

March 2025

Alpena County George N. Fletcher Public Library



Between the Stacks



211 N. First Avenue, Alpena, MI 49707
989.356.6188 www.alpenalibrary.org

Delayed Opening

March 12th, the
library will open
at 10 AM.



BIRDING PHOTO- SHARE & STORIES

Attendees can show up to 10 of your favorite birding pictures and the stories behind them. Sharing pictures is not required. Come to watch, listen, and chat with your fellow birders.



March 15th,
2:00 - 3:00 PM

A) email your pictures to mrjoneshelp@gmail.com

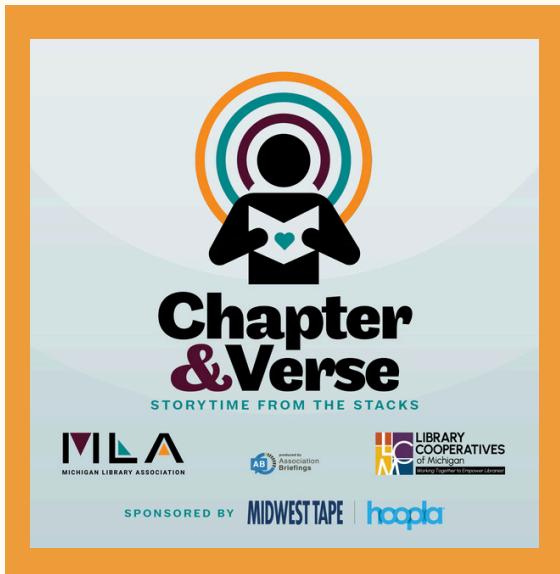
B) Show up a bit early to the event with the pictures on a flashdrive (USB memory stick).

To make sure everyone has time to share, please only include 10 or fewer pictures. If you have even 1 picture you've taken, please share - we would love to see it!



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Attention Podcast lovers!

Hosted by the Michigan Library Association and the Library Cooperatives of Michigan, Chapter & Verse: Storytime from the Stacks features dedicated Michigan library workers and their inspiring stories. Each episode welcomes a library worker from one of Michigan's 11 cooperative regions to share their most interesting and inspiring experiences. New episodes will premiere on the second Thursday of each month. Chapter & Verse is sponsored by [Midwest Tape](#) | [hoopla](#).

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2025-26 Great Michigan Read

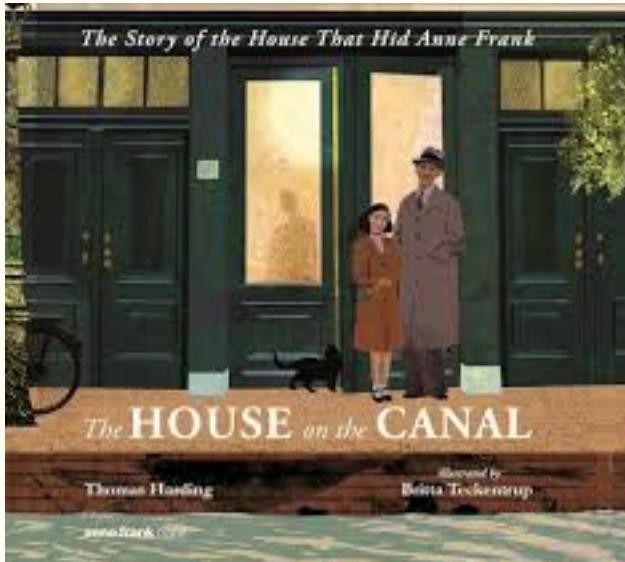
Everything I Learned, I Learned in a Chinese Restaurant
a memoir
Curtis Chin

