Library Receives Major Gift

The Clinton Township Kiwanis have pledged $10,000 toward a puppet theater for the Clinton-Macomb Public Library. “We’re thrilled to have the Clinton Township Kiwanis partnering with us on our new library project,” says library director Christine Lind Hage. The library plans to build a 84,000 square foot facility at Romeo Plank and Canal Road. The new library will open in 2003.

“The Kiwanis International is dedicated to serving children of the world and improving the quality of life worldwide and we believe that offering great library service is one way of doing that,” said Randy Payne, president of the Clinton Township Kiwanis Club. The club meets weekly for business and breakfast at Fern Hill and each year conducts several fund-raisers such as spaghetti dinners and gourmet nut sales, as well as other events. The money goes to many local organizations like the library, but all of those organizations work toward improving the quality of life for children.

The Clinton-Macomb Public Library has had a tremendous amount of growth in the past three years. After a successful millage campaign in August of 1998, the library has opened a South Branch (2000) on Gratiot in Clinton Township and the new North Branch (2001) in Macomb Township. The new Main Library, once opened will be the largest library in Macomb County and will have a distinct area for children’s services.

The library will be adding many programs for children in the new building. The puppet theater will allow children to express their creativity through the use of library-supplied puppets. Right now the library owns over 320 puppets. The puppets are loaned to children for three weeks at a time and are extremely popular.

Library director, Christine Hage applauds the support of the Kiwanis. “We appreciate the Clinton Township Kiwanis coming on board so early in our project. We hope that other service clubs and organizations will also consider partnering with the library. We are looking for donors for several reading areas, equipment and special collections.” Potential donors should contact Christine Lind Hage at (810) 226-5010 for more information.

Entertainment Coupon Books Now Available

The Friends of the Clinton-Macomb Public Library are offering the 2002 edition of the Detroit metro area Entertainment Book as a fund-raiser for the library. This popular coupon book features buy one, get one free savings offers to hundreds of local fine dining and family restaurants, entertainment and sporting venues, plus shopping and travel destinations. Sample books are on display in all three CMPL libraries and orders may be placed by filling out an order form at the library or by calling the Friends of the Clinton-Macomb Public Library’s hotline at (810) 226-5007.

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Volunteer Spotlight

It has been a very busy summer for the volunteers who donate their time and energies to the Clinton-Macomb Public Library.

With the opening of the new North Branch library, many additional hours of volunteer service were required to assist the library staff in sorting, stocking and shelving the almost 30,000 books, audiobooks, CDs, DVDs, videos and puppets that were ordered for the collection. In the weeks before we opened, 25 volunteers assisted in the set-up process, many helping more than one day.

Then the Grand Opening Day Celebration was soon upon us and what a day it was! Thanks to the 32 helpers, ages 8 to 86, who spent Monday, July 9th at the North Branch, the opening day festivities were a smash hit! The volunteer crew was kept busy handing out and serving up to the 1500 people who stopped in that day, approximately:

- 880 magnifying bookmarks
- 300 snow cones
- 300 bags of popcorn
- 250 balloons
- 400 cups of lemonade
- 3037 items were checked out and 252 library cards were issued on opening day!

Also

As we head into the fall and winter months, many of our volunteers will be heading for sunny climates while others will be longing to get out of the house and find tasks to keep busy. There are plenty of opportunities for whatever your schedule may be to help out at our three libraries.

Some of the current needs include:

Two volunteers at each program to assist with the book signings this fall during our Local History lecture series on Thursday evenings. The Adopt-A-Shelf program is now in full swing at the South and North Branches, and there are still shelves and sections in need of tending to. Occasionally processing work is needed at our Main Library, along with shelf reading and donation sorting. Currently, we are in search of a volunteer puppet-tender. If you have sewing skills, we can use your help in mending and relabeling our many well-loved puppets. Also, if you have special skills or expertise in a craft or hobby (computers, quilting, sign language, etc.) we’d like to hear from you. Volunteers who would like to share their skills with other library customers by conducting a training session or demonstration are urged to call Jodee Roberson at (810) 226-5013 to discuss these possibilities.

