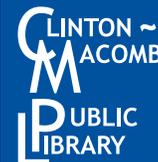


Library Matters



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CMPL Receives Generous Gifts

The Clinton-Macomb Public Library was the recipient of two generous gifts from community businesses. The first was a \$2,000 donation from the Clinton Township campus of Baker College. Baker College Library Director David Miller and Assistant Library Director Kathy Harger presented the check to CMPL Library Director Christine Lind Hage on October 31. This donation is the second annual gift from Baker College. "We like to support our fellow libraries," Miller said. Many students at the Clinton Township campus of Baker College use resources from Baker as well as CMPL. "We thank Baker College for this generous gift," said Hage. "We look forward to partnering with them in the future."



Baker College Library Director David Miller (left) and Assistant Library Director Kathy Harger (right) present CMPL Library Director Christine Lind Hage (center) with a donation.

The second gift came courtesy of Great Lakes Crafts in Shelby Township. Great Lakes Crafts gave CMPL a Thomas the Tank Engine table for the Children's Room. "This is a heartwarming gift because it comes from a community business," said Hage. The Thomas table has already become a popular attraction in the Children's Room since its installation in October. The Thomas the Tank Engine table has moveable cars and train tracks to amuse the entire family.



The Thomas the Tank Engine Table has been a popular addition to the children's area. Dustin Solomon (left) enjoys his first visit to the Main Library. His first stop was the Thomas table!

What is PAMS?

CMPL is introducing the Patron Access Management System (PAMS). PAMS is a feature that must be added to your CMPL library card in order for you to access the Internet at CMPL. PAMS will allow you to reserve a computer if they are all taken, select filtering preferences and alert you when your Internet time has expired.

PAMS can also make your library card smarter! PAMS allows you to add money to your library card to pay for photocopies and computer printouts. Simply place a specific amount of money on your library card, insert it into the copier and the money is automatically deducted, just like a debit card.

PAMS is currently available at the Main Library only; however the North and South Branches will soon be getting this technology. To add PAMS to your library card please go to any Main Library reference desk.

Calling All Children of the '80s!

To the young professionals who came of age during the days of big shoulder pads, "Dallas" and hard-rocking hair bands-come get your popular culture fix at a new book club starting at the CMPL. The Young Professionals book club meets on the **second Thursday of the month at 7 p.m.** at the **Main Library**. If you played Atari and collected He-Man action figures then this is the book club for you. Check out the selections below and join us, but please leave the side ponytails and tight-rolled jeans at home!

February 12-

The Virgin Suicides by Jeffrey Eugenides

March 11-

A Heartbreaking Work of Staggering Genius by Dave Eggers

April 8-

Me Talk Pretty One Day by David Sedaris

Outreach Open House

CMPL has a selection of materials to help those with low vision and visual impairments. The Assistive Technology materials are housed in Popular Materials at the Main Library. Aside from general materials, such as large print books and magazines, there are also several special low-vision aids that are available for check out. CMPL has a computer that is loaded with software that can magnify and read Internet web sites and personal letters aloud. A closed circuit television that magnifies words and allows the user to customize the appearance of the screen to make it easier to read is also available for use.



CMPL will host an Outreach Open House on **Wednesday, January 21** from **1-8 p.m.** at the **Main Library** to explain the technology that is available to those with visual impairments. Overview meetings will be held at **1 p.m., 4 p.m.** and **7 p.m.** to explain the materials CMPL offers. The overview sessions will be followed by a demonstration of the assistive technology available in the library. A librarian will be available throughout the day to explain how to use the Outreach technology. A selection of low vision aids are also available for checkout. Refreshments will be served. **To attend an overview session followed by a demonstration please call 226-5013.**

Brick Paver Update

It's not too late to order a brick paver for yourself or someone you love! Pavers will be laid into the patio of the Main Library this spring.

Events will be scheduled in the patio area this summer for all to enjoy the personalized brick pavers. Forms to purchase brick pavers are available at any CMPL location or online at www.cmpl.org.

