

PRESCHOOL & EARLY CHILDHOOD REGISTRATION **ENROLL** NOW!!!



Interested in having your child attend a high quality preschool or early childhood center? Applications for the **Great Start Readiness** Program or Early Childhood preschools are still being taken for Menominee County children ages 0-4. Registration days have already occurred in Menominee, Hermansville. Stephenson, & Carney, but appointments can still be made for interested applicants by calling your local elementary school or (906) 863-5665 ext. 1046.



# **Menominee County Great Start** Parent Coalition MENOMINEE



August/September 2017

Great Start Parent Newsletter







## 2ND ANNUAL ADVENTURE COURSE: July 2017







Our 2nd Annual Adventure Course was on July 25th from 4:30-6:30 p.m. This fundraiser supports our Imagination Library free books program! Children participated in this fun-filled course which took them through Spies Library and outdoors through themed activities based on children's books. Thank you to everyone who participated!

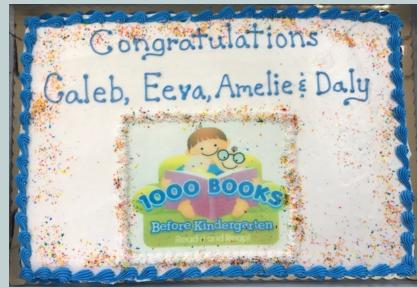






# <u>1000 Books B4 Kindergarten Graduates!</u>

Congratulations to the four children who have completed the 1000 book challenge at Spies Public Library in Menominee! This huge accomplishment sets these children up for a successful educational experience for the rest of their lives. If you are interested in signing your child up, please contact Spies Public Library by stopping by or calling 906.863.3911







Concerned about your child's development? Ages 0-5? Call the Intermediate School District to schedule a FREE evaluation! Your child may qualify for our FREE services:

- $\Rightarrow$  Speech Therapy
- $\Rightarrow$  Occupational Therapy
- $\Rightarrow$  Physical Therapy
- $\Rightarrow$  And More!

These services are not based off of your income! Early intervention is key to your child's future successes!

> Call now! 805-863-5665



## Menominee County Parent Coalition



**Calling all parents!** We are looking to revive our Parent Coalition. The parent coalition is made up of parents interested in helping programs for the young children (ages 0-8) in our area. You can help as much or as little as your schedule allows! NO education or experiences required (other than being a parent!) Join our meetings!

#### We have two new goals for the next few years!

**Goal 1:** The Great Start Parent Coalition actively builds Relationships with service providers and families by highlighting services and events and sharing resources when possible.

**Goal 2:** The Great Start Parent Coalition recognizes the unique parenting challenges experienced by families with children who have special needs and/or are in crisis by connecting families with resources.

We hope to have some parents who have some input in these above areas join us and share their experiences, but it is not a requirement!

Those who attend receive:

- Childcare or Childcare reimbursement (varies)
- ♥ Mileage
- ♥ Lunch or Dinner included if meeting is at a meal time

Call **906-863-5665 ext.1046** or email at jmacdonald@mc-isd.org if you are interested in joining us!

Like our Facebook page: Great Start Parent Coalition Menominee County





#### 1000 BOOKS BEFORE KINDERGARTEN PROGRAM:

Free to children before they enter Kindergarten! Register at Spies Public Library at any time or call for more info.!



### READ FROM BIRTHI Too few parents get this message. Too few understand the window of rapid brain development that begins at birth. Begin reading to your newborn and continue throughout their early childhood years!



## Places to Go & Things to Do -- Fall 2017

#### Libraries



**Spies Public Library** *Menominee, MI*. Story Hour on Thursdays at 10:30

Menominee County Library Stephenson, MI Story Hour on Fridays at 10:00

<u>Bookmobile</u> Throughout Menominee County, see schedule listed <u>Stephenson Library</u> Marinette, WI Visit website for program guide: http://marinettecountylibraries.org/library/marinette/ <u>YMCA Events</u>- Please call the Y at 906-863-9983

Afterschool Programs; Five sites total in Menominee, Marinette and Peshtigo. Educational enrichment, activities and physical play are available. All participants must pay an enrollment fee of just \$40; after that, YMCA members are free and the general public is just \$3 a day or \$10 a week. People may contact Joe Plautz for more information, joe@mmymca.org.

