

# NORTHVILLE DISTRICT LIBRARY F·R·I·E·N·D·S

SPRING 2025

BUILDING A STRONG RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE LIBRARY AND THE NORTHVILLE COMMUNITY

## MAY IS MEMBERSHIP MONTH

Thank you to our existing 170 members for your dedication and support! Because of your generosity, the Friends can continue to enhance the relationship between the NDL and the community.

The Friends of the Northville District Library (FNDL) is a non-profit organization dedicated to supporting the Northville District Library by volunteering, acting as advocates for the library, and through fundraising efforts. The annual Friends membership dues help raise funds to sponsor various activities, events, and programs throughout the year. Some of these include:

- Adult evening programs
- Annual scholarships to NHS seniors
- Annual Bookmark Contest
- Battle of the Books for middle school students
- Fall tote bags for youth
- Local Author Fair
- Summer Reading Programs

Please consider joining the Friends or renewing your membership so that we can continue to provide these opportunities for our wonderful patrons. When you join/renew in May, or anytime this year, your membership will be valid through December, 2026 (the membership year will be changing to follow the calendar year beginning on January 1, 2027). There are different levels of membership, and all new and renewal members receive a \$5.00 gift certificate to the Book Cellar. In addition, your Friends membership is tax-deductible. Membership forms can be downloaded from the library's website, and there is also a PayPal option.

The Friends meet one evening per month during the school year (no meeting in January). There are also different ways for members to contribute their time and talents: managing programs, assembling craft kits, serving on committees, and volunteering as needed at special events. For more information, please see our pages on the library's website or contact [northvillelibraryfriends@gmail.com](mailto:northvillelibraryfriends@gmail.com).

## BOOKMARK CONTEST



The Friends are once again sponsoring a bookmark contest for Northville youth ages 5 - 12. Entry forms will be available at the Information Desk beginning Friday, August 29th. Colored pencils or markers can be used for the drawing. (No crayons please). The winning design(s) will be printed and revealed at our Cider on Sunday event in October.

## USED BOOK SALE

**Saturday, May 17, 2025 from 10:30 AM - 2:30 PM**

The Friends will hold a used book sale on Saturday, May 17, 2025 featuring Military History books, in honor of National Armed Forces Day. This sale will be held outside on the Library's covered patio, from 10:30 AM to 2:30 PM.





## FRIENDS SPONSORED EVENTS

### 101 THINGS THAT HAPPENED ON THE MACKINAC BRIDGE



**Thursday, May 15 at 6:30 PM**

Join us in welcoming Mike Fornes, who will tell us about 101 things that happened on the Mackinac Bridge. Take a trip through the first six decades of the bridge's history and you'll experience unusual crossings, triumphs and tragedies.

Parades of vehicles and pedestrians have crossed over the Mackinac Bridge and flotillas of ships have passed under it. Hear the stories, see the photos and meet the people who have made this engineering wonder a symbol of the state of Michigan.

Registration for this event opens Tuesday, April 15 at 10 AM.

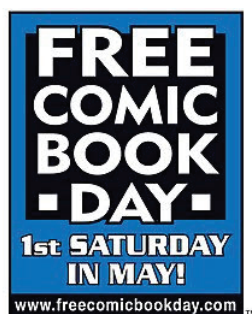
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*Special thanks to these "Over & Above" Donors*

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## FREE COMIC BOOK DAY 2025

Saturday, May 3 from 11 AM – 2 PM  
Join us for the biggest event in the comic book industry – a single day devoted to free comic books for all ages! Supplies limited. Sponsored by the Friends of Northville District Library. Drop In.



## LIBRARY OF THINGS

Coming Soon to the Library of Things collection these games will be available for two week check outs. They were made possible by donations in memory of Rick Nork.



## 2025 BATTLE OF THE BOOKS WINNERS

The winning team for 2025 was The Reads Mill Page-Triots, a clever team name. Creativity reigns with these groups who compete to read a select list of books and then answer questions during the competition. Always well attended, the Friends are proud to support our middle-schoolers in this popular event.





