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LIBRARY LEDGER

Summer 2011 Edition



Sign Up for KDL's Summer Reading Club, June 13 – August 6

This year, KDL invites the entire family to join us for a summer of reading and fun. Explore the world with books, fun programs, and more as we celebrate cultures from across the globe. Complete your reading goals for a chance to win fabulous prizes including gift certificates, gadgets, and more.

One World, Many Stories
For kids through grade 5

Featuring Baby Bingo for babies 0-18 months!

A banner for the 'One World, Many Stories' program. It features a colorful, stylized elephant on the right and a small image of a baby bingo card on the left. The text is in a playful, multi-colored font.

YOU ARE HERE
For teens grades 6-12

Win a \$100 mall gift certificate!

A banner for the 'YOU ARE HERE' program. It features a young man and woman reading books. The text is in a bold, black font with a white outline.

NOVEL DESTINATIONS
FOR ADULTS

WIN A NOOK COLOR eREADER!

A banner for the 'NOVEL DESTINATIONS FOR ADULTS' program. It features a sunset scene with a building. The text is in a bold, white font with a black outline.

Visit your local KDL branch location to sign up, or visit www.kdl.org for more information.

This Month

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KDL Director's Letter

Summer Reading and Early Literacy

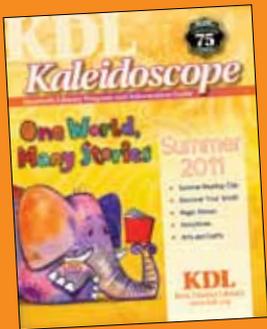
Summer is here, and for many area children this means time off from the daily rigors of school – but that doesn't mean that learning and discovery have to end. With KDL's popular Summer Reading Club program, along with early literacy initiatives such as our KDLville play-centers, we're working hard to ensure children are given the opportunity to learn and grow all year long. Studies show that children who read during the summer typically score higher on tests when returning to school, and one of our primary goals is to provide parents and caregivers the tools needed to help their children succeed in school and in life.

As the new Director of the Kent District Library, I'm very proud to join in KDL's tradition of excellence in early literacy programs for young children. Having worked in libraries for 13 years, I have seen the impact that library services can have on young children as they begin to develop their learning skills. Learning begins at birth, and children exposed to books and reading at an early age tend to achieve greater success in school, which often leads to success later in life. I strongly believe in the value libraries offer their communities and I am committed to ensuring that the Kent District Library provides quality library services that enrich the lives of our community members.

This season, I invite you to explore all of the great programs and activities KDL has to offer and encourage you to learn something new at your local library.

Sincerely,

Lance Werner – KDL Director



Pick up a copy of the latest **KDL Kaleidoscope**, a seasonal library event and resource guide. Available at all KDL branch locations.

Disney



Online @ KDL

Interactive storybooks and more

If you have a young reader in your life, then give these interactive book resources a try. Access almost 700 Disney Digital Books, including classics like *Dumbo* and *Cinderella*, as well as new favorites like *Phineas and Ferb* and *Wall-E*. Read along silently or select words or phrases to be read aloud – perfect for the beginning reader.



And don't forget to check out KDL's online TumbleBook Library, featuring a variety of interactive titles brought to life with animation and sound.

Whether learning to read or just reading for fun, give these cool resources a try! Click on the "Interactive Books" link in the "Parents and Kids" section of www.kdl.org to get started.



Information • Ideas • Excitement!

Celebrating 75 Years

This year marks the 75th Anniversary of the Kent District Library, and we're celebrating with a number of special initiatives all year long to chronicle the journey. From 1936, when the Kent County Board of Supervisors officially established the Kent County Library, to today, we'll be highlighting some of the key milestones, achievements, and challenges we've encountered along the way. Please join us in our celebration and visit www.kdl.org for more information.



A Kent County Library bookmobile makes a stop at a local schoolhouse (1950s)

The Short List:

Join us this season for exciting events and programs for all ages. Children are invited to explore different languages with KDL's **Around the World** program, get face-to-face with animals at the **Animal Crackers Petting Zoo**, or discover new ways to have fun with **Games Around the World**. Teens can learn new moves with a **Salsa Dance** or **Zumba** program or discover cool craft ideas with **Steam Punk Junque**. Adults are invited to join a friendly **book discussion**, attend a **computer class**, or take the family to one of our many **summer concerts**. There's something for everyone this summer @ KDL!

Visit www.kdl.org and click on the "Events" tab for a full list of upcoming programs and events.



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KDL eNewsletter

For all the latest library news and event information, subscribe to the monthly KDL eNewsletter at www.kdl.org.

Now Available at KDL Bestselling books, music and more

Books:

Dead Reckoning
by Charlaine Harris

A Time for Patriots
by Dale Brown

Buried Prey
by John Sandford

10th Anniversary
by James Patterson

Music:

Born this Way /
Lady Gaga

This is Country Music /
Brad Paisley

Matthew Morrison /
Matthew Morrison

Hot Sauce
Committee Part 2 /
Beastie Boys

For these and more, visit www.kdl.org to search our online catalog.



