & August 8 - All Day
Half-hour appointments for resume review are made directly with
Michigan Works! resume expert,
Patty Sudbay. Call 517-552-2106
or email her at psudbay@mwse.org.
Meetings are held by telephone or Zoom.

G CROMAINE LIBRARY WRITERS Mondays, June 13 & July 11

Mondays, June 13 & July 11 @ 6:30 pm

Tuesday, August 30 @ 6:30 pm Join us for this dedicated time to work on your creative writing project and get feedback from fellow participants.

® SATURDAY MATINEE

Saturdays, June 18, July 23, & August 27 @ 2:00 pm
Read the book at home and then come to a screening of the movie. Cromaine will provide movie style snacks and the group will discuss their thoughts on the adaptation. This program is for those over 18. June 18: Jaws by Peter Benchley (PG)
July 23: Annihilation by Jeff VanderMeer (R)
August 27: No Country for Old

(B) ARRGH: A HISTORY OF PIRACY ON THE GREAT LAKES

Men by Cormac McCarthy (R)

Monday, June 20 @ 6:30 pm
Join Ellen Kennedy from the National
Museum of the Great Lakes for a
historical and cultural re-examination
of piracy and its implications for
understanding Great Lakes history.

(B) ALE TOGETHER NOW

Wednesdays, June 22, July 27, & August 24 @ 6:30 pm Join Michelle for fun, facts and samples! Must be 21 or older.

MEDICARE QUESTIONS? THE LIVINGSTON COUNTY MMAP TEAM HAS ANSWERS!

Monday, June 27, July 25, & August 29 @ 6:00 pm & 7:30 pm MMAP (Michigan Medicare/Medicaid Assistance Program) provides unbiased information/assistance to Medicare beneficiaries and caregivers.

MICHIGAN BEER: A HEADY HISTORY

Tuesday, June 28 @ 6:30 pm Author Patti F. Smith leads a talk highlighting brewers from the pioneers to the end of the 19th century, through Prohibition and post WWII.

B ♥ SEASCAPES AND MORE AT THE DETROIT INSTITUTE OF ARTS ★

Wednesday, July 6 @ 6:30 pm Carlene VanVoorhies joins us again to explore several works of art in the museum's collection that feature the wonders of the seas and other bodies of water.

® ONE ROOM SCHOOLHOUSE

Wednesday, July 20 @ 6:30 pm Travel back in time with the "One Room School Teacher" Lois Sprengnether Keel to the days when Michigan had over 7,000 one-room schoolhouses.

⊕ SALSA-MAKING WITH THE FOREIGN FORK ★

Wednesday, August 31 @ 6:30 pm Join Alexandria Drzazgowski, author of The Foreign Fork food blog, for a virtual salsa-making demonstration.

D BOOK CLUBS

Visit our online calendar to see the book selection for each month! All held at 6:30 pm.

NON-FICTION BOOK CLUB

Thursdays, June 9, July 14, & August 11

MYSTERY BOOK CLUB

Tuesdays, June 14, July 12, & August 9

FICTION BOOK CLUB

Thursdays, June 23, July 28, & August 25



Join us on Cromaine's South Lawn for six nights of music! Gather half an hour early to get your spot on the lawn and enjoy dinner from a local food truck!

JUNE 28 Surf 2

Surf Zup

Beaching rock tunes

JULY 5

Just Around the Corner

The local band we love playing bluegrass, old rock, gospel, and more

JULY 12

Air Margaritaville

The premier Jimmy Buffet tribute band

JULY 19

Alan Turner

High-energy country with a rock 'n roll sound

JULY 26

Miranda and the M80s

The '80s rock that we know and love

AUGUST 2

The Byron Legacy Show

Tom Jones, Neil Diamond, Elvis, Karen Carpenter and more

THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSORS

A heartfelt "thank you" goes out to our sponsors. Without their continued support, our Summer Concert Series would not be possible. Cromaine encourages all of our patrons to shop and eat local – supporting these businesses helps us continue to stay "Community Connected"!

SWORDFISH - \$2,500 & More







STINGRAY - \$1,000 & MORE

Bank of Ann Arbor Dick & Barbara Krueger LOC Credit Union

TURTLE - \$500

Beauchamp Water

ALL OTHER GIFTS:

Connie Brinkerhoff /
Mary Kay Cosmetics
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Tony Sacco's
The Rokas Family
Village Manor Retirement

CROMAINE NOSTALGIA

We've been taking time to celebrate the history and creativity of Cromaine Library. The Community Relations department has spent time perusing and sharing Community Life excerpts, dating back to the 1950s, as well as some of the historic documents and artifacts from the time of J.R. Crouse himself. There's truly a story for every person of every generation within our Library, showcasing our commitment to being a cornerstone of the Hartland Community since our establishment in 1927! Enjoy some of our stories, and feel free to share YOUR story with us at communityrelations@cromaine.org.



