



Luther Community Newsletter

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Library Hours

Monday	10:30am-6:00pm
Wednesday	10:30am-6:00pm
Friday	10:30am-6:00pm
Saturday	10:30am-1:30pm

June 2022

Community Calendar

- June 1 Music at the Purchase Pavilion, Luke Warm, 6pm
- June 2 Fire Board Meeting, Luther Fire Barn, 7pm
- June 5 Lions Breakfast, Luther Lions Club Hall, 9-11am
- June 8 Handfuls of Purpose – Community Food Pantry, Edgetts Wesleyan Church, 10am-12pm
- June 8 Music at the Purchase Pavilion, Frank Blanchard, 6pm
- June 8 Dover Township Board Meeting, 7pm
- June 9 Pine River Area Prayers & Squares Quilting Ministry, Edgetts Wesleyan Church, 10am-12pm
- June 9 Feeding America Food Truck, Luther Lions Club, 3:30pm or earlier
- June 9 Library Board Meeting, 4:30pm
- June 10 Last ½ Day of School for Pine River and Baldwin Schools
- June 13 Sauble Township Board Meeting, 6pm
- June 13 Ellsworth Township Board Meeting, 7pm
- June 14 Elk Township Board Meeting, 7pm
- June 14 Luther Village Council Meeting, 7pm
- June 15 Home Depot Workshop Projects with Father, Luther Library, all day
- June 15 Music at the Purchase Pavilion, Brian Payne Band, 6pm
- June 16 Eden Township Board Meeting, 7 pm
- June 17 Home Depot Workshop Projects with Father, Luther Library, all day
- June 18 Cinema Saturday, Movie: Shang-Chi and the Legend of the Ten Rings, Rated PG-13, 2pm
- June 19 HAPPY FATHER'S DAY!!
- June 21 FIRST DAY OF SUMMER!!
- June 21 Feeding America Food Truck, Edgetts Wesleyan Church, 10am-12pm
- June 21 Newkirk Township Board Meeting, 7pm
- June 22 Lions Supper, Luther Lions Club Hall, 5-7 pm
- June 22 Music at the Purchase Pavilion, Sam Cronkhite, 6pm
- June 22 Painting Party, Luther Library, RSVP, 6pm
- June 22 Peacock Township Board Meeting, 6:30 pm
- June 23 Pine River Area Prayers & Squares Quilting Ministry, Edgetts Wesleyan Church, 10am-12pm
- June 25 Story Hour, Luther Library, 11am-12pm
- June 29 Music at the Purchase Pavilion, Michelle Brimm & Friends, 6pm

WEEKLY: Senior Citizens Center – Mon.- Thurs. – Salad 11am, Lunch, 11:30am
Wednesdays – BINGO, 9:30am-11am

Edgetts Wesleyan Church – Fridays – Family Game Night, 6pm – When Finished
North Bar – Sundays – Queen of Hearts Drawing at 7pm

Library News

- In leading up to our Annual Book Sale, the Luther Library will be having a Special Book Sale featuring **all paperbacks**. Going on every day in June, come to the library to see what will be available. Only \$.25 per book or fill a plastic bag for \$1.00.
- The Library will be hosting its **Annual Book Sale** during **Luther Days Festival** on July 1-2. There will be some great deals on books and other items.
- Monthly Board meeting, Thursday, June 9th, at 4:30pm. Public always welcome!!
- Calling all Fathers!! For Father's Day, the library has a number of **Home Depot Workshop Projects**. While supplies last, bring you hammer and your child all day on June 15th and 17th to work on one of the available projects.
- This month's FREE Cinema Saturday movie will be *Shang-Chi and the Legend of the Ten Rings*, Rated PG-13. Pop and snacks will be available starting a 2pm, on Saturday, June 18th. All movies are funded by a grant from the Lake County Community Foundation.
- **Painting Party** at the Library on Wednesday, June 22, starting at 6pm. Must be 18 years or older. Cost is FREE. Registration will begin June 1st by calling the library during open hours, however you must have your RSVP in by the end of the day on June 17th to participate.
- Come to the Library on June 25th for **Story Hour!** Preschool and school age children are welcome to come to the library from 11am – noon.
- The **Summer Reading Program** will soon be upon us. Our theme this summer is "*Oceans of Possibility*." Programming runs from July 6 through August 13. Come into the library to register or call 231-797-8006. Many fun activities are planned and you can win prizes by participating. Come join in the FUN!

New Library Services

The Luther Area Public Library is proud to offer two new services to its patrons:

1. If you have a computer disc, DVD, music disc, or game disc that is scratched and needs repair and/or cleaning, the library has a new Disc Repair Machine, thanks to Great Lakes Energy and their People Fund Grants. Bring your scratched disc into the library and for a small fee of \$2 per disc, we will clean it to the best of our ability.
2. The library is now offering 6 new Verizon Hotspots for patron checkout. A hotspot is a small device you can use to connect a wireless enabled device, such as a laptop, smartphone or tablet to the internet. Hotspots are portable, so you can connect your device to the internet almost anywhere you are, like at a home, in town or in the park. The hotspot device works in any area covered by the Verizon network.