Michigan Humanities
GREAT MICHIGAN READ

Stonewall Honor Book—Israel Fishman Non-Fiction Award

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“A Pinch of Green” Recs

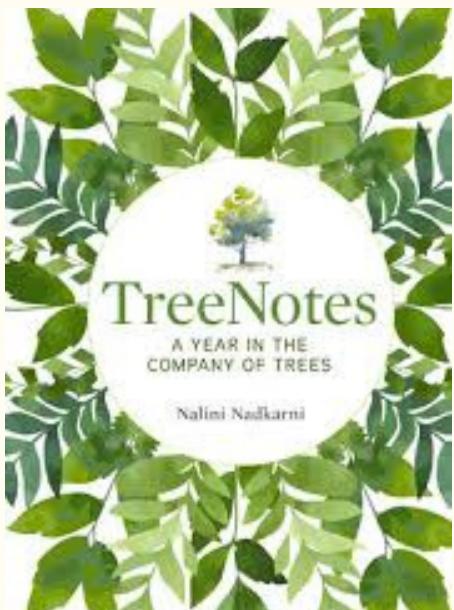
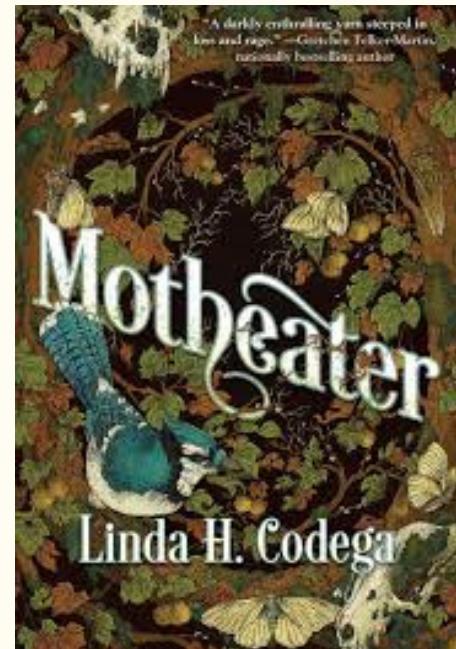


J Non-Fiction:

In the middle of Amsterdam is a house on a canal with a green door. Over four hundred years, it has quietly witnessed love, desperation, and historic change. Sometimes the narrow house was splendidly decorated, humming with life and love; other times, it stood empty, in near ruins.

Adult Fiction:

In this nuanced queer fantasy set amid the Appalachian Mountains in Virginia, the last witch of the Ridge must choose sides in a clash between industry and nature..



Nonfiction:

TreeNotes comprises more than 45 brief essays, organized by season. Chapters roam from big questions to the particular; for instance:

How Many Kinds of Trees Are There? Trees and Lightning, Tree Pollen, The Baobab Tree, Mistletoe, and a Conductors' Batons

February 2025

Friends of the Library

Are you looking for volunteer openings?
Anyone interested can email
friends@alpenalibrary.org or stop by during
bookstore hours. Volunteer hours may
expand with evening hours in April.

The Friends of the Library board members
are always looking for enthusiastic,
knowledgeable people to help us help our
Library. If this is something that interests you,
we would love to have you join us.



March 2025

March Programs

Storytime Puppet Show
Mar. 1st 11-11:30 AM All Ages

Meet a library puppet and hear their stories! Crafts and activities will follow the puppet's story. Not an APS sponsored event.

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Pokemon Club
Monday, Mar. 3rd, 17th, & 31st 5 - 6 PM

Trade Cards! Deck Battles! Battle on the Switch!

Meet in Stillion. 211 N. First Ave
Not an APS Sponsored Event

MURDER MYSTERY
Solve the Murder at the Dive Bar

Can you figure out who did it?
Study the crime scene evidence, case map, suspect profiles, interviews with witnesses, autopsy report, investigation notes, and much more.

Must have a group of 2-5 players set before you register a time. The library will not assign groups. To register call 989-356-6188 ext 11.

March 28th
Only 4 time slots available. One group per slot.
9:30-11:30, 12-2, 2:45-4:45, 5-7
Ages 18+, Free

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Resume Help
Get 1 on 1 help with making or updating a resume.

March 11th - 14th, 12 - 1 PM

Bring in resume on a USB stick or access it via email. Resume help will run at the library computer lab or more privately with a laptop in the lounge area.

Completed/resumes will be saved to the participant's drive or emailed to you for access. For physical prints, it costs .20 a page.