And finally, our volunteer foundation group, the Friends of the Clinton-Macomb Public Library, always has many fundraisers in the works and can use your ideas and assistance. Stop into a Friends monthly meeting on the second Tuesday each month to learn more about and meet the members of this wonderful group. For Friends information, please call (810) 226-5007.

Thanks to all of our volunteers for all of your hard work and efforts on behalf of the Clinton-Macomb Public Library!

Annual Meeting

featuring a performance by
singer/songwriter Leslie Frederick
Tuesday, October 9th at 7 PM

Everyone is invited to the Friends of the Clinton-Macomb Public Library’s Annual Meeting which will feature music and refreshments. Singer and guitarist Leslie Frederick will perform her unique blend of popular music and oldies sure to encourage singing along! This event is free and open to the public.

The Friends Board elections will be held this evening to be followed by the entertainment. Stop into the North Branch library’s meeting room to meet the wonderful Friends who dedicate their time and efforts to fundraising for the library. Thanks to their funding, over 1300 children were able to participate in this year’s Summer Reading Program, enjoying prizes, storytimes, arts and crafts and performances by puppeteers and musicians. Other contributions to the library from the Friends include the world clock at the North Branch and the meeting room tables at the South Branch library.

North Branch Dedication Ceremony August 15, 2001
Volunteers on the Friends hospitality committee provided and served refreshments for the gala celebration.

From left: Betty Strzelecki, Alice O’Donnell, Ruth Giannone, Janet Anderson, Marge Western, Jean Dodson, Jan Jones
From the Director

by Christine Lind Hage

Did you know that moving to a new home is one of the top ten stressful events in a person’s life?

Everyone at the Clinton-Macomb Public Library will tell you that this summer of moving to a new branch library and upgrading the systems at our main library has been stressful. But we welcomed the challenges of change because they have yielded great rewards for the community we serve.

This past summer the library has struggled to install a new computer system that checks our materials in and out for customers as well as maintains our cardholder list and inventory. We’ve automated and streamlined the checkout system at our North Branch and are the first library in the nation to use this type of high tech checkout equipment. We are willing to be the pioneers with this technology because it greatly benefits our customers. For example, we are experimenting with 24/7 lockers at the North Branch, which allow customers to pick up library materials 24 hours a day, 7 days a week at their convenience.

We’ve also opened our second new branch in the last year. That means connecting the North Branch to the Main Library’s phone system and computer network and creating Internet access for customers via cable. This is a daunting task on top of all our other responsibilities of managing three locations, but it is worth the effort when we see how satisfied patrons are with this upgrade in service.

To better serve you, we’ve hired an entirely new staff (branch manager, three librarians, circulation manager, library assistants and shelvers) to make sure that our new North Branch serves the public with the same level of professionalism and friendliness as our Main Library and South Branch. While opening another branch location greatly expands our community outreach, we also have to work with a new landlord, another cleaning service, and all the various services attached to a new location. We have sometimes felt overwhelmed by all the new things that we have to do to maintain a public library that is dedicated to customer service.

This has been a season of change at the Clinton-Macomb Public Library, but we are settling down and starting to function efficiently despite the technology glitches that trouble us every now and then. We welcome the changes because they offer you, the library customer, new opportunities to read, learn, and grow at your local public library. We greatly appreciate your patience and understanding as we piece together this new library system and we look forward to offering you the services and resources you expect and deserve.

We are committed to providing you with the very best free library service in the world! We encourage you to stop by and check out all the exciting changes and see how technology will help to make your next library visit the most enjoyable yet.

Christine Lind Hage

Fall Story Times

at the Library

Story time is a great introduction to the library for young children and their parents. For the youngest listener, the words and rhymes they hear are important for language development; for preschoolers, the stories, songs and finger plays foster their imagination and a love of books. Besides all that, it’s fun.

