



# The Connection

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### HOURS

Monday/Wednesday  
 10am-7pm  
 Tues/Thurs/Friday  
 10am-5pm  
 Sat  
 10am-2pm

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### —BOOK NOOK—

Friends of the Library used  
 and collectable books for sale.

### Hours

Monday-Friday  
 10am-4pm  
 Saturday  
 10am-2pm

100% volunteer staffed—please  
 call ahead for exact hours



## MEMORIAL DAY CLOSURE—MONDAY, MAY 28<sup>TH</sup>

### MICHIGAN BLOOD. MICHIGAN LIVES.

This is a time of tremendous need when it comes to blood donations in Michigan. The West Branch District Library is hosting another blood drive in conjunction with Michigan Blood and many other organizations in the area to collect whole blood during the month of May. If you would like to donate or even attempt to donate, you can visit [miblood.org](http://miblood.org) or call the library, and we can get you signed up today! The next blood drive is **Wednesday, May 30<sup>th</sup> from 1-6:30pm**, in the Community Room. If you have questions about donating please contact Michigan Blood at (866)-MIBLOOD. A recovery area will be setup for you after your donation with juice and cookies.



### Movie Night!

Kids in grades 5-8 are welcome for the Let's Discuss JR children's book club! We choose the book. You check it out. Together we will have a fun discussion and see a movie.

**Wednesday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2018 at 5:00pm &  
 Movie Event to follow at 6pm!**

Dinner will be provided

### "The Early Days of Radio in Michigan" by Al and David Eicher

**Thursday, June 21<sup>st</sup> at 6:30pm**

This lecture and multi-media presentation features the first commercial radio stations in Michigan and follows a time line which explores the history of early radio programs. From the mid 1920's, as radio receiver sales soared, we review the classic radio programs of that era and into the 1950's. By 1930, radio listening became an "All American past time". When 1950 came around, more than 200 classic programs had been created by the radio networks. Some of the best shows originated from Detroit and Chicago. This lecture will stimulate many wonderful memories of the early days of radio and display several hundred old photos and movie footage of the characters on radio. Visit [www.michiganhistorylectures.com/al-dave-eicher/](http://www.michiganhistorylectures.com/al-dave-eicher/) for more information about this and many other programs the Eichers produce.



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## Book for Lunch—It's A Wrap *(for the summer)*

The library will be holding it's final Books for Lunch, for the summer, on **Tuesday, May 15<sup>th</sup> at Noon**. Come join in on the conversation, books reviews and good food. If you would like to do a review for this Books for Lunch, just give us a call. You can also sign up for the fall Books for Lunch at a later time.



### Business After Hours

In conjunction with the West Branch Area Chamber of Commerce, the library will be hosting Business After Hours, **May 17<sup>th</sup> from 4:30 to 6:30**. This is a great way to see what the library has to offer, network with Chamber members and learn about the library!



### Summer Reading is coming...

Once again, the library will be hosting its annual Summer Reading Program. The library will be rocking with some great programming, fun events and, as always, the picnic at the park.

Some of the cool events this summer include Joel Tacey and his rocker comedy show, Kevin Kammeraad's music and puppet show, a fun family movie night and escape rooms designed for all ages. Keep watching our Facebook page, look for school visits or information to come home from school soon.

### Calendar of Events

Tues, May 1	1:00pm Tech Tuesday
Wed, May 2	11:00am Preschool Story Time
	5:00pm Let's Discuss Jr.
	6:00pm Wonder Movie Event
Mon, May 7	6:30pm Library Board Meeting
Tues, May 8	1:00pm Tech Tuesday
Wed, May 9	11:00am Preschool Story Time
Thurs, May 10	2:00pm Let's Discuss
Mon, May 14	6:30pm Mid-Michigan Writers
Tues, May 15	12:00pm Books for Lunch
	1:00pm Tech Tuesday
Wed, May 16	11:00am Preschool Story Time
	1:00pm Friends Meeting
Thurs, May 17	4:30pm Chamber After Hours
Tues, May 22	1:00pm Tech Tuesday
Wed, May 23	11:00am Preschool Story Time
Mon, May 28	<b>Library CLOSED</b>
Tues, May 29	1:00pm Tech Tuesday
Wed, May 30	11:00am Preschool Story Time
	1:00pm Michigan Blood Drive

<<Sign-ups begin in June!



### Volunteer!

See a current volunteer in the BookNook for more information.

## BEST SELLERS

### Fiction

SHOOT FIRST—STUART WOODS  
AFTER ANNA—LISA SCOTTLINE  
THE CUTTING EDGE—JEFFERY DEAVER  
CAMINO ISLAND—JOHN GRISHAM  
I'VE GOT MY EYES ON YOU—MARY HIGGINS CLARK  
THE GREAT ALONE—KRISTIN HANNAH  
LITTLE FIRES EVERYWHERE—CELESTE NG  
RED ALERT—JAMES PATTERSON & MARSHALL KARP  
THE RIGHT TIME—DANIELLE STEEL  
BEFORE WE WERE YOURS—LISA WINGATE

### Non-Fiction

KILLERS OF THE FLOWER MOON—DAVID GRANN  
EDUCATED—TARA WESTOVER  
RUSSIAN ROULETTE—MICHAEL ISIKOFF  
I'LL BE GONE IN THE DARK—MICHELLE MCNAMARA  
ASTOPHYSICS FOR PEOPLE IN A HURRY—NEIL DEGRASSE TYSON  
SECRET EMPIRES—PETER SCHWEIZER  
FIRE AND FURY—MICHAEL WOLFF  
A BRIEF HISTORY OF TIME—STEPHEN HAWKING

“The closest thing we will ever come to an orderly universe is a good library.”  
-Ashleigh Brilliant