

Happy  
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# 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

## May 2022

### Community Calendar

- May 1 Lions Breakfast, Luther Lions Club Hall, 9-11am  
May 5 American Red Cross Blood Drive, Pine River High School, 9:15am-1:45pm  
May 5 Fire Board Meeting, Fire Hall Barn, 7pm  
May 7 Karaoke with Jen May, North Bar  
May 7 Free Bicycle Light Giveaway by Baldwin Rotary Club, Luther Library, 11am  
May 7 Annual Luther Proud (Fireworks) Fundraiser, Lions Club, doors open at 5pm  
May 8 HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!!  
May 9 Ellsworth Township Board Meeting, 7pm  
May 9 Sauble Township Board Meeting, 6pm  
May 10 Elk Township Board Meeting, 7pm  
May 10 Luther Village Council Meeting, 7pm  
May 11 Handfuls of Purpose -- Community Food Pantry, Edgetts Wesleyan Church, 10am-12noon  
May 11 Dover Township Board Meeting, 7pm  
May 12 Library Board Meeting, Luther Library, 4:30pm  
May 14 Music by Luke Warm and the Not so Hots, North Bar  
May 15 Blessing of the Bikes, Baldwin Municipal Airport, \$5 per person, gate opens at 9am  
May 17 Newkirk Township Board Meeting, 7pm  
May 19 Eden Township Board Meeting, 7pm  
May 21 Cinema Saturday, Movie: *Sing 2*, Rated PG, 2pm  
May 21 May Birthday Party (Adult Prom), Music by J&B Beats, North Bar  
May 25 Handfuls of Purpose -- Community Food Pantry, Edgetts Wesleyan Church, 10am-12noon  
May 25 Peacock Township Board Meeting, 6:30pm  
May 25 Lions Supper, Luther Lions Club Hall, 5-7pm  
May 28 Story Hour, Luther Library after the parade  
May 28 Music by Yesterday's Wine, North Bar  
May 28 MEMORIAL DAY PARADE!! at 11am  
May 30 MEMORIAL DAY!!  
May 30 Library Closed for MEMORIAL DAY!!

- 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** – Tuesdays – Euchre at 6:30pm  
Sundays – Queen of Heart Drawing at 7pm  
**Luther Lions Club** – Mondays – Indoor Walking, 11am-1pm  
Tai Chi, 1-2pm  
Thursdays – Indoor Walking, 11am – 1pm

## Library News

- The Baldwin Rotary Club will be giving away FREE lights for bicycles, while supplies last, on Saturday, May 7<sup>th</sup> from 11am to 1pm.
- Monthly Board meeting, Thursday, May 12<sup>th</sup>, at 4:30pm. Public always welcome!!
- This month's FREE Cinema Saturday movie will be *Sing 2*, Rated PG. Pop and snacks will be available starting a 2pm, on Saturday, May 21<sup>st</sup>. All movies are funded by a grant from the Lake County Community Foundation.
- Come to the Library on May 28<sup>th</sup> for Story Hour after the parade! Preschool and school age children are welcome to come to the library from 11am – noon.

## 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 will soon be 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. Items 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. Otherwise, patrons will be placed at the bottom of the waiting list.

## Hot New Items

The following are a few new titles added to the library, recently. Come check them out!!

### For Adults:

*Unwanted* by C.J. Petit

*Angels Flight* by Michael Connelly

*A Time for Mercy* by John Grisham

*The Beginning* by Beverly Lewis

*The Cold Dish* by Craig Johnson

*Texas Outlaw* by James Patterson

*A Delicate Touch* by Stuart Woods

*How to Live Longer and Feel Better* by Linus Pauling

*How to Build Birdhouses and Feeders* by Stephen Moss

For Younger Readers from The Pilcrow Foundation and Sponsors:

*A Piglet name Mercy* by Kate DiCamillo

*Click, Clack, Surprise!* by Doreen Cronin

*Ada Twist and Perilous Pants* by Andrea Beaty

Endling series by Katherine Applegate

*9 From the Nine Worlds* by Rick Riordan

*Patricia's Vision: The Doctor Who Saved Sight* by Michelle Lord

*Guts* by Seymour Simon

*Horses* by Seymour Simon

*The Science of Fashion* by Julie Danneberg

*Snoozefest* by Kyi Tanya Lloyd

New DVDs & Audiobooks:

*J. Edgar*

*Harvey*

*The 100 – the seventh and final season*

*We Bought a Zoo*

*Jungle Cruise*

*Peter Rabbit*

*Pirates of the Caribbean – Dead men tell no tales*

Luther Lions Club

- Monthly Breakfast will take place on Sunday, May 1, from 9 am – 11 am. Emphasis on Mother's Day. Adults \$10, Children 6-12 \$5, and under the age of 6 are FREE. **Please note the change in prices.** Regular Breakfast with special corned beef hash and cinnamon rolls in honor of Mother's Day. Mothers will receive a flower when they come in.
- Bring your walking shoes! The Lions Club is open for indoor walking on Mondays and Thursdays from 11am to 1pm.
- New! New! Come join us for a TAI CHI class. Class is at 1pm on Mondays. There is a fee of \$2 or free if you belong to the Silver Sneakers.
- Lions Club Dinner will be held on May 25, from 5 pm – 7 pm. Adults \$12, Children 6-12 \$6, and under the age of 6 are FREE. Check the Luther Lions Club Facebook page for menu details. **Please note the change in prices.**

Luther Days Association

- On Saturday, May 7, at 5:00 pm, come to the Luther Lions Club for the Annual Luther Proud Fundraiser Dinner (previously known as the fireworks fundraiser). Dinner is provided with musical entertainment by Yesterday's Wine. \$10 donation is being asked for at the door. Dinner starts at 6pm. Auction starts at 7pm with the beloved Willie Holmes for our entertainment!!
- Queen of Hearts Drawing for Luther Days Association, every Sunday at 7:00pm. 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.

