



## IMLS Funding Elimination: What It Could Mean for Library Services Across Michigan

A recent Executive Order proposes eliminating the [Institute of Museum and Library Services](#) (IMLS), which helps fund Michigan's MeL and MeLCat programs. These services allow library users statewide to borrow materials and access millions of digital resources. As a district library, we understand how important these programs are for ensuring equitable access to resources across Michigan. [Read more about IMLS and its effects on services.](#)

## Checkout An Expert

Our community is full of wonderful individuals with rich experiences to share.

### SCHEDULE A MEETING WITH AN EXPERT

Sign up for a 20 minute one-on-one consultation with a local expert in a particular field. Get your questions answered, learn about a new career, and find support from welcoming neighbors. All meetings are held at Plymouth District Library in the Sharing, Reading, Partner.

Support for this program comes from [Relentless Care Foundation](#) by [Community Financial Credit Union](#).

## JOIN US /SIGN UP



## Change Your Career and Your Lifestyle

Looking for a new career path or lifestyle change? We've got programs and services to support you!

### Trade Careers Spotlight: Pipefitting & HVAC - March 27, 2025 | 7 PM

Curious about a career in the skilled trades or maybe ready to learn first steps? This monthly series of programs gives you an inside look and a chance to ask questions of people doing the work. This month's focus is on pipefitting & HVAC. This monthly series is sponsored by CFCU's Relentless Care Foundation. **Scheduled presenters include:** Jeff Lewis and Dan Gurly of Detroit Local 636 Pipefitters, Steamfitters, Refrigeration and Air Conditioning Union.

**Check Out an Expert:** Interested in learning a new skill or taking your hobby to the next level? Need help with your resume, support in gardening, the arts, or your health journey? Try our Check Out an Expert program, where you can connect one-on-one with an expert ready to help you grow.

Both the event and program are proudly sponsored by [CFCU's Relentless Care Foundation](#).