BRANCH HOURS

**Kent District Library
Service Center / Admin. Offices**
814 West River Center NE
Comstock Park 49321
Phone: 616-784-2007

KDL Branch Closings:

Monday, July 4 – Closed for Independence Day.
All KDL branches will be closed on Sundays from Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day weekend.

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Alpine Township Branch

5255 Alpine Ave. NW, Comstock Park 49321

OPEN HOURS

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	12:00 to 8:00	9:30 to 5:00	12:00 to 8:00		1:00 to 5:00	9:30 to 1:30

Alto Branch

6071 Linfield Ave., Alto 49302

OPEN HOURS

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		9:30 to 1:30	12:00 to 8:00	12:00 to 8:00	1:00 to 5:00	9:30 to 1:30

Byron Township Branch

8191 Byron Center Ave. SW, Byron Center 49315

OPEN HOURS

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	12:00 to 8:00	9:30 to 8:00	9:30 to 5:00	12:00 to 8:00	9:30 to 5:00	9:30 to 5:00

Caledonia Township Branch

6260 92nd St. SE, Caledonia 49316

OPEN HOURS

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		12:00 to 8:00	12:00 to 8:00	9:30 to 5:00	1:00 to 5:00	9:30 to 5:00

Cascade Township Branch

2870 Jacksmith Ave. SE, Grand Rapids 49546

OPEN HOURS

SUN*	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	9:30 to 8:00	9:30 to 8:00	9:30 to 8:00	9:30 to 8:00	9:30 to 5:00	9:30 to 5:00

* Closed Sundays in summer (Memorial Day to Labor Day).

Comstock Park Branch

3943 W. River Dr. NE, Comstock Park 49321

OPEN HOURS

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	9:30 to 8:00	12:00 to 8:00	9:30 to 5:00	12:00 to 8:00	1:00 to 5:00	1:00 to 5:00

East Grand Rapids Branch

746 Lakeside Dr. SE, East Grand Rapids 49506

OPEN HOURS

SUN*	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	9:30 to 8:00	9:30 to 8:00	9:30 to 8:00	9:30 to 5:00	9:30 to 5:00	9:30 to 5:00

* Closed Sundays in summer (Memorial Day to Labor Day).

Englehardt Branch

200 N. Monroe St., Lowell 49331

OPEN HOURS

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	12:00 to 8:00	12:00 to 8:00	12:00 to 8:00	9:30 to 5:00	9:30 to 5:00	9:30 to 1:30

Gaines Township Branch

421 68th St. SE, Grand Rapids 49548

OPEN HOURS

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	12:00 to 8:00	9:30 to 8:00	9:30 to 5:00	12:00 to 8:00	9:30 to 5:00	9:30 to 5:00

Grandville Branch

4055 Maple St. SW, Grandville 49418

OPEN HOURS

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	9:30 to 8:00	9:30 to 8:00	9:30 to 8:00	9:30 to 8:00	9:30 to 5:00	9:30 to 5:00

Kentwood Branch

4950 Breton SE, Kentwood 49508

OPEN HOURS

SUN*	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	9:30 to 8:00	9:30 to 8:00	9:30 to 8:00	9:30 to 8:00	9:30 to 5:00	9:30 to 5:00

* Closed Sundays in summer (Memorial Day to Labor Day).

Krause Memorial Branch

140 E. Bridge St., Rockford 49341

OPEN HOURS

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	9:30 to 8:00	12:00 to 8:00	9:30 to 5:00	12:00 to 8:00	9:30 to 5:00	9:30 to 5:00

Plainfield Township Branch

2650 5-Mile Rd. NE, Grand Rapids 49525

OPEN HOURS

SUN*	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	9:30 to 8:00	9:30 to 8:00	9:30 to 8:00	9:30 to 8:00	9:30 to 5:00	9:30 to 5:00

* Closed Sundays in summer (Memorial Day to Labor Day).

**Sand Lake/
Nelson Township Branch**

88 Eighth St., Sand Lake 49343

OPEN HOURS

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	12:00 to 8:00	9:30 to 5:00	12:00 to 8:00		1:00 to 5:00	9:30 to 5:00

Spencer Township Branch

14960 Meddler Ave., Gowen 49326

OPEN HOURS

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		12:00 to 8:00	1:00 to 5:00	12:00 to 8:00		9:30 to 1:30

Tyrone Township Branch

43 S. Main St., Kent City 49330

OPEN HOURS

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		12:00 to 8:00	9:30 to 5:00	4:00 to 8:00	1:00 to 5:00	9:30 to 1:30

Walker Branch

4293 Remembrance Rd. NW, Walker 49544

OPEN HOURS

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	9:30 to 8:00	9:30 to 8:00	9:30 to 5:00	9:30 to 8:00	9:30 to 5:00	9:30 to 5:00

Wyoming Branch

& the Library for the Blind
and Physically Handicapped
3350 Michael Ave. SW, Wyoming 49509

OPEN HOURS

SUN*	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	9:30 to 8:00	9:30 to 8:00	9:30 to 8:00	9:30 to 8:00	9:30 to 5:00	9:30 to 5:00

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Check out our website at:
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616-784-2007 — 18 locations, 1 convenient phone number.
Long distance call 1-877-243-2466.

Join us Online!