***Life doesn't come with a manual. It comes with a mother. – Unknown***

### **American Red Cross Blood Drive**

The American Red Cross will be having a Blood Drive at the Pine River High School, 17445 Pine River School Road, in LeRoy, on Thursday, May 5<sup>th</sup> from 9:15am to 1:45pm. This event is sponsored by the Pine River High School National Honor Society. For an appointment visit **RedCrossBlood.org** and enter **sponsor code: PineRiverHS** or call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767).

### **Blessing of the Bikes in Baldwin**

The 50<sup>th</sup> Annual Blessing of the Bikes! to be held Sunday, May 15, 2022, at the Baldwin Municipal Airport on M-37. No Pets. No Alcohol. \$5 per person at the Gates. Gates open at 9am with the actual Blessing at 1:15pm. For more information call Bruce at (616) 893-3542 or Tracy at (616) 916-6218.

### **Pine River Preschools**

- Are you looking for a Preschool? Pine River Preschools are accepting applications for the 2022-2023 school year, over the phone and/or in person. These programs are offered at NO COST for children 3 to 5 years old and their families that qualify.
- Call Heather Peffer at 231-349-9420 to schedule an appointment, over the phone or in person.

### **Edgetts Wesleyan Church**

- Handful of Purpose – Community Food Pantry, May 11<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>, from 10am – 12pm. Please note the change in time.
- Family Game Night every Friday starting at 6pm until finished

### **Pine River Area Prayers & Squares Ministry**

This interfaith quilt ministry is meeting on May 12<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> at the Edgetts Wesleyan Church from 10am – 12pm. All are Welcome to join. Material donations accepted. For more information contact Barb at 231-253-4522.

### **North Bar Happenings**

- Queen of Hearts Drawing for Luther Days Association, every Sunday at 7:00pm. Tickets may be purchased at any time during the week.
- May 7 – Karaoke with Jen May
- May 14 – Music by Luke Warm and the Not so Hots
- May 21 – May Birthday Party (Adult Prom), Music by J&B Beats
- May 28 – Music by Yesterday's Wine
- Euchre on Tuesdays at 6:30pm
- Every Day lunch specials from 11am – 3pm for \$6

### **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 **mwwc.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).

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<b>MONDAY 05/2/22</b>	<b>TUESDAY 05/3/22</b>	<b>WEDNESDAY 05/4/22</b>	<b>THURSDAY 05/5/22</b>	<b>FRIDAY 05/6/22</b>
BBQ PORK W/BUN SWEET POT FRIES BROCCOLI SALAD JELLO W/FRUIT	CHICKEN POT PIE SQUASH WHEAT BREAD PINEAPPLE	COUNTRY PORK CHOP MASHED POT/GRAVY FAR EAST BLEND ROLL PEACHES	TACOS W/VEGETABLES MIXED VEGETABLES CORN MUFFIN COOKIES	CLOSED
<b>MONDAY 05/9/22</b>	<b>TUESDAY 05/10/22</b>	<b>WEDNESDAY 05/11/22</b>	<b>THURSDAY 05/12/22</b>	<b>FRIDAY 05/13/22</b>
FISH WICH W/BUN MAC & CHEESE GREEN BEANS MANDARIN ORANGES	CHICKEN CORDON BLEU/MASHED POT CARIBBEAN BLEND WHEAT BREAD MIXED FRUIT	HAMBURGERS W/BUN POTATO SALAD BAKED BEANS JELLO W/FRUIT	SLOPPY JOES W/BUN SOUP OF THE DAY PASTA SALAD BLUEBERRY CRISP	CLOSED
<b>MONDAY 05/16/22</b>	<b>TUESDAY 05/17/22</b>	<b>WEDNESDAY 05/18/22</b>	<b>THURSDAY 05/19/22</b>	<b>FRIDAY 05/20/22</b>
PORK RIBLET W/BUN HASH BROWNS SONOMA BLEND MIXED FRUIT	CHICKEN STRIPS AU GRATIN POTATOES CHALET BLEND MUFFIN PINEAPPLE	SWEDISH MEATBALLS MASHED POT/GRAVY MIXED VEGETABLES ROLL PEARS	GRILLED CHICKEN W/BUN SOUP OF THE DAY MAC SALAD COOKIES	CLOSED
<b>MONDAY 05/23/22</b>	<b>TUESDAY 05/24/22</b>	<b>WEDNESDAY 05/25/22</b>	<b>THURSDAY 05/26/22</b>	<b>FRIDAY 05/27/22</b>
BEEF SLIDER W/BUN MAC & CHEESE STEWED TOMATOES PEACHES	HOT TURKEY SAND. MASHED POT/GRAVY PEAS & CARROTS WHEAT BREAD MANDARIN ORANGES	BAKED HAM SWEET POATOES SPINACH CORN BREAD PINEAPPLE	CHICKEN SALAD SANDWICH SOUP OF THE DAY COLESLAW PEACH CRISP	CLOSED
<b>MONDAY 05/30/22</b>	<b>TUESDAY 05/31/22</b>	<b>WEDNESDAY 06/01/22</b>	<b>THURSDAY 06/02/22</b>	<b>FRIDAY 06/03/22</b>
CLOSED MEMORIAL DAY	GOULASH MALIBU BLEND GARLIC TST MIXED FRUIT	SALSIBURY STEAK MASHED POT/GRAVY CARROTS WHEAT BREAD MANDARIN OANGES	PEPPERONIA PIZZA COLESLAW COOKIES	CLOSED

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