**Gymnastics/Tumbling/Ninja Classes:** Programs are available for boys and girls who are walking up to 18 years old. People may also rent the gymnastics center for parkour or cheerleading practices (ages 12-18). Minimum of five paying participants. **Swimming Programs:** Available for children six months and



older. Class times and days vary, and are available to a variety of skill levels. **Salvation Army-** Call Marla 715-735-7448

Youth Center: Open to all youth ages 6-17. Homework assistance, table games, crafts, darts, foosball, pool table, air hockey, ping pong and more. Located at 76 Russell St., Marinette

Open: Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri. 2:30-6 PM & Wed 2:30-7 PM Farmers Markets:

**M&M Farmers Market:** previously known as the Menominee County Farm and Food Exchange, has moved to M&M Plaza, Menominee, in the vestibule of Mighty Pet. Open from 9 AM to Noon, Saturdays.

**Farmers Market:** Held by the Menominee Historic Downtown Farmers Market Association every Saturday from 9AM to Noon, at the corner of 1st St & 8th Ave, Menominee. Empowering classes are held twice a month at the Menominee Senior Center from 6-7:30 PM. Market accepts a variety of payment options.

Marinette Market on Stephenson Island: Market hours are Fridays, from 2-6 PM. Market will continue through October as weather permits. Dance Lessons:

Ist Street Academy of Dance: Located at 521 1st Street, Menominee. Email fsadance@gmail.com for more information.

**Bay Area Academy of Dance:** Located at 2545 Roosevelt Road, Marinette. Call 715-923-2309 for more information.





### **GREAT START PARENT &** CHILD



### **PLAYGROUPS**

Fall & Winter playgroups will be held at Spies Public Library.

10:30—noon on most Mondays (call 906-863-5665 ext. 1018 or go to our website for details).



### AREA FALL EVENTS CONT...

North Country Kickers Dance Club: Equity Hall, Hwy 64, West of Marinette. Lessons will be held weekly on Wednesdays at 7PM through Nov. 15th. . Cost is \$4 for non-club members per lesson. All ages welcome. Partners are not required. For more information, people may call Charles Bishop, 920-530-4373, or Sharllotte Swanson, 715-735-5548.

### **Upcoming Dates**

September 18 Parent/Child Playgroup 10:30-12 Great Parents, Great Start at Spies Public Library

September 23rd:



Getzloff Corn Maize Opens today! Located at NI5891 County Road 551, Wilson. Activities include; Corn Maze, Pumpkin patch, Hay rides, corn sandbox, super slide, farm animals, concessions. Contact 906-399-0525.

Giant Pumpkin Festival: Menominee Historic Waterfront Giant



Pumpkin Festival will be held at Marina Park, Menominee. Events include pie eating competition, jump around bouncy fun, pumpkin seed spiting contest, food and craft vendors, farmers market, live music, and the Giant Pumpkin Regatta Boat Race. For applications for the Giant Pumpkin Race

people may email giantpumpkinfestival6@gmail.com.

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#### September 25th

Y-Walk Sock Hop: 8:15-8:45 AM Participants are asked to get dressed up, wear fancy socks, hats, outfits, etc. and go for a walk! Healthy snacks and punch will be served after.