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Book Groups

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Main Library Book Club

The Main Library book discussion group meets at **7 p.m. on the fourth Wednesday of each month.** Check out the list below for upcoming book selections:

- January 28:** *The Inn at Lake Devine* by Elinor Lipman
- February 25:** *The Hours* by Michael Cunningham
- March 24:** *Fast Food Nation* by Eric Schlosser

North Branch Mystery Book Club

The North Branch Mystery discussion group meets on the **third Tuesday of each month at 10 a.m.** Check out the list below for upcoming selections:

- January 20:** *The No. 1 Ladies' Detective Agency* by Alexander McCall-Smith
- February 17:** *Purple Cane Road* by James Lee Burke
- March 16:** *Charm City* by Laura Lippman

South Branch Book Club

The South Branch book discussion group meets on the **first Saturday of each month at 12 p.m.** Check out the list below for upcoming selections:

- January 3:** *Pride and Prejudice* by Jane Austen
- February 7:** *Talk Before Sleep* by Elizabeth Berg
- March 6:** *The Other Boleyn Girl* by Phillipa Gregory
- April 3:** *Crossing to Safety* by Wallace Stegner



From the Director

By Christine Lind Hage

“The public library has been historically a vital instrument of democracy and opportunity in the United States.... Our history has been greatly shaped by people who read their way to opportunity and achievement in public libraries” Arthur Schlesinger (1888-1965).

Reading has always been a great pleasure and necessity to citizens in a democracy. In fact, an engraving over the doorway to the ancient library in Thebes read: “The medicine chest for the soul.” Libraries are the gateways to learning more about the cure to what ails you, feeding your own intellect, seeing the wonders of the world, sampling the ideas of the greatest thinkers, investigating the drama of pioneer explorers and new age visionaries, escaping into fantasy worlds of fairies and kings, being entertained by comedy and tragedy and everything in between, learning how new technology works, and guiding your own understanding of the most basic principles of mechanics.

Fortunately avid readers and inquisitive minds don't have to purchase books. There is a wealth of information to be had at your library. The Clinton-Macomb Public Library provides you with the treasure of all the reading materials you will ever need.

The key to this treasure is your library card. CMPL only has about 50,000 card holders out of a potential 150,000 people living in the library service area. In the past, this low registration rate may have been the result of not having sufficient space to serve everyone, but this has changed with the opening of the new main library. Your library now has the space and resources to meet your every reading interest. If we don't have what you want in stock, we'll purchase it for you. Our goal is to always be able to say “yes” to you. You might be surprised at how many times a day we are already saying “Yes we have that” or “Yes, we'll get that for you.”

So how do you unlock this treasure trove of reading delights? It's simple. You need to register for your

library card. Library cards are free to anyone living or working in Clinton or Macomb Townships. There are no age restrictions and you can apply for a card at any one of our three locations and your card is good at all three locations.

Your library card is the smartest card in your wallet. It can save you money, allow you to travel through time, meet great thinkers and teachers, expand your vistas while broadening your experiences and education, and make you the master of discovery. Best of all, the library card is free. If you don't have your card yet, simply stop in at your local library and see how easy it is to tap the imagination, intellect, and insight of authors from far and near.

Everyone is invited to share this treasure. Owning a library card and being able to read is a pleasure that needs to be shared. Unfortunately, over 70,000 adults in Macomb County are illiterate and you can help them. One of the real champions in the fight against illiteracy is the Macomb Literacy Partners (MLP). Since 1984 MLP volunteers have donated thousands of hours of tutoring services. Through their efforts, hundreds of Macomb County adults can now read well enough to complete a job application, create their first resume, read a newspaper, use a map and read their own mail. This also means that the children of the formerly illiterate have a much better chance of becoming readers as well.

