



## Welcome 2022!

Wow, what a challenging, yet rewarding, year 2021 was here at Fennville District Library. We experienced the excitement and joy of having our director Teresa named MLA Public Librarian of the Year for the state of Michigan, and the heartbreak of the loss of our beloved trustee and friend of the library, Marlynn Starring.

This past year staff and patrons alike adjusted gracefully to the changes in the day-to-day in-person operations, and we were delighted to start to see familiar faces once again.

While some programming remained virtual throughout 2021, we were very happy to bring back in-person summer programs, art camp, craft week, and book club. This January some of our favorite programs are back to-in person as well as some newly added weekly and monthly events. Story Time, Music and Movement, and LEGO Lab have returned. New to the lineup are Little Scientists, STEAM Scouts, and Teen Library Council. Be sure to check out the [Youth](#) and [Teen](#) pages for more details.

Providing more technology options to our patrons was one of the biggest additions in 2021. With the funds received by the ALA COVID Emergency Relief Grant, we updated patron computers, added hotspots for circulation, and 50 new [Launchpad tablets](#). If you aren't familiar with Launchpad, come in and check out what we have available. For ages 3 to adult, these user friendly tablets are preloaded with age appropriate games, puzzles, math, reading, language building, STEAM activities, brain games, practice tests and more!

Another fun way to experience a book is with one of our pre-loaded children's audiobooks. [VOX Books](#) look and read like a regular hardcover book, with the exception of having a small speaker with a pre-recorded narration of the text. This is a great way for kids to read along to their favorite stories. We have selections in English and Spanish!

Don't forget your technology on-the-go! Gain access to thousands of ebooks, audiobooks and magazines through the Libby app. You not only have access to the Lakeland Library Cooperative with your library card, but also to three other cooperatives in the state. Follow our online instructions, call, or come see us in person if you need help setting up your account. You can also keep track of your library account and checked out materials with the LLC app. It's like having a live circulation desk right in your pocket!

Like I said, what a year 2021 was. Our hope is to build on the positive momentum as we soar into 2022. We thank you for the continued patronage and support of your local library and we will see you again soon!

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Monday - Thursday 10 am - 8 pm  
Friday 10 am - 5 pm  
Saturday 10 am - 2 pm  
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# New FOR YOU IN 2022!

## STORY TIME ~ MONDAYS WEEKLY @ 10:30 AM

Reading aloud is one of the best things you can do to help your child learn to read in the future, and we're here to help! Join Miss Anna each Monday morning for a fun story time, full of tales of wonder, puppets, songs, and lots of friends! You'll always leave happy you came! **Recommended for ages 0-5**

## LEGO LAB ~ 2ND MONDAY OF THE MONTH @ 3:00 PM

Do you love LEGO? Do you love experiments and challenges? Then this is the program for you! Once a month, we'll meet to have some LEGO fun, but this isn't just a free-for-all. You'll be presented with a problem, and you'll need to use the bricks you're given to solve it! Are you up for the challenge? **Recommended for ages 6 - 12**

## LITTLE SCIENTISTS ~ 2ND WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH @ 10:30 AM

STEAM isn't just for people in school! Explore science, technology, engineering, art, and math with your littlest family members once a month at this fun event. Each program will feature multiple exploration stations centered around a specific theme. This program is tailored to the littlest scientists of the world. **Recommended for ages 0-5**

## STEAM SCOUTS ~ THURSDAYS WEEKLY @ 3:00 PM

Join the team and explore STEAM at this weekly event for school-age youth. Each week we'll do a new science, technology, engineering, art, or math activity, but don't think this is just an extended school day. These activities are fun, and most of the time, you'll have a cool project at the end that you can take home with you! **Recommended for ages 6-12**

## FRIDAYS WEEKLY @ 10:30 AM

Libraries aren't just for books! We also want to help you stay active and have fun! Join Miss Abi each Friday morning for a song and dance-filled music and movement program. By the time you leave, you'll be glad naptime is just around the corner! **Recommended for ages 0-5**

FUTURE READS >>>>

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ABI'S PICKS



THE DOG DAYS OF winter?

PICTURE BOOK  
*City Dog, Country Frog*  
by Mo Willems

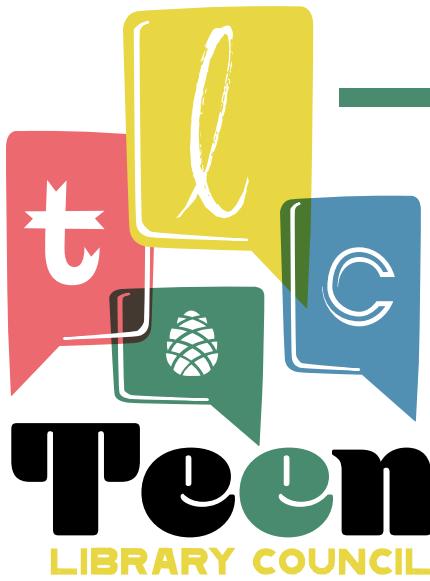
MIDDLE GRADE  
*Shiloh*  
by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor

YOUNG ADULT  
*White Fang*  
by Jack London

# WITCH... WARRIOR... WOMAN

From the moment Sunny Nwazue discovered she had magic flowing in her blood, she sought to understand and control her powers. She has had to navigate the balance between nearly everything in her life—America and Nigeria, the “normal” world and the one infused with juju, human and spirit, good daughter and powerful Leopard Person.