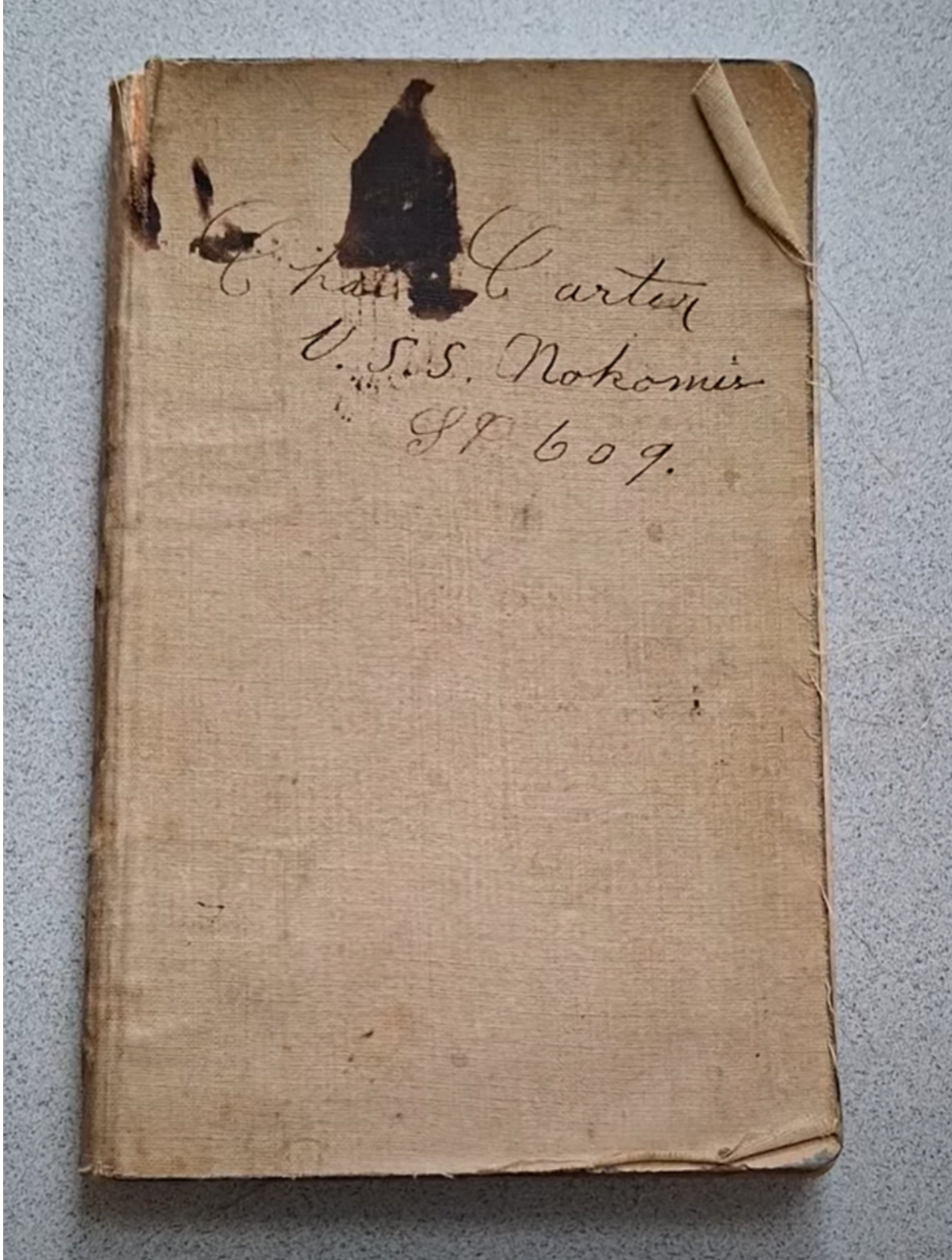
## april is... national poetry month



## Celebrate National Poetry Month

National Poetry Month kicks off April 1st, and we're celebrating with events, activities, and a curated poetry book list. Join us for: [Popcorn & Poetry Book Club — Thursday, April 17 at 6:30pm](#) and [Poetry Jam — Saturday, April 26 at 1pm](#).

April is the perfect time to dive into poetry. [Explore our featured book list](#), highlighting poets like Brittany Rogers, Clint Smith, Rupi Kaur, and more.



## A Lost Book. A WWI Journal. Two Incredible Journeys

Sometimes, the stories that find their way to the library are just as fascinating as the ones inside our books. From a novel that took a cross-country trip to a World War I sailor's journal with Detroit ties—these lost treasures recently landed at the library. [Read how they found their way home.](#)

## Our Community



**Our library is a vital part of the sharing economy**—not just with books, but also with resources, seeds, hobbies, meeting space, and more. [Explore some of our upcoming opportunities to share.](#)

**RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE Thursday, Mar. 27 | 10am-4pm.** You are invited to sign up to donate to the Red Cross blood supply. To sign up, visit [redcrossblood.org](#) (use sponsor code: plylibrary) or call 1-800-RED CROSS. For March, the Red Cross will be advising donors of their A1C number, a measurement of the average amount of glucose (sugar) in your blood. A1C is commonly used to screen for pre-diabetes and diabetes, and can serve as an important health indicator you can discuss with your doctor. Age Group: Adults and Teens. [Next Red Cross Blood Drive is Thursday, May 29.](#)

**We are teaming up with Gleaners Community Food Bank of Southeast Michigan** once again. Between March 17 and April 11, 2025, we are accepting non-perishable food donations on behalf of Gleaners as we work together to nourish our neighbors. Last year over 6,900 pounds of food and over 8,800 meals were made available to our hungry neighbors! The box to donate can be found in our main lobby.

**P-CCS Mental Health & Wellness Fair** Join us for the Fourth Annual P-CCS Mental Health & Wellness Fair on Saturday, April 26 from 10am to 2pm in Kellogg Park (Downtown Plymouth)! Crush the Stigma of Mental Health with this free, interactive fair for families of all ages! Enjoy a day full of fun activities, meet Community Mental Health Experts and local businesses, and focus on your mental health and wellness!



## Book List Highlight: Timeless Tales

Our featured book list offers stories from history—books that shape our understanding of the past. Every page takes us back in time, offering a glimpse into the people, struggles, and triumphs that shaped the world we live in today.

This list is a great companion to the several historical presentations we have plan for you in April and May, including [Battle Between the Monitor and the Merrimac](#), the history of the Ford Motor Company in the Upper Peninsula from 1920-1954, the history of Michigan's Civil War regiment of African American soldiers and [Berlin: History and Highlights](#).

[Visit our website to check out the books and programs.](#)



## Author Spotlight: Nancy Tillman

Each month, we shine a light on an author we love—and this month, it's Nancy Tillman, bestselling author of *On the Night You Were Born* and other heartwarming stories that celebrate children and their place in the world. Learn more about her books and why they're perfect for sharing with the little ones in your life: [Read the Author Spotlight.](#)

## Sign Up Today

**Thanks for being a part of and supporting Plymouth District Library.** Looking for a variety of events or activities to enjoy? [Visit our online calendar for upcoming events.](#) For your next good read, visit our [Read/Watch/Listen](#) page. [Click here for more library news and events sent directly to you.](#)