To be eligible to check out a hotspot from the library, a user must:

- Be a library card holder in good standing with no outstanding charges, or missing items, and have a current account.
- Be at least 18 years of age with a valid driver's license or state ID with current name and address.
- Read, understand, and sign the Hotspot Lending/Borrower Agreement.
- The hotspots are funded by the federal Emergency Connectivity Fund (ECF) and can only be provided to patrons who declare they do not have access to the equipment or services sufficient to access the internet.

If you feel that you meet the eligibility requirements for checking out a device, please come to the library to check one out. Hotspots will be checked out on a first come, first serve basis for a period of 3 weeks, with up to one renewal if there is **not** a waiting list.

Luther Lions Club

- Monthly Breakfast will take place on Sunday, June 5, from 9 am – 11 am. Adults \$10, Children 6-12 \$5, and under the age of 6 are FREE. **Please note the change in prices.**
- The walking club and Tai Chi are done for the summer. Look for information for fall start up dates.

- Feeding America Food Truck will arrive on June 9. Line begins at 3:30pm or earlier.
- Lions Club Dinner will be held on June 22, from 5pm – 6:30pm. Adults \$12, Children 6-12 \$6, and under the age of 6 are FREE. This will be a celebration for all Fathers in honor of Father's Day. Menu is grilled chicken, potato salad and beans. **Please note the change in prices.**

Luther Days Association

- Queen of Hearts Drawing for Luther Days Association is held every Sunday at 7:00pm at North Bar. Tickets may be purchased at any time during the week.

Luther Senior Center News

The Luther Senior Center is open for **lunch** on Monday through Thursday. Salads are served at 11am with lunch starting at 11:30am. Please call Lorraine at 989-289-2023, a day in advance, so we can have enough food for everyone. Bingo will be held on Wednesdays from 9:30am to 11am until further notice.

Edgetts Wesleyan Church

- Handfuls of Purpose – Community Food Pantry, June 8th, from 10am – 12pm. Please note the change in time.
- Edgetts Wesleyan Church is giving out a truck load of food! A Feeding America food truck will be coming to the Church on Tuesday, June 21st, from 10am – 12pm. There will be no Community Food Pantry the following day.
- Family Game Night every Friday starting at 6pm until finished

Pine River Area Prayers & Squares Ministry

This ministry will be starting back up and meeting on June 9th and 23rd at the Edgetts Wesleyan Church from 10am – 12pm. All are Welcome to join. Material donations accepted. For more information contact Barb Fitzgerald at 231-253-4522.

Launching of ReadMichigan.org

A cooperative effort between Library of Michigan and the presses of University of Michigan, Michigan State University and Wayne State University has launched a unique collection of regional ebooks available to all residents of Michigan. The ReadMichigan.org statewide eBook collection initially consists of 300 eBooks published by local university presses about Michigan and the Great Lakes region.

The homegrown collection includes winners of the prestigious Michigan Notable Books award as well as other important books published by Michigan presses and authors. Residents and visitors to the state of Michigan can access these eBooks (with no wait lists or hold) via geolocation at any time at **www.ReadMichigan.org**. Michigan Humanities has provided important financial support and is also a founding partner of the project.

Young Adult Services – Michigan Works!

If you are between 16 to 24 years of age, about to graduate from high school, and are looking for employment, Michigan Works! West Central's Young Adult Services Program can help you gain the skills necessary to succeed. On-the-job training and work experience are a few of the opportunities available. For more information, contact your local Michigan Works West Central office or stop by the library for their brochure. The Baldwin office is open from 8am to 5pm, Monday – Friday, or visit their website at **mwmc.org/youth**.

YouthWork is Recruiting for Summer 2022!

Like being outside and getting things done for your community? Want to earn money and serve in some of the most beautiful places in the world? Join YouthWork! YouthWork is taking applications for young adults ages 17-26 to join their summer conservation corps. Not only will you earn money and a scholarship, you will have an unforgettable experience—all while you learn vital skills, protect the environment, and support your community. To learn more, visit their website at **cfsnwm.org/youthwork**.

FREE COVID-19 Tests from the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services

The Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) has procured a limited number of COVID-19 at-home (Over the counter/self-test) tests to partner with agencies who can assist in increasing access to COVID-19 testing resources. This program aims to increase access to free COVID-19 testing resources for individuals, families and communities who may otherwise struggle with access to healthcare resources, be hesitant to visit a COVID-19 testing location or may lack the funds necessary to purchase at-home test kits for themselves or their families. The **Luther Area Public Library** is one of those agencies.