Now, those hard lessons and abilities are put to the test in a quest so dangerous and fantastical, it would be madness to go...but deadly not to. With the help of her friends, Sunny embarks on a mission to find a precious object hidden deep in a magical realm. Defeating the guardians of the prize will take more from Sunny than she has to give, and triumph will mean she will be forever changed.



**WHO?** – Any students in grades 8-12 can join the council. Interested parties can also run for offices within the council, like President, Vice President, Secretary, Historian, and Activities Director.

**WHAT?** – Attend monthly meetings, help library staff develop and promote programs and services, suggest books and other materials for library purchase, set goals and work with other team members to achieve them.

**WHEN?** – The Teen Library Council meets on the first Tuesday of the month starting at 3:30.

**WHERE?** – Downstairs in the Library Board room.

**Join the Teen Library Council to help make the library the best place it can be for you!**

**WHY?** – Members are able to make an impact on teen services at the library, receive volunteer hours, develop marketable leadership skills, credentials for future job and college applications, and you can have a fun time with other teens!

**HOW?** – Fill out the application, and the TLC staff advisor will contact you!



If you have questions, contact Abi Avery by email at [aavery@llcoop.org](mailto:aavery@llcoop.org) or by phone at 269-561-5050

GRAPHICS CORNER  
*dragons!*

# BOOK ONE *moonfall* SERIES

An alliance embarks on a dangerous journey to uncover the secrets of the distant past and save their world in this captivating, deeply visionary adventure from #1 New York Times bestselling thriller-master James Rollins.

A gifted student foretells an apocalypse. Her reward is a sentence of death.

Fleeing into the unknown she is drawn into a team of outcasts. On the run, they are hunted by enemies old and new, and must learn to trust each other in order to survive in a world evolved in strange, beautiful, and deadly ways, and uncover ancient secrets that hold the key to their salvation.

But with each passing moment, doom draws closer.

***“An action-filled fantasy quest that is gripping and thought-provoking. The high stakes and smooth writing made it a page turner... As in his thrillers, he includes science, historical secrets, and suspense.” ~ Mystery & Suspense Magazine***

## Movie Preview...



### MICHELE'S MEDIA

It's hard to believe that it's been 20 years since Harry Potter made it to the big screen. At that point in my life, I was 25 and living the life of a commuting art student at GVSU. I had not yet read any of the books about "the boy who lived," but I was interested. So I went to the theater to see what all of the fuss was about. And that was it... I opened *Sorcerer's Stone* and boarded the Hogwarts Express, entering into a magical world that would make history.

Now, I don't consider myself a fanatic fan. I didn't wait in line for new books while dressed in robes representing my favorite house or go to the midnight viewing while waving a wand practicing fake spells when the new movies came out. I do take ownership of having the books, movies, Nintendo games, and a "few" LEGO sets, so when HBO decided to air a 20-year Hogwarts reunion on the first day of the new year, I did what any fan would do and found my place on Platform 9 3/4 with my trunk packed, ready to go back.

Settled in on the couch, I allowed myself to be swept off with the familiar opening music that brings Hogwarts to life. For nearly two hours, I was transfixed as each movie was touched upon with interviews, conversations, behind-the-scenes looks and outtakes. When it finished, I felt as though I had arrived again for the very first time. With some laughter, tears, and awe, I traveled back with the actors as they shared stories of their 10 years on set together – stories filled with joy, sadness, fear and love.

*Titles subject to change.*

The Women  
of the Copper  
Country

by Mary Doria  
Russell

In July 1913,  
twenty-  
five-year-  
old Annie

Clements had seen enough of the world to know that it was unfair. She's spent her whole life in the copper-mining town of Calumet, Michigan where men risk their lives for meager salaries—and had barely enough to put food on the table and clothes on their backs. The women labor in the houses of the elite, and send their husbands and sons deep underground each day, dreading the fateful call of the company man telling them their loved ones aren't coming home. When Annie decides to stand up for herself, and the entire town of Calumet, nearly everyone believes she may have taken on more than she is prepared to handle.

In Annie's hands lie the miners' fortunes and their health, her husband's wrath over her growing independence, and her own reputation as she faces the threat of prison and discovers a forbidden love. On her fierce quest for justice, Annie will discover just how much she is willing to sacrifice for her own independence and the families of Calumet.

From one of the most versatile writers in contemporary fiction, this novel is an authentic and moving historical portrait of the lives of the men and women of the early 20th century labor movement, and of a turbulent, violent political landscape that may feel startlingly relevant to today.

Email questions to:  
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DISCUSSION:  
WEDNESDAY,  
FEBRUARY 2  
@ 1:30 PM

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# READ for the Gold!

## CORNER TO THE PAST...

Ancestry Library Edition is available for use at the Fennville District Library. Search multiple databases including:

- **US Federal Census, 1790-1930**  
Complete images, many ever-name census indexes
- **UK Census Collection, 1861-1901**  
Census data and images
- **US Immigration Collection**  
Ships' logs and passenger indexes, linked to images of original documents
- **Vital Records Index**  
Birth, marriage and death records
- **Military Collection**  
WWI draft registration cards - 98% of males under 46 in 1917-18
- **Comprehensive Reference Collection**  
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to attend.