YMCA Babysitting Certification: American Safety and Health



Institute Child and Babysitting Safety Course, held from 9AM-3PM, for ages 10-21. \$50 includes one course and lunch provided. Registration is open now at the welcome desk. People may contact ivys@mmymca.org for more information. September 30th

Swedish Pancake Supper and Fall Harvest Bake Sale: Held from 4:30-6:30 PM Bethel Lutheran Church, 1309 14th Ave, Menominee. Traditional Swedish Pancakes with lingonberries, sausage, fruit and beverage. Requested donation of \$6 per adult and \$3 per child ages 5-12.

Children younger than 5 eat free. A fall harvest bake sale and children's activity table well also be featured. Proceeds will support local community members who are in need. Everyone is welcome!



#### **October 4th:**

#### Milwaukee Symphony Orchestra Concert:

Held at 7:30 PM at Blesch Auditorium in Menominee. Cost is \$25 for adults, \$10 for students in grade school through college. Tickets are available at the M&M Chamber of Commerce, Jack's Fresh Market, and Menominee County Library in Stephenson.

October 9th <u>Parent/Child Playgroup</u> 10:30-12 at Spies Public Library October 16th <u>Parent/Child Playgroup</u> 10:30-12 at Spies Public Library October 21st <u>Oktoberfest:</u>

Hosted by Saint Thomas Aquinas Academy in the high school gym, 1200 Main Street, Marinette. Doors open at 5 PM, dinner is served from 5:30 to 7:30. Tickets are available at the school offices or call 715-735-7481. Dinner tickets are 12.50 for adults and 7.50 for children 5-12, ages 4 and younger are free. A special activity area for the children will have crafts and games.

#### October 27th

### YMCA Freaky Friday 5K Run/Walk and Children's 1/2 Mile:

Held at 5:30 PM. Participants will get spooked on the route and are invited to dress up. Participants should register for \$20 by Oct. 10th at the Y to be guaranteed a shirt. People may call 906-863-9983 for more information to register. **October 28th** 

#### Wolf Pack Run 5KRun/Walk and Children's 100m Dash:

Carney-Nadeau High School. 10 AM, registration begins at 9. Children's Dash for 10 & under. \$20 with t-shirt (\$10 without), \$25 after Oct. 20th. Discounts for families of three or more. Call 906-280-7088 for more information.

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**YMCA Turkey Trot 5K Run/Walk:** Held at 8AM Thanksgiving morning. A free community event to get hearts pumping before turkey dinner. People may call 906-863-9983 for more information to register.

#### **November 24th**



**YMCA Babysitting Certification:** American Safety and Health Institute Child and Babysitting Safety Course, held from 9AM– 3PM, for ages 10-21. \$50 includes one course and lunch provided. Registration is open now at the welcome desk. People may contact ivys@mmymca.org for more information.

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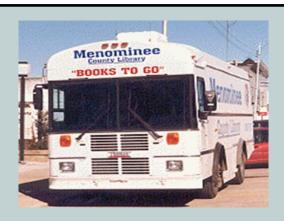
# Menominee County Bookmobile Schedule