Come and join the staff at any of the Clinton-Macomb Public Library branches for story time beginning the week of September 17th and continuing until the week of October 23rd. This Fall along with the daytime story times, the library is offering two new sessions; a morning lapsit for babies, and an evening family time.

- Main library drop-in story time will be offered on Tuesdays at 2 PM and Wednesdays at 10 AM. No registration is required.
- South Branch will offer drop-in story time on Tuesdays at 10 AM and Wednesdays at 2 PM. A new evening session will be at 6:30 PM on Wednesdays. No registration is required.
- North Branch will offer pre-school story times for children ages 3 and up on Tuesdays at 2 PM and Wednesdays at 10 AM and 11 AM. Registration is required for the North Branch pre-school story times. Parents can register their child beginning Tuesday, September 4, either in person at the library or by calling (810) 226-5083.
- A new lapsit program will be offered on Thursdays at 10 AM at the North Branch for babies up to 24 months. This is a drop-in; no registration is required.

For all story times, children younger than three must be accompanied by a loving adult. For additional information or questions, please call Youth Services at (810) 226-5003.
Teen Read Week

Teen Read Week is fast approaching and CMPL would like to celebrate!
The theme for this year’s Teen Read Week is “Make Reading a Hobbit” based on the movie soon to be released starring Liv Tyler and Elijah Wood (see web site www.lordoftherings.net/).

From October 14th through the 20th, we will be accepting book reviews from young adults about recommended fantasy novels or their favorite reads from summer. Review forms will be available at all CMPL branches. When a review is turned in the young person will fill out an entry form to go into a raffle for prizes to be awarded at Wrap-Up Parties on October 20th from 2 - 4 PM at our North and South Branches. The reviews will be posted for all to read and a booklet will be produced to be distributed at CMPL and at area schools.

Also, during Teen Read week we will be handing out Lord of the Rings bookmarks, quizzes and trivia based on J.R.R. Tolkien’s writings. Answers will be divulged at the party, of course!

More Cool Stuff for Teens

Poetry Slam at the North Branch on Friday, November 16th at 7 PM
Urban Legends at the South Branch on Friday, October 26th at 7 PM - wear your Halloween costume if you like!

Registration is required. Stop into the library to reserve your space after October 1st

CMPL is putting together a new Teen Advisory Council (TAC) to inform us of what young adults would like to see, do or find at their neighborhood library. For more information contact librarian Jeanine Taylor at (810) 226-5044 or by e-mail at jeanine@cmpl.org.

TAC opinion forms will be available at all three libraries for young adults to share their ideas with the library staff and teen advisory council.

It’s back to school time! Even if you’re not a student you can participate in a great cultural opportunity with StoryLines America, a radio/library partnership featuring some of the best books written about the Midwest.

CMPL will be participating in this collaborative reading and radio discussion series that partners libraries with public radio stations, authors and regional scholars. In its third season, this program’s focus is on the heritage shared by residents of the Midwest.

Some of the books to be featured are Joyce Carol Oates’ Them, Jane Smiley’s A Thousand Acres, and Charles Baxter’s The Feast of Love. Classics such as Main Street by Sinclair Lewis and A Sand County Almanac by Aldo Leopold will also be discussed.

StoryLines America will be broadcast on WUOM FM 91.7, an NPR station in Ann Arbor, beginning October 7, 2001 at 6 pm for 13 consecutive weeks. Each weekly program will focus on a different book, and listeners will have the opportunity to contribute to on-air discussions with guest speakers including authors and regional historians. The Clinton-Macomb Public Library will be hosting book discussions about the selected texts at the North and South Branch locations on the Saturdays following the radio programs. Check with your local Clinton-Macomb Public Library branch for dates and times of these discussions. The library has a limited number of series books available for borrowing. Promotional materials and discussions guides for the program will be available at CMPL libraries.

Visit the StoryLines America web site at http://storylines.ala.org for further information and a complete list of books that will be featured.