## GIFT BOOK DONATIONS

If you would like to honor someone in your life who is celebrating a milestone or whose memory you wish to honor, consider donating a gift book or CD to the library.

You choose the amount and select the subject matter. Librarians carefully select the item(s) based on your suggestions. The honoree is recognized with a bookplate placed in each item. All donations are listed in the Library's semi-annual newsletter and in the Gift Book Registry located at the library. Donations made between 3/1/24 and 8/31/24:

### *In Memory of:*

Marti Drieman by Bob and Valerie Griffith

Jeannine Davidson by Josephine Sillanpaa

Nicholas LeRoi Buzette by Anonymous – We Love You, Nick  
His Favorite Cousin  
A Friend  
His Loving Family  
His Mom, Kim Buzette

Carolyn Blanchard by Jane Smiley

Hilda Schwelnus by Friends of the Northville District Library

Jean Hansen by Friends of the Northville District Library

Rick Nork by Mr. and Mrs. Roger Kempa

Scott Frush by Friends of the Northville District Library

Janet Heath-Morgan by Jan Wilhelm (9 Foreign Films)

### *In Honor of:*

Phyllis Stengel's 93rd Birthday by Jackie Stengel

Betty Kaiser's Retirement from the Friends of the NDL Board  
by Friends of the NDL

Robert G. Griffith's 82nd Birthday by The Hartigan Family

In Honor of All Volunteers in the Book Cellar by Larry and  
Kathy Duggan

### *Gift Books to Honor Volunteers of the Month, with Thanks*

MONTH:	VOLUNTEERS:	BOARD MEMBERS:
SEPTEMBER	Barb Ulbrich	Cindy Frango
OCTOBER	Alan Somershoe	Claire Kreher
NOVEMBER	Larry Duggan	Linda Schwelnus
DECEMBER	Dorothy Youmans	Kimberly Meisel
JANUARY	Don McCulloch	Racha Alchommali
FEBRUARY	Pam Unsworth	Kathy Fox

## USED BOOKS

Donations of gently used materials are accepted in the bin on the front porch of the library. The Friends accept used books, DVDs, music CDs, and puzzles. Puzzles must be gently used and in the original box. We cannot accept VHS tapes, encyclopedias, or books that are stained, musty or mildewed. For large donations please contact us at [northvillelibraryfriends@gmail.com](mailto:northvillelibraryfriends@gmail.com) Thank you for supporting the library with your donations!

## BOOK CELLAR HOURS

**Monday:** 11 AM - 5 PM and 6:30 PM -8:30 PM

**Tuesday closed**

**Wednesday:** 11 AM - 5 PM and 6:30 PM -8:30 PM

**Thursday:** 11 AM - 5 PM

**Friday:** 11 AM - 4:45 PM

**Saturday:** 11 AM - 2 PM

**Sunday:** 2 PM - 4 PM

## SUMMER READING PROGRAM

The 2025 program, Color Our World, begins on Monday, June 2 for all age groups. All participants can use the Beanstack app or get paper logs at the Information Desk.



Participation is always enthusiastic and we can see why with activities like these for kids: Kindermusik, Family Tie Dye, Magician Josh Wild, Stuffed Animal Creation Workshop, Reptarium, Magic Carpet Theatre and Parent Child Drawing. In addition to prizes and decorations, there will be a Summer Reading Finale Party with a bounce house and an obstacle course.

Teens will receive a prize for finishing their challenge and will be entered into the Teen Grand Prize Raffle.

Adults who read for 1200 minutes will receive a gift card and an entry into the Adult Grand Prize Drawing.

The Summer Reading Programs for all age levels are funded by the Friends.



Scan the QR code with your device's camera app to be taken to PayPal and donate directly to the Friends.

Thank you for your generous support!





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