You too can help in the fight against illiteracy by becoming a tutor to one of the over 70 adults waiting for your help. Training will be offered at the Clinton-Macomb Public Library Main Library on Romeo Plank and Canal Roads on Saturday, January 10 and Saturday, January 17. Call MLP at 286-2750 to register.

During the 12 hours of interactive tutor training you will learn strategies to transfer your own reading and language skills to an eager adult student. Using materials provided by MLP, you and your student will meet at least two hours a week for one year. Tutors can meet with your new reader at times and locations convenient to you, including any of the CMPL buildings.

Let's make sure that everyone in Clinton and Macomb Townships can enjoy the gift of reading. It starts with a simple card that becomes the passport to discovery and learning... the Clinton-Macomb Public Library card!

It's a Seussabration at CMPL

Gather all of your red fish, blue fish, Things One and Two, Ooblecks, and Star-bellied Sneetches for a week of Seussentennial proportions! CMPL will be hosting a weeklong Seussabration in celebration of the hundredth anniversary of Dr.



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Seuss's birth. Join us at **all three locations** for Read Across America on **Tuesday, March 2** from **6:30-8:30 p.m.** Two guest readers will appear in between games, crafts, and activities. All ages are invited to attend and registration is not required.

Special Seuss story times will be at the **North Branch** on **Tuesday, March 2 at 2 p.m.**, **Wednesday, March 3 at 10 a.m.**, and **Thursday, March 4 at 10 a.m.** The Tuesday and Wednesday story times are for ages 3-6, while the Thursday story time is for children who are 24-36 months. Registration is not required.

Join us for Seuss Crafts at the **Main Library** on **Tuesday, March 2 at 7 p.m. or 2 p.m.** and at the **South Branch** at **11 a.m.** **The craft events are for ages 4-8 and registration is required, beginning on February 21.**

Display Cases

Have you taken a look at the display cases at the Main Library lately? They are filled with fun and exciting things from organizations around the county and from CMPL staff member's personal collections. Past displays included a collection of Edward Gorey books, historical artifacts from Clinton Township Historical Commission and quilts from the Quilt Guild of Metro Detroit.



Keep your eyes open for a special Martin Luther King, Jr. display in January and a World War I and II artifact display in March.

Get Caught Reading

In celebration of our love of reading, CMPL is sponsoring a "Get Caught Reading" photo contest during the month of February. We would like as many photos as possible of people reading in their favorite places. Bring your photo to any of our three locations and fill out an entry form. Judging will be based upon the uniqueness of the photo and its celebration of reading. Entries will be on display at our three locations during February and March. **Deadline for photos is Saturday, March 6.** Where will you be caught?



Reduce, Reuse, Recycle with CMPL

Do you feel guilty throwing a recyclable ink cartridge in the trash? Are you tired of running to the office supply store to recycle old ink cartridges? CMPL can help you do your part to keep the environment safe! Simply drop off your used ink cartridges at any CMPL location and we will turn them in as part of our recycling program. Currently, we accept Hewlett-Packard, Lexmark, and Canon cartridges. What are you waiting for? Help the environment today!



Balloon Animals

Do you love when magicians and clowns make balloon animals? Well now you can learn to make them yourself! CMPL welcomes magician Dave J. Castle to the **Main Library** on **Saturday, February 28 at 11 a.m.** to teach you how to make balloon animals. Be prepared to learn and have fun! Balloons will be provided for balloon animals. This program is for children ages 7 and up. **Registration for this event is required and starts February 14.** To register please call (586) 226-5030 or visit www.cmpl.org/events.



Story Times Return to CMPL

CMPL offers preschool story times for those little ones who aren't quite ready to attend school. Story times begin the week of **January 12** and run through the week of **February 16**. Check out the schedule below to see when and where story times will occur:

Main Library

Tuesdays at 2 p.m. (preschool)
 Wednesdays at 10 a.m. (preschool)
 Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. (family story time)

North Branch

Tuesdays at 2 p.m. (preschool)
 Wednesdays at 10 a.m. (preschool)
 Thursdays at 10 a.m. (24-36 months)

South Branch

Tuesdays at 10 a.m. (preschool)
 Wednesdays at 10 a.m. (preschool)
 Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. (family story time)

Lapsit

Lapsit story times are for infants, toddlers and their caregivers. Lapsits help to build a language base for small children. Lapsits will be held at the Main Library the week of January 12 through the week of February 16. Please see the schedule below for times.