Reading Group Resources

Start your own book discussion group

Reading groups have become very popular in the last few years. Selection of titles for a discussion group can be tricky, however. Titles which make it to the bestseller list are not necessarily good candidates for a discussion group. Books heavy on plot, such as thrillers, horror stories and many mysteries, are not as well suited to discussion as those whose characters are forced to struggle with a moral or ethical dilemma. For example, House of Sand and Fog, by Andre Dubus II, provided all the elements for lively discussion, and thanks to Oprah’s Book Club, became a bestseller as well. As reading groups become more popular, resources have become available which help those wishing to participate in discussion groups to choose titles that are sure to stimulate lively conversation. Titles such as The Reading Group Handbook by Rachel W. Jacobsbohn, The Mother-Daughter Book Club: How Ten busy Mothers and Daughters Came Together to Talk, Laugh and Learn Through Their Love of Reading by Shireen Dodson, The Go on Girl! Book Club Guide for Reading Groups by Monique Greenwood, The Readers’ Choice : 200 Book Club Favorites, and The Book Group Book : A thoughtful Guide to Forming and Enjoying a Stimulating Book Discussion Group, by Ellen Slezak are available at the different branches. Our librarians will be happy to suggest titles suitable for stimulating book discussions. Some titles, such as Fiona Range, are published with author interviews and discussion questions included. There are also many online sources devoted to reading groups. Publishing houses such as Harper Collins and Simon & Schuster provide plenty of suggestions for good discussion books as well as conversation guides, which can be printed from the web site free of charge. Another web site, Bookwire.com provides links to over forty-five online reading groups.

JOIN OUR SOUTH BRANCH BOOK GROUP

September’s selection is Mary McGarry Morris’s Fiona Range. It is the bittersweet portrait of a woman who is struggling to come to terms with her past, while attempting to repair the pain her reckless lifestyle has inflicted on her friends and family. These discussions are open to anyone who wishes to participate in a stimulating hour sharing their thoughts and opinions about the book. Copies of the book are available for checkout at the reference desk.

The South Branch book discussion group, which meets monthly on Saturdays at Noon through fall and winter, welcomes new members and promises a lively hour of discussion. For more information or to register for the September session please call 810-226-5073.
Holiday Books for Kids

From leaf piles to trick-or-treating to wrapping Christmas presents, fall is a busy time for all of us. We have books for all of your holiday needs at the library.

🎉 School days are here again:
Wemberley worries about everything, including her first day of school in Wemberley Worried by Kevin Henkes. The children and Miss Bindergarten get ready for a brand new school year in Miss Bindergarten Gets Ready for Kindergarten by Joseph Slate.

✈️ Columbus sailed the ocean blue:
Try reading a biography about the life and voyages of Columbus in October. We recommend A Picture Book of Christopher Columbus by David Adler or Where Do You Think You're Going, Christopher Columbus? by Jean Fritz.

🍬 Trick-or-Treat:
As you get ready for Halloween, we recommend Kathy Ross’s Crafts for Halloween and The Pumpkin Carving Book. Huddle under a blanket and tell some of Alvin Schwartz’s Scary Stories to Tell in the Dark. For a little less fright, try Aunt Eater’s Mystery Halloween by Doug Cushman, Trick or Treat, Smell My Feet by Diane de Groat, or Angelina’s Halloween by Katharine Holabird.

November brings Veteran’s Day and Election Day:
Learn about your country's leaders in So You Want to Be President? by Judith St. George. Think about what life was like in the past in Welcome to Felicity’s World from the American Girls collection or Eyewitness: Civil War. If you have questions about the election process, try Landslide! A Kid’s Guide to U.S. Elections by Dan Gutman.

🎉 Give thanks for your blessings:
Joseph Bruchac tells the story of the first Thanksgiving in Squanto’s Journey: The Story of the First Thanksgiving. Kit and her family celebrate Thanksgiving in the Great Depression in Kit Learns a Lesson from the American Girls series. Make sure that you don’t invite a guest to your meal like the old lady in I Know an Old Lady Who Swallowed a Pie by Alison Jackson.

