

Happy  
mother's  
day

# Luther Community Newsletter

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**Library Winter Hours**  
Monday 10:30am-6:00pm  
Wednesday 10:30am-6:00pm  
Friday 10:30am-6:00pm  
Saturday 10:30am-1:30pm

**May 2023**

## Community Calendar

- May 4 Fire Board Meeting, Fire Hall Barn, 7pm  
May 5 CINCO DE MAYO  
May 5 Michigan Works! West Central Hiring Party, Baldwin Service Center, 10am-2pm  
May 6 Annual Luther Fireworks Fundraiser, Luther Lions Club, 5pm  
May 7 Lions Breakfast, Luther Lions Club Hall, 8:30-10:30am  
May 7 Annual Luther Fireworks Fundraiser, Lions Club, doors open at 5pm  
May 8 Ellsworth Township Board Meeting, 7pm  
May 8 Sauble Township Board Meeting, 6pm  
May 9 Elk Township Board Meeting, 7pm  
May 9 Luther Village Council Meeting, 6pm  
May 10 Handfuls of Purpose – Feeding America Food Truck, Edgetts Wesleyan Church, **10am-12noon**  
May 10 Dover Township Board Meeting, 7pm  
May 11 Pine River Prayers & Squares, Edgetts Wesleyan Church, 10am  
May 11 Feeding America Food Truck, Luther Lions Club, 3pm  
May 11 Library Board Meeting, Luther Library, 4:30pm  
May 14 HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY  
May 16 Feeding America Food Truck, Reed City Church of the Nazarene, 5pm  
May 16 Newkirk Township Board Meeting, 6pm  
May 17 Food Bank, Fellowship Baptist Church in Luther, 10am-12noon  
May 18 Luther Days Association Meeting, Ellsworth Twp. Hall, 6:30pm  
May 18 Eden Township Board Meeting, 7pm  
May 19 Feeding America Food Truck, St. Ann's Lake County Senior Center, 1pm  
May 20 Feeding America Food Truck, Covenant Presbyterian Church, Tustin, 10am  
May 21 Blessing of the Bikes, Baldwin Municipal Airport, \$5 per person, gate opens at 9am  
May 23 Feeding America Food Truck, Grace Luther Church/Big Star Lake Twp. Fire Hall, 11am  
May 24 Handfuls of Purpose -- Community Food Pantry, Edgetts Wesleyan Church, 9am-11am  
May 24 Peacock Township Board Meeting, 6:30pm  
May 24 Lions Supper, Luther Lions Club Hall, 5-6:30pm  
May 25 Pine River Prayers & Squares, Edgetts Wesleyan Church, 10am  
May 25 Cadillac/Feeding American WM Food Truck, Wexford Co. Civic Arena, 2pm  
May 27 Bake Sale for Miss Luther Pageant, North Bar, before and after parade  
May 27 MEMORIAL DAY PARADE at 11am  
May 29 MEMORIAL DAY  
May 29 Library Closed for MEMORIAL DAY

**Our Patrons saved \$78,811.35 by borrowing instead of buying.  
See more Interesting Facts in the Year in Review.**

**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 – Wednesdays – Euchre, 2pm**  
**Sundays – Queen of Hearts Drawing, 7pm**  
**Dex’s Loggers Landing – Sundays – Xtreme Music BINGO, 2-5pm**  
**Bread of Life Food Pantry – Wednesdays – 11am-3pm**

**Library News**

- Monthly Board meeting, Thursday, May 11<sup>th</sup>, at 4:30pm. Public always welcome!!
- This month’s FREE Cinema Saturday movie will be *Shazam: Fury of the Gods*, Rated PG-13. 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.
- If you have a computer disc, DVD, music disc, or game disc that is scratched and needs repair and/or cleaning, bring to the library and for a small fee of \$2 per disc, we will clean it to the best of our ability.
- The library has 6 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.

**2022-2023 Library Year in Review**

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| • 3,343 Adult Visits                     | 13 Movies Shown to 187 Viewers |
| • 2,288 Children Visits                  | 8 Story Hours, 187 Attendees   |
| • 3,027 Books Loaned                     | 6 Summer Reading Programs,     |
| • 2,976 Music CDs and DVDs Loaned        | 193 Attendees                  |
| • 578 E-books Borrowed                   | Crafts                         |
| • 786 Computer Use Sessions              | CPR Class                      |
| • 243 Internet Use Sessions              | Scavenger Hunts/Guessing Games |
| • 61 New Cards                           | Take It & Make It              |
| • 1,293 New Items Added                  | Book and CD Sales              |
| • 1,575 MelCat Items Borrowed and Loaned | Bake Sales                     |

Do you know about **Libby**? Libby is a free app that allows you to borrow e-books, magazines, and audiobooks from the Up North Digital Collection. With a library card in good standing, items may be read through an internet browser or downloaded onto a computer or digital device (Kindles, iPads, smartphones, etc.) Come to

the library to get started today! Now, five other library collections in Michigan are available to search, request, and borrow materials. For more information, come to the library.

