



Stacks and Stories: September 2025 Edition

August was an exciting month at the Eaton Rapids Area District Library! We welcomed over **2,500 patrons** through our doors, had more than **220 attendees** at our programs, and circulated over **3,000 materials**. Thank you to everyone who joined us—we love seeing our community thrive at the library!

Now, with September upon us, we're ready to celebrate the changing season with our **Fall into Reading Program**. Registration is open now on **Beanstack**, so be sure to sign up and set your fall reading goals. Whether you're reading for fun, relaxation, or learning something new, this program is a great way to stay engaged and earn rewards along the way.

September also brings back one of our favorite traditions—**Library Card Wars!** This friendly competition invites our three service areas—**Hamlin Township, Eaton Rapids Township, and the City of Eaton Rapids**—to compete for bragging rights and a cool reward. The challenge? To see which area can register the most **new library cards** during the month of September.

The winning area will celebrate with a visit from the **Kona Ice Truck** on **October 9th from 3–5 PM**. Even better, the **first 50 people** will enjoy a Kona Ice treat **free of charge at the library!** We'll announce the winning community on **October 1st**, so don't delay—sign up for your **free library card** this month and help your area win the title.

Looking ahead, we're also preparing for one of our most popular seasonal programs—our **Halloween Costume Giveaway**. We are currently accepting **Halloween costume donations through November 5th**. Starting **October 1st**, all donated costumes will be made available for community members to take **free of charge**. This program ensures that everyone has the chance to celebrate Halloween without the added expense of purchasing a costume. We encourage you to drop off new or gently used costumes at the library to help us build a wide variety of options for all ages.

September is shaping up to be a month full of fun, reading, and community connection. For more information about Fall into Reading, Library Card Wars, or our upcoming programs, visit eradl.org or give us a call at **517-663-0950**.

We look forward to a festive fall and a fun-filled September at ERADL!

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