💡 Light the Hanukkah candles:
Follow the cantor, the rabbi, and the mayor as they chase The Runaway Latkes by Leslie Kimmelman. Learn about the differences between Hanukkah and Christmas as a family celebrates both holidays in Light the Lights: A Story About Celebrating Hanukkah and Christmas by Margaret Moorman. Hershel of Ostropol saves a town’s Hanukkah celebration in Hershel and the Hanukkah Goblins by Eric Kimmel.

🎅 On the first day of Christmas:
Start your celebrating early by checking out our craft section for decorating and present ideas. One of our favorites is Kathy Ross’s Christmas Ornaments Kids Can Make. Learn about Christmas traditions around the world in our “Christmas Around the World” series. These books include crafts, recipes, carols, and the history of Christmas in many different countries. Don’t forget old favorites, such as How the Grinch Stole Christmas by Dr. Seuss or The Night Before Christmas by Clement C. Moore. New books are always coming out and our favorites include Olive the Other Reindeer by J. Otto Seibold, How Santa Got His Job by Stephen Krensky, Auntie Claus by Elise Primavera, or Christmas in Camelot (Magic Tree House series) by Mary Pope Osborne.

🌟 Don’t forget:
The end of the year brings Kwanzaa and New Year’s Eve. The power of family is shown in Angela Medearis’s Seven Spools of Thread: A Kwanzaa Story. Learn about New Year’s greetings and customs around the world in Happy New Year, Everywhere! by Arlene Erlbach.

Spend all of your holidays with books from the library!

Fun to last throughout the year . . .

Join us at the library for these upcoming children’s programs

Pooh Fest!
Come celebrate with us the 75th anniversary of the publication of the much loved Winnie the Pooh tales on Saturday, October 6th at 10:30 AM - 11:45 AM. There will be stories, crafts and games. Ages: 4 - 8 years old. Pre-registration required. This program will be held at the North Branch.

Halloween Crafts
Join us at the North Branch on Thursday, October 25th at 4 PM and at the South Branch on Saturday, October 27th at 11 AM. Create some spooky Halloween projects! Crafts are designed for kids ages 7 - 12. You must register at the library to attend.

Harry Potter Party
Enter the magical world of Hogwarts as you are sorted into your house, make your wizard gear, and play Harry Potter games. We’ll hold our Harry Potter party at the North Branch on Saturday, November 10th at 11 AM. You must register in advance for this event.

Holiday Crafts
Make your own winter holiday crafts this December! We’re hosting a craft session for kids ages 7-12 on Thursday, December 13th at 4 PM at the South Branch and on Saturday, December 15th at 11 AM and at 3 PM at the North Branch. Register in advance for either session.

Questions about any of these programs should be directed to the Youth Services Dept. at (810) 226-5003.
All you need is your library card

You can’t decide. Do you want the latest bestseller, DVD, video, CD, audio book or magazine? Do you want to attend a program, sip a cappuccino, people watch or do research, browse on the Internet? All of this and more are available at your local branch of the Clinton-Macomb Public Library (CMPL).

Today’s libraries bear little resemblance to their forebears of the 20th century. True there are still books of all sorts and sizes, but that’s where the similarity ends.

Today’s libraries boast wide-ranging collections of arts and artifacts. Those looking for historical information need look no further than the CMPL to find information about the past or about today’s popular culture. You’d just as likely to find a well-to-do businessman as a heavily tattooed Generation X´er sitting in the public-access computer section, both of them engrossed in online activities.

The Gallup Organization polled 1,000 people in 1998 and found that 64 percent of them had used their public library in the last year; of those who used the libraries, 81 percent said they had taken out books and 65 percent had consulted a librarian. Statistics for the CMPL aren’t quite that good yet, but usage is increasing by over 100% each year!

The library offers something for everyone from womb to tomb. From information on e-commerce, to home repair, the library has a wealth of information just waiting for you to discover. But the library is more than just books for schoolchildren and researchers. They hold a special place in the history of our country. The Clinton-Macomb Public Library provides meeting rooms (one at South Branch and two at North Branch) for public forums. In fact, it was a library in Philadelphia in 1774 that hosted the first meeting of the Continental Congress. Your meeting doesn’t have to be that consequential for you to book and use one of the library’s three meeting rooms. Non-profit organizations can reserve the rooms by calling 226-5013.