### **Luther Lions Club**

- Monthly Breakfast will take place on Sunday, May 7, from 8:30am – 10:30am. Celebrating all Moms at this breakfast. Adults \$10, Children 6-12 \$5, and under the age of 5 are FREE. **Please note the change in prices.**
- Feeding America Food Truck will arrive on May 11. Line begins at 3pm.
- Lions Club Dinner will be held on Wednesday, May 24, from 5 pm – 6:30pm. 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.**
- The Lions Club will be having a Flea Market/Yard Sale, on Saturday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>, from 9am-6pm, and Sunday June 4<sup>th</sup>, from 10am-5pm. Reserve your space now. Space size is 10'x12' per space for the 2-day event of \$25. Limited RV spaces are available for a fee of \$30. Pay by check to pre-register/pre-pay. All spaces are on a first come basis and non-refundable. If sale is cancelled on scheduled date, it will be rescheduled. Sale will be Outdoors, with setup on Friday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>, from 4-8pm. Donations of select, good items will be taken from people who do not want a space. Donated items include 14' aluminum fishing boat with 9.5 hp motor, paddle boat, aluminum canoe, and bunk beds. For more information, contact Linda at 503-799-3105, or find a registration form for more details, and sign-up.

### **Luther Days Association**

- On Saturday, May 6, at 5:00 pm, come to the Luther Lions Club for the Annual Luther Fireworks Fundraiser. Dinner starts at 6pm. Auction starts at 7pm with the beloved Willie Holmes for our entertainment. Auction items are needed. Call Melanie Davis at 231-388-1082 about donations.
- Bake Sale to benefit Miss Luther Pageant, on Saturday, May 27<sup>th</sup>, before and after the parade outside North Bar. Interested in making a donation, contact Theresa at 231-396-9311
- 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.

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

The 51<sup>st</sup> Annual Blessing of the Bikes! to be held Sunday, May 21, 2023, 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 1:00pm. For more information call Marlene at (231) 745-2550.

### **Lake County Dog Licenses**

If you need to get a dog license and live in Lake County, it is now being done online. Visit [midoglicense.org/lake](http://midoglicense.org/lake) to obtain your dog license, today.

### **District Health Department #10**

DHD #10 offers a free, voluntary, home visiting service to pregnant moms, and new parents, of Lake County. Services must begin before the child is 3 months old, and they can continue to receive visits until the child turns 4 years old. Prenatal support, family goal planning, child development resources, trusted support, and much more are provided with this service. For more information, call (231) 745-4663, or visit the office at 5681 S. M-37, Baldwin, MI 49304.

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

### Pine River Preschools

- Are you looking for a Preschool? Pine River Preschools are accepting applications for the 2023-2024 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.

### Fellowship Baptist Church

The Fellowship Baptist Church has a monthly Food Bank on May 17<sup>th</sup>, from 10am-12noon. For more information call the Church at 231-797-5281 and leave a message.

### Edgetts Wesleyan Church

- Edgetts Wesleyan Church is giving out a truck load of food! A Feeding America food truck will be coming to the Church on May 10<sup>th</sup>, from 10am – 12noon. **Please note the time difference from the food pantry time.** For more information call 231-797-5124.
- Handful of Purpose – Community Food Pantry, May 24<sup>th</sup>, from 9am – 11am. **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 11<sup>th</sup> and 25<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.

### Feeding America Food Trucks

- Luther Lions Club (Drive Thru) – Thursday, May 11, 2023 at 3pm  
1003 N. State Rd., Luther, MI 49656
- Reed City Church of the Nazarene (Walk Up) – Tuesday, May 16, 2023 at 5pm  
5300 220<sup>th</sup> Ave., Reed City, MI 49677
- Seniors Only, Lake County Meals (Drive Thru) – Friday, May 19, 2023 at 1pm  
St. Ann's Lake County Senior Center  
690 9<sup>th</sup> Street, Baldwin, MI 49304
- Covenant Presbyterian Church (Drive Thru) – Saturday, May 20, 2023 at 10am  
108 W. Church St., Tustin, MI 49688
- Grace Lutheran Church/Big Star Lake Twp. Fire Hall (Drive Thru) – Tuesday, May 23, 2023 at 11am  
8636 M-37 South, Baldwin, MI 49304  
**(NOTE: Change of address during the warmer months is at the Church)**
- Cadillac/Feeding America WM at Wexford Co. Civic Arena – Thursday, May 25, 2023 at 2pm  
1320 N. Mitchell Street, Cadillac, MI 49601