#### The Menominee County Bookmobile will be making the following stops for the month of September 2017:

Tue. Sept. 5	Carney- Nadeau School	9:00 to 1:30
Wed. Sept. 6	Stephenson Elementary School-Early Elem.	10:00 to 11:30
	41 Apartments-Wallace	1:15 to 1:30
	Country Corner Daycare Community Stop, County Road G-08	1:45 to 2:00
	Tammy Raether Home	
	Behnke Home on Rangeline Road	2:15 to 2:45
	Holy Redeemer Church (Parking lot on Birch Creek Rd.)	3:00 to 4:00
Thu. Sept. 7	County Road 557 Community Stop (John Blahnik Home)	11:30 to 12:00 CT
	Hannahville Soaring Eagle School	1:30 to 2:45 ET
	Hannahville Elder Complex	2:50 to 3:20 ET
	Wilson Community Stop-Dave Pfeiff Home/J&D Gas Station	3:00 to 4:00 CT
Fri. Sept. 8	Maple Aire Apartments, Stephenson	10:00 to 10:30
	Erica's Big House Daycare, N 8567 Meintz Rd, Stephenson	1:15 to 1:30
	Cedar River Plaza Community Stop	1:45 to 2:15
	Clairmont's Community Stop (Todd Clairmont Home, M35)	2:30 to 3:00
	Sunilla's Community Stop (S-N-3 Drive and Elmwood Rd.)	3:30 to 4:00
Tue. Sept. 12	North Central Elementary School, Hermansville	9:15 to 2:15
Thu. Sept. 14	Bark River-Harris School	9:00 to 3:00 ET
Fri. Sept.15	Carney Post Office, US 41, Carney	10:30 to 10:45
	Raymond Mott Home, N18125 Co. Rd. 551	12:15 to 12:30 ET
	Perronville Community Stop (Post Office Parking Lot) & Storytime	1:00 to 1:30 ET
	Bark River-Harris School Community Stop	2:00 to 5:00 ET
Tue. Sept. 19	Stephenson Elementary School-Upper Elementary	8:30 to 3:00
Wed. Sept. 20	Stephenson High School	9:45 to 3:00
Thu. Sept. 21	Hermansville Senior Center, W5480 1st St., Hermansville	9:00 to 9:30
	Pleasant Acres Apartments, N15967 US 41, Powers	9:45 to 10:45
	Powers Post Office, US 41, Powers	11:00 to 11:15
	Spalding Post Office	11:30 to 11:45
	North Central Jr./Sr. High School, Powers	12:00 to 3:00
	Maple Grove, Powers	3:15 to 3:30
	Whispering Pines South, Carney	3:45 to 4:00
Wed. Sept. 27	Evergreen School/Community Action Agency, Menominee	9:30 to 10:00
	Saint John Paul II Catholic Academy, 2701 17th St., Menominee	10:15 to 1:00
	Bjorkman's Home Community Stop (County Road 577)	1:15 to 1:30
	Evergreen School/Community Action Agency	1:45 to 2:00
	County Road 577 Community Stop – (Goffin's Home)	2:20 to 2:50
	River Breeze Adult Care Home, River Dr., Wallace	3:00 to 3:15
	Kutha's Foster Care Home (Shakey Lakes Area)	3:45 to 4:15
Thu. Sept. 28	Daggett Senior Center, US 41, Daggett	11:00 to 11:15
	Whispering Pines North	11:50 to 12:00
	Pinecrest Nursing Home (Parking Lot)	12:00 to 1:00
	Cedar Grove/Pine Grove	1:00 to 1:15
	Powers-Spalding Activity Center	1:20 to 1:30
	Golden Shores Apartments , Hermansville	2:00 to 2:30
	Nadeau Community Stop (St. Bruno's Church Parking Lot)	3:00 to 4:00



#### For more information, please call the Menominee County Library at 906-753-6923 THE PUBLIC IS WELCOME AT ALL BOOKMOBILE STOPS!





#### Sample items:













Have a bunch of Kids Cash accumulated? Now you can redeem your Kids Cash for items to get your kids moving, thinking, & learning! These items promote positive play and family together time, brought to you by the Menominee County Great Start

Parent Coalition. View the Kids Cash Store at www.greatstartmenomineecounty.org under Kids Cash Tab. Each picture is worth \$10 Kids Cash, based on availability.

#### To redeem:

Call Menominee County Great Start at (906) 863-5665 ext. 1046 or

e-mail kidscash@mc-isd.org to give advance notice so the package can be prepared.

\*\*\*Items will be held for 48 hours\*\*\*

### Bring your 10 Kids Cash to:

Menominee County Intermediate School District 1201 41st Avenue, Menominee MI

\*\*Please note: items not picked up within 48 hours will be put back into the Kids Cash Store and will be available for redemption from other families. Limit of 2 items per family per month.



Sets are categorized by "recommended" age group.

A:Ages 0-2, B:Ages 2+, C:Ages 4-+, D:Ages 6+, E:Ages 8+