The technological advances of recent years are no more apparent than in your local library. From the Internet to electronic-image retrieval, libraries remain a unique source of information and enlightenment for everyone willing to make that first step through a door that opens into a world of excitement and wonder. All you need is your free library card!

September is Library Card Sign-Up Month

Hey second graders! Look for the librarian to visit your school this fall!

Did you know September is Library Card Sign-up month? Each year the American Library Association and thousands of public and school libraries across the nation join together in an effort to ensure that every child has a library card. As part of this national campaign, librarians from our libraries will visit each second grade classroom within the Clinton-Macomb Public Library service district to promote library card sign-up. Studies show that kids who are read to in the home and who use the library perform better in school & continue lifelong library use. We too feel it's important to get hooked on the library habit!

If you’re not in second grade, don’t worry, just stop into any of our libraries with your parent or guardian to fill out an application and we can issue you your very own library card that same day.

Stop into the library in September and guess the number of library cards in the pickle jar for a chance to win some book prizes!

What looks like a CD but isn’t?

Not only do we have videos at the Clinton-Macomb Public Library, we also have a growing collection of movies available in DVD format. In fact, CMN has more DVDs than videos. A DVD looks just like a music CD or CD-ROM but is a visual format (rather than audio or software). They can be played a number of ways: on many late model computers, on a player that hooks up to your TV like a VCR, or in a stand-alone unit. Prices vary but are falling. You can find a DVD player on Amazon.com or Circuit City’s web site for around $140.

You can search iBistro, our online catalog for DVD titles by simply typing in a title or, if you don’t know the exact title, type in the last name, a comma, space then first name of an actor in the movie and click on “author.” Ask a librarian to show you how to do a “Power Search” if you’re not sure of the title or a star’s name.

We carry foreign as well as domestic movies in DVD format. We have classics, as well as newer titles, also. Some classics are: The Big Sleep, Gigi, Harold and Maude, Oklahoma, and Stagecoach. Foreign titles include: Cinema Paradiso, Jules and Jim, Diabolique, and The 400 Blows. Coming soon are: Miss Congeniality, Galliato, Bone Collector, Hannibal, and, You Can Count On Me.

Anyone is welcome to select and check out DVDs. Parents please note the Parent/ Legal Guardian Certification clause you signed on your children’s library card application. It states, “I accept responsibility for my child’s use of any and all library materials, including the Internet. Any restriction on my child’s library use is my responsibility.” It is up to you to set guidelines for your children to follow. Ideally, underaged children should be accompanied by an adult when visiting the library and choosing a DVD.
Celebrate Detroit’s 300th Birthday

The Clinton-Macomb Public Library will celebrate Detroit’s 300th Birthday this fall with a program series featuring six of our area’s most prominent authors and historians. These multimedia programs will feature guest speaker lectures with visual and musical accompaniment to bring the sights and sounds of our shared history to life at the library. Join us every Thursday evening from September 27th through November 1st at 7 PM at the North Branch. Books will be available for purchase and autographing by the Friends of the Clinton-Macomb Public Library. Visit the Detroit 300th Birthday official website at www.detroit300.org.

September 27th at 7 PM
Paul Kavieff will tell the story of the Purple Gang.
This scholar spent over 10 years researching this fascinating account of Detroit’s mobster underworld during the Prohibition era. His new study The Violent Years goes even further into exploring the origins of other ethnic gangs that infiltrated the area.

October 4th at 7 PM
Brian Leigh Dunnigan will discuss Frontier Metropolis: Picturing Early Detroit, 1701 - 1838.
Mr. Dunnigan is the curator of maps at the Clements Library at U of M and he has chronicled an extensive graphic record of Detroit from its earliest origins. A slide show will detail the historical maps, photos and documents of the frontier days of Detroit in its first 137 years.