### Lake County Area Churches Charities, Bread of Life Food Pantry

The Lake County Area Churches Charities, Bread of Life Food Pantry at 740 E. 9<sup>th</sup> St., in Baldwin, is open every Wednesday from 11am-3pm. For more information call (231) 287-4869 and leave a message.

### Michigan Works! West Central

Hiring Parties Are Back for 2023!! There will be a Hiring Party at the Baldwin Service Center at 5252 M-37 on May 5<sup>th</sup> from 10am-2pm, and a number of other places. Hot dogs will be served, along with many job opportunities. For more information, as an employer, or a job seeker, visit their website at [www.mwwc.org/hiringparty](http://www.mwwc.org/hiringparty).

*No act of kindness, no matter how small, is ever wasted. – Aesop*

### YouthWork is Recruiting for Summer 2023

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 [www.cfsnwm.org/youthwork](http://www.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.

*Be the reason  
Someone smiles,  
Be the reason  
Someone feels loved  
And believe in the  
Goodness in people.  
-Roy T. Bennett*

Note: This Community Newsletter is accurate to the best of our ability and knowledge. If you, or your organization, would like an event posted, please contact the Library by the last week of each month. Please feel free to pass along contact information for reminders.

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Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/LutherLibrary/>

# MAY 2023

MONDAY 05/01/23	TUESDAY 05/02/23	WEDNESDAY 05/03/23	THURSDAY 05/04/23	FRIDAY 05/05/23
TACOS W/VEGIES MIXED VEGIES CORN BREAD PECHES	BAKED CHICKEN CHEESEY POTATOES MIXED VEGIES WHEAT BREAD MIXED FRUIT	SALISBURY STEAK MASHED POTATOES GRAVY/CARROTS WHEAT BREAD MANDARIN ORANGES	TORTELLINI W/SAUCE CALIFORINA BLEND CRISP	CLOSED
MONDAY 05/08/23	TUESDAY 05/09/23	WEDNESDAY 05/10/23	THURSDAY 05/11/23	FRIDAY 05/12/23
BRUNCH	SPAGHETTI W/SAUCE MEATBALLS VENETIAN BLEND GARLIC BISCUITS PEACHES	BAKED HAM SWEET POTATOES SPINACH CORN BREAD PINEAPPLE	CHEESE RAVIOLI W/SAUCE SONOMA BLEND MUFFIN COOKIES	CLOSED
MONDAY 05/15/23	TUESDAY 05/16/23	WEDNESDAY 05/17/23	THURSDAY 05/18/23	FRIDAY 05/19/23
GOULASH MALIBU BLEND GARLIC TOAST PEARS	CHICKEN STRIPS/ AUGRATIN POT CHALET BLEND MUFFIN PINEAPPLE	MEATLOAF MASHED POT/GRAVY SQUASH ROLL PEACHES	FISH WICHW/BUN MAC & CHEESE STEWED TOM CRISP	CLOSED
MONDAY 05/22/23	TUESDAY 05/23/23	WEDNESDAY 05/24/23	THURSDAY 05/25/23	FRIDAY 05/26/23
TUNA MELT/ CHICKEN SALAD FRIES COLESLAW PEACHES	CHICKEN CORDON BLEU/MASHED POT GRAVY CARIBBEAN BLEND WHEAT BREAD MIXED FRUIT	LASAGNA W/SAUCE MIXED VEGIES PEARS	CHICKEN ENCHLADAS W/SAUCE GREEN BEANS COOKIES	CLOSED
MONDAY 05/29/23	TUESDAY 05/30/23	WEDNESDAY 05/31/23	THURSDAY 06/01/23	FRIDAY 06/02/23
SLOPPY JOES W/BUN PASTA SALAD MIXED VEGIES MIXED FRUIT	SCALLOPED CHIX GREEN BEANS CALIFORNIA BLEND MIXED FRUIT	SWEDISH MEATBALLS OVER NOODLES GRAVY MIXED VEGIES ROLL PEARS	HAMBURGERS W/BUN POTATO SALAD BAKED BEANS CRISP	CLOSED

Please contact Lorraine at 989-289-2023, a day in advance, so we can have enough food for everyone.

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