1. Who can receive a test?

Tests may be provided to anyone interested in receiving a free test kit. Library will ask for address only for distribution purposes only. This information will not be kept nor shared with anyone.

2. How many tests can one person receive?

Library staff may provide one test kit per person in a household **daily**, up to 5 people.

Ex. 1: Mary states that they have 4 individuals in their household; therefore library staff can provide Mary with 4 COVID-19 at-home test kits for her household.

Ex. 2: Mark states that he has 8 people in his household. Library staff will be limited in providing only 5 test kits to Mark for his household due to supply limitations.

3. Does the library staff have trained individuals on how to use these tests?

No. MDHHS has provided written documentation explaining how to use, when to use, and what to do when receiving a positive or negative test result. Library staff **CANNOT** administer tests, nor provide any further directions for their use. Patrons are responsible for self-reporting and will be provided with the information on the handout sheet and the QR code on the kits.

Affordable Connectivity Program for Internet Service

The Affordable Connectivity Program is an FCC program that helps connect families and households struggling to afford internet service.

The benefit provides:

- Up to \$30/month discount for internet service;
- Up to \$75/month discount for households on qualifying Tribal lands; and
- A one-time discount of up to \$100 for a laptop, desktop computer, or tablet purchased through a participating provider.

A household is eligible if one member of the household meets at least one of the criteria below:

- Has an income that is at or below 200% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines;
- Participates in certain assistance programs, such as SNAP, Medicaid, Federal Public Housing Assistance, SSI, WIC, or Lifeline;
- Participates in Tribal specific programs, such as Bureau of Indian Affairs General Assistance, Tribal TANF, or Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations;
- Is approved to receive benefits under the free and reduced-price school lunch program of the school breakfast program, including through the USDA Community Eligibility Provision;
- Received a Federal Pell Grant during the current award year; or
- Meets the eligibility criteria for a participating broadband provider's existing low-income program.

Affordable Connectivity Program enrollment opened on December 31, 2021. Eligible households can enroll through a two-step enrollment process. (1.) Going to [ACPBenefit.org](https://www.fcc.gov/affordable-connectivity-program-providers) to submit an application or print out a mail-in application and (2.) Contact your preferred participating broadband provider

(<https://www.fcc.gov/affordable-connectivity-program-providers>) to select an eligible plan to have the discount applied to your bill.

To learn more about the Affordable Connectivity Program call **877-384-2575**, or visit the website at [fcc.gov/acp](https://www.fcc.gov/acp).

JUNE 2022

MONDAY 06/06/22	TUESDAY 06/07/22	WEDNESDAY 06/08/22	THURSDAY 06/09/22	FRIDAY 06/10/22
PEPPERONI PIZZA COLESLAW APPLESAUCE	COUNTRY FRIED ST MASHED POTATOES GRAVY/PEAS WHEAT BREAD PEACHES	SPAGHETTI W/MEAT BALLS & SAUCE VENETIAN BLEND GARLIC BISCUITS TROPICAL FRUIT	SOUP OF THE DAY MAH & CHEESE SANDWICH MACARONI SALAD APPLE CRISP	CLOSED
MONDAY 06/13/22	TUESDAY 06/14/22	WEDNESDAY 06/15/22	THURSDAY 06/16/22	FRIDAY 06/17/22
TACOS MIXED VEGETABLES CORN MUFFIN JELLO W/FRUIT	CHICKEN POT PIE SQUASH WHEAT BREAD PINEAPPLE	MEATLOAF MASHED POT/GRAVY FR EAST BLEND WHEAT BREAD PEACHES	SOUP OF THE DAY TURKEY & SWISS SANDWICH POTATO SALAD COOKIES	CLOSED
MONDAY 06/20/22	TUESDAY 06/21/22	WEDNESDAY 06/22/22	THURSDAY 06/23/22	FRIDAY 06/24/22
FISHWICH W/BUN MAC & CHEESE STEWED TOMATOES MANDARIN ORANGES	CHICKEN CORDON BLEU/MASHED POT GRAVY CARIBBEAN BLEND MIXED FRUIT	HAMBURGERS W/BUN POTATO SALAD BAKED BEANS JELLO W/FRUIT	SOUP OF THE DAY TUNA SALAD SANDWICH COLESLAW BLUEBERRY CRISP	CLOSED
MONDAY 06/27/22	TUESDAY 06/28/22	WEDNESDAY 06/29/22	THURSDAY 06/30/22	FRIDAY 07/01/22
PORK RIBLET W/BUN HASH BROWNS GREEN BEANS MIXED FRUIT	CHICKEN STRIPS AUGRATIN POTATOES CHALET BLEND MUFFIN PINEAPPLE	SWEDISH MEATBALLS MASHED POT/GREAVY MIXED VEGETABLES WHEAT BREAD PEARS	SOUP OF THE DAY CHICKEN SALAD SANDWICH POTATO SALAD COOKIES	CLOSED
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