October 11th at 7 PM
Lars Bjorn and Jim Galler will bring the music from Before Motown: A History of Jazz, 1920 – 1960 to life in sight and sound.
These jazz experts will discuss the impact Detroit artists made on the music world and the social context of jazz in its golden era.

October 18th at 7 PM
Arthur Woodford will discuss This is Detroit, 1701 - 2001.
The author is the director at the St. Clair Shores Public Library and he has collected together the most interesting highlights from 300 years of Detroit area history into a fact-filled presentation sure to teach something you never knew about the city.

October 25th at 7 PM
Michael Davis presents a slide show featuring Chrysler Heritage and General Motors: A Photographic History.
Automotive expert, Mike Davis, shares his extensive knowledge of Detroit's biggest auto manufacturers in a presentation showcasing many images of the early to more recent days of Detroit’s car culture.

November 1st at 7 PM
Tom Stanton talks about The Final Season: Fathers, Sons, and One Last Season in a Classic American Ballpark.
Journalist and founder of The Voice Newspapers, Tom Stanton, celebrates the last year of Detroit baseball’s Tiger Stadium with his personal goal to attend all 81 home games. He shares his personal insights on this journey.

Local History will also be featured at the South Branch on Wednesday, October 24th at 7 PM
Irwin Cohen (“Mr. Baseball”) will present Echoes of Detroit: A 300-Year History, a multimedia overview befitting Detroit's 300th Birthday.

LOCAL HISTORY AT CMPL

Over the past five years, there has been tremendous growth at the Clinton-Macomb Public Library. Two branch libraries have opened within the past year and now we are preparing to build our new permanent main facility. The Clinton-Macomb Public Library’s new main library will include a local history room to assist the residents of Clinton and Macomb Townships in researching the communities’ past. The room will include a microfiche reader for reading census materials and an on-line terminal for searching the Internet and providing access to local news.

The library’s goal is to provide all the residents of Clinton and Macomb Townships with a comfortable and convenient location to research the history of their communities; however, we need your help. Since the library has enjoyed its recent growth, all of the library’s collections consist of new books, periodicals and other materials. And so the library is starting from scratch, as there are not currently any vintage or historical materials within the collections. We are asking our customers and the community to help contribute in our efforts to develop a significant local history collection that will include books or magazines that pertain to the history of Clinton and Macomb Townships and Macomb County. We would also like to include pictures, postcards, maps, atlases, yearbooks and any other printed materials relevant to the communities. Of course, cash donations are always appreciated.

Please help us share the history of Clinton and Macomb Townships with the present and future residents of our communities. If you have any materials you would like to donate, or if you would like to make any other contribution, please contact library director Christine Hage at 226-5010.

BOOK LAUNCH PARTY

Wednesday, November 14th from 4:30 - 7:30 PM
in the North Branch Meeting Room

The Clinton-Macomb Public Library is pleased to host the debut celebration for Echoes of Macomb: A Pictorial History of our County.

The Macomb Daily newspaper has compiled a collection of photographs from the personal collections of individuals and families throughout the area into this first volume in their local history series. The Clinton-Macomb Public Library is proud to have served as a digitization resource and collection point for local residents to submit their photos for this project and to begin the seeds of our local history collection.

Stop into the North Branch throughout the months of October and November to view a display of some of the photographs from the 1800’s through the mid-1960’s which were collected for this project. Then join us for delicious refreshments, courtesy of the Macomb Daily, and an opportunity to meet and speak with the chroniclers of Macomb’s heritage.

Did you know?
The Clinton Township was founded in 1782 by Moravian missionaries who named the settlement New Gnadenhutten which means Tents of Grace?
from The Detroit Almanac, Detroit Free Press, 2001
Library lovers come in all ages!

Meet our youngest CMPL patron, baby Dalyn Seibert. Pictured here with his mom and dad, Eric and Vickie Seibert, and his big brother, Jobe Thomas; Dalyn was born July 9th, 2001, the day of our North Branch Grand Opening.