Main Library

Mondays 9:30 a.m. (pre-walkers 0-10 months)
 Mondays 10:30 a.m. (walkers 11-24 months)

Martin Luther King Day at CMPL

Honor Martin Luther King Day at the Main Library. On **Monday, January 19** at **10 a.m.** CMPL welcomes representatives from the Clinton Township Cultural Diversity Committee to share a special story time featuring works by Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. This story time will also include a special craft project to commemorate this holiday. Please keep your eyes open for other Martin Luther King Day events for the entire family in January.

Bats of the World

Experience Bats of the World at the **Main Library** on **Saturday, March 27** at **10 a.m.** This program, presented by the Organization for Bat Conservation, will feature live bats! Bats of the World will discuss bat echolocation, hibernation,



migration, food preferences and mega and micro bats.

This interactive program allows children to view live bats. All bats used in the program are either perma-

nently injured animals or zoo animals and therefore unreleasable. **Registration for Bats of the World is required and opens on Saturday, March 13.** To register to attend Bats of the World, please call (586) 226-5030 or visit www.cmpl.org/events.

Valentine Crafts

Valentine's Day brings candy hearts and chocolates and flowers but it also means it's time for valentine crafts at the library! Each CMPL location will host valentine crafts. **Registration for these events is required and begins two weeks prior to the event.**



Main Library

Saturday, February 7 at 11 a.m.
 Children ages 6-10.

North Branch

Thursday, February 12 at 4 p.m.
 Children ages 4-8

South Branch

Saturday, February 14 at 2 p.m.
 Children ages 4-8.

You may register for these programs by visiting www.cmpl.org/events. To register by phone, call the Main Library at 226-5030, the North Branch at 226-5083 or the South Branch at 226-5073.

Don't Forget About Homework Help

When you're frustrated by homework, don't forget about Live Homework Help at CMPL. Just log on to our web site, www.cmpl.org, and click on the link to Live Homework Help. Simply select your grade level, subject you need help with, and sign in. If you log on from a CMPL computer you will be taken directly to a chat with your own personal tutor. The chat session is just like Instant Messenger. Get the help, print the chat and improve your grades. What could be easier? If you log on from home, please note that you will need a resident library card.



Teen Advisory Council (TAC)

The Teen Advisory Council (TAC) is a great place to meet people and contribute ideas for teen programming at CMPL. TAC meets on the **third Wednesday of each month** from **4-5 p.m.** at the **Main Library**. Teen issues and events are planned and discussed. Everyone is welcome to suggest ideas to improve on old programs or create new programs. Please call Jeanine Taylor at 226-5044 if you are interested in joining. Future meeting dates are:

Wednesday, January 21 at 4 p.m.

Wednesday, February 18 at 4 p.m.

Wednesday, March 17 at 4 p.m.

Anti-Valentine's Day

Calling all broken-hearted teens (grades 6 and up), come in your best black attire and celebrate the bleakest day of the year (next to New Year's Eve) to spend without a date.



We'll frost and eat broken heart cookies, drink Toxic Shock punch, have a contest for the best dating disaster story, take a swipe at a stupid cupid piñata, make "Nobody Loves Me" valentine cards and other fun, depressing stuff. Call us at 226-5040 to sign up for a light-hearted night of heartbreak at the new Main Library on **Friday, February 13th** from **6-8 p.m.** **Sign up starts January 30.**

Teen Movie Night

You asked for it and now you'll get it! On **Friday, January 23** from **6 from 8:30 p.m.** we will be showing ***Pirates of the Caribbean*** in the auditorium of the **Main Library**. Refreshments will be provided.