RESUME

FAMILY BINGO

SATURDAY, MAR. 22ND 1 - 2 PM
For everyone
JOIN US
GAME | PRIZE

Not an APS Sponsored Event

ALPENA COUNTY George N. Fletcher

DND One-shot
with Cassia

March 22nd, 3:30-6:00 pm
Ages 12-18

Only 6 spots are available. Link to register: <https://bit.ly/3Bzir3>

Start and finish a shorter Dungeons and Dragons campaign through one-shot. The program is open to first-time D&D players and those who have campaign experience.

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Visit the library events calendar for all of our upcoming programs!

Dr. Tom's
**Words & Music
at the Library**

Free show / Tip Jar
goes to READ adult
literacy program



**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 12
NOON TO 1 P.M.**

A Tale of 17 Cities

No, I won't do "I Left My Wallet in El Segundo." But I will do "I Wish't I Was in Peoria" and 16 other tunes with a city in the title. You'll recognize many. Possibly not the one about Alpena, written by Jake and Elwood Blues the year they worked summer jobs in the Huron Portland Cement kiln room. The others have been recorded many times, and were standards in one time or place or another. Chattanooga's on the list, but no choo-choo. There's a London song, but no foggy day or werewolves. Canada's song is not from Toronto or Montreal.

We'll have fun. No map necessary.



**Edible
Sculptures**



Tweens/Teens will build edible sculptures within the challenge guidelines. A tween winner and a teen winner will receive a prize! Sculptures can be eaten afterward. Registration recommended at <https://bit.ly/406tkJg>.

March '25

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
						1 Puppet Storytime 11-11:30 AM
	Adult Programs	Teen/ Tween Programs	Youth Programs	Everyone!		
2	3 Pokemon Club 5 - 6 PM	4 Early Connections 10 - 11 AM Sewing Club 1:30 - 3 PM TAB Meeting 4 - 5 PM	5 Tot Spot 10 - 11:30 AM Open MakerLab 10 AM - 12 PM Paws to Read 5 - 6 PM	6 Weekly Storytime 9:15 - 10 AM	7	8 Scrapbooking Class 9 AM - 9 PM
9	10 Lego Club 5 - 6 PM	11 Early Connections 10 - 11 AM Resume Help 12 - 1 PM Tinker Tuesday 4 - 5:30 PM	12 Library Opens at 10 AM Words & Music 12 - 1 PM Resume Help 12 - 1 PM	13 Weekly Storytime 9:15 - 10 AM Resume Help 12 - 1 PM	14 Resume Help 12 - 1 PM Beyond Differences 5 - 6:45 PM	15 Birding Photography Class 2 - 3 PM
16	17 Pokemon Club 5 - 6 PM	18 Early Connections 10 - 11 AM Sewing Club 1:30 - 3 PM Musician: Troy Graham 6 - 7 PM	19 FOL Bookstore 10 - 2 Open MakerLab 10 AM - 12 PM Paws to Read 5 - 6 PM	20 Weekly Storytime 9:15 - 10 AM Hockey Storytime 6 - 6:30 PM	21 Teen/Tween Edible Sculptures 5 - 6 PM	22 Family Bingo 1 - 2 PM
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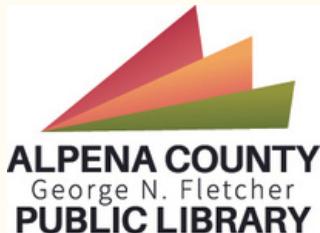
Free AARP Tax Aide 2025

By Appointment Only

- Alpena area: 989-278-8104
- Hillman area: 989-278-8104
- Hale area: 989-257-2460
- Oscoda area: 989-278-8739
- East Tawas area: 989-218-9186



Call To Make An
Appointment



Monday 9-7pm, Tuesday 9-7pm
Wednesday 9-7pm, Thursday 9-7pm
Friday 9-7pm, Saturday 9-4pm
Sunday CLOSED, Holidays CLOSED

Located in downtown Alpena, the Alpena County George N. Fletcher Public Library was established in 1967 as a county library. Dedicated to serving as a regional gathering place for learning and quality cultural experiences, the Library also acts as a primary resource for historical research, enrichment opportunities, and educational support. The Library is committed to building a reading community while providing quality arts, culture, STEM, and humanities programming unique to this area of the state.