Did you know that our entire Adult Services collection was once housed in the **Community Room** on the third floor? In fact, the tiny Friends Closet on the third floor was once the Director's office, and the section on the second floor that is now the Teen Room used to house the entire Youth Services collection!



The beloved "Cromaine Train" was donated to the Library by the Hartland Area Jaycees in 1980. It was built for children to enjoy in the Youth department, and even won second place at that year's Memorial Day parade float competition!



Have you heard of our former Library cat, **Rachel**? She was a little stray who wandered into the building one day and never looked back – and the community loved having her! She was known to sit on Library windowsills, keep readers company, and occasionally steal a Librarian's lunch if they weren't careful.

During the construction of the Library addition in 1979, Rachel slipped out the door and was missing for almost two weeks! Library staff held a small search party for her and created posters asking the community at large for her whereabouts. She was even in the local newspaper! Many concerned patrons called the Library asking for updates on Rachel. Fortunately, the beloved feline returned to the Library one September morning, perched on a windowsill and meowing to be let inside. She never did tell us where she had run off to.



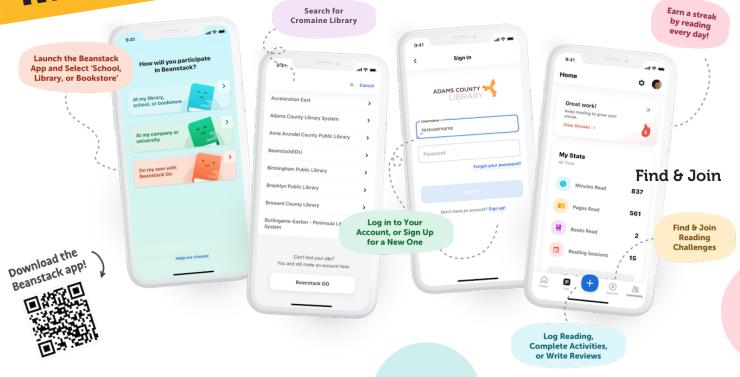
Youth programming became more and more creative as the years progressed, and the photo documentation of it all is priceless! Did you participate in the Peanut Party in the 1980s? A whopping 25 pounds of peanuts were donated to Cromaine for the program by Kar-Nut products in Ferndale, and they were used for everything from peanut relays to peanut butter making. Or maybe you brought your child to Moose Madness in the 1990s, where songs, stories and crafts celebrated the monumental mammal. Even in 2022, we all know that there's never a dull moment in Youth Services!



A typewriter fire in 1998 almost set the Library ablaze! The fire was quickly put out by firefighters, but library equipment and historical documents were damaged. An outpour of support and sympathy from the local community encouraged the hardworking librarians, and after a few months of clean-up, the historic Library was open once again to patrons.

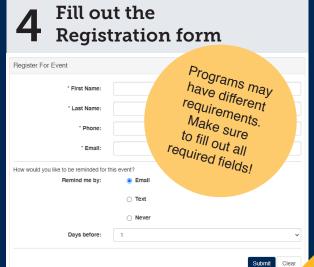
MEET BEANSTACK!

Cromaine is excited to utilize **Beanstack**, a user-friendly app and website to help you quickly log your summer reading. Need assistance? Our librarians are always ready to assist you. Reach out to web@cromaine.org!



HOW TO SIGN UP FOR PROGRAMS ONLINE







Hartland, MI 48353

DATED MATERIAL:

Postmaster, deliver by May 23, 2022



LOCAL POSTAL CUSTOMER

DON'T MISS THESE!

HARTLAND SOUP

Wednesday, July 13 @ 6:30 pm Join the Hartland community for tasty crowdfunding at Settlers Park! Pay \$5 for dinner and after hearing two to three people briefly pitch their ideas to benefit their local organization, vote on which project gets the cash collected from the meal! RSVP at bit.ly/JulySOUP2022.

CROMAINE CARES: LESA BACKPACKS FOR KIDS COLLECTION

Tuesday, July 19 @ 6:30 pm
Enjoy music at the Summer
Concert Series AND support a greatorganization! Bring a substantial school supply donation for the LESA Backpacks for Kids drive and get a free slice of Tony Sacco's pizza.
Forgot your donation? No problem!
Get a slice for a cash donation of \$1 or more!

CROMAINE CLOSING DATES:

Memorial Day:

Saturday, May 28 -Monday, May 30

Independence Day:

Monday, July 4

Labor Day Holiday:

Saturday, September 3 - Monday, September 5

When Cromaine is closed, the materials return, wireless in the parking lot and virtual library services at www.cromaine.org are all open.

EVENT INFORMATION

If you are unable to register online, or if you need an accommodation to attend an event, please call **810-632-5200**.

CROMAINE LIBRARY

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CROMAINE HOURS:

Monday-Thursday 9 am - 8 pm Friday & Saturday 10 am - 5 pm Sunday Closed Sunday hours resume September 11

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