Teen movie night is a fun, free way to spend a Friday night with your friends. It is also a great way to meet new people your age.

Please register beginning January 9 by calling 226-5040 or stop by the Adult Non-Fiction reference desk. There will be limited seating so please sign up early.

Book Bites

Book Bites, the teen book discussion group, is now meeting on a monthly basis at the Main Library. This group is intended for teens in grades 6 to 12. The group meets on the first Tuesday of each month from 6 to 7 p.m. in the teen room, The Edge.

The books selected for upcoming discussion are:

January 6: *Burning Up* by Caroline Cooney

February 3: *Hope Was Here* by Joan Bauer

March 2: *Umbrella Man* by Roald Dahl

April 6: *Perilous Gard* by Elizabeth Marie Pope

All of the books are available for checkout at any of the three Clinton-Macomb Public Library locations. Please call 226-5040 and sign up to spend some time discussing good books with your friends. You can also sign up at the Adult Non-Fiction reference desk on the second floor of the Main Library. Refreshments will be provided.

Also, check with your language arts teachers to see if extra credit will be given for participating. Certificates of participation will be available for those who request one.

If you have any questions, please call Jeanine Taylor at 226-5044, Mary Burns at 226-5086 or Stephanie Flinchbaugh at 226-5077.

The Life of F. Scott Fitzgerald

F. Scott Fitzgerald is remembered as one of the great American authors of the twentieth century. His books are more popular now than when he lived. The story of his life is one of great success and of great failure with the latter due in part to the former. Robert M. Carlson, a Clinton Township resident for 48 years, will present a program on the life of F. Scott Fitzgerald on **Thursday,**



February 19 at 7 p.m. at the **Main Library.** Carlson is a retired engineer from General Motors. **Registration for this program is required.** To register please visit www.cmpl.org/events or call 226-5013. Whet your appetite for this presentation by attending the CMPL screening of *The Great Gatsby* on February 10. For more information see page 7.

Young Adult books—Not just for Teens!

Are you looking for a good read? Tired of John Grisham and Sandra Brown? Try perusing books in the Teen area. There are some great reads to be found! Among the good stuff, you'll find books by familiar authors like Alice Hoffman and Joyce Carol Oates, Neil Gaiman and Clive Barker.

There have been a number of "crossover" hits such as *The Lovely Bones* that proved as popular with teens as adults. Well, why not the other way around?

Try these: *A Northern Light* by Jennifer Donnelly, based on a murder case from the turn of the last century that was also the basis for Theodore Dreiser's, *An American Tragedy*, and the Montgomery Clift movie, *A Place in the Sun*; we also have *Canning Season* by Polly Horvath, about a young woman dumped on elderly eccentric relatives for the summer; *Destination Unexpected* edited by Don Gallo, a book of short stories and *Restless* by Rich Wallace, a ripping ghost story are also sure to intrigue.

So, find out what Generation NeXt is reading. I think you'll be intrigued and entertained.

What's Your Temperament?

Your temperament can affect the way you react to everyday situations. Your children can have different temperaments, which impacts the way in which they should be brought up. If you want to know how your temperament influences your daily life then come to the **Main Library** on **Thursday, February 5 at 7 p.m.** Nancy Jenuwine from Macomb Family Services will present *What's Your Temperament*. Get tips on how to interact with people of varying temperaments. Find out what your temperament is by taking a fun quiz to provide an insight into your personality! **Registration for this program is required and begins January 22.** To register visit www.cmpl.org/events or call 226-5013.

World War I and World War II Artifacts

On **Wednesday, March 10 at 7 p.m.** Lawrence Wallach will be at the **Main Library** to discuss World War I and World War II. His historical lecture will be accompanied by many military and home front items and artifacts from both wars. **Items will be on exhibit in the Main Library display cases March 6-April 10th.** Wallach is the Regional Manager for U.S. Senator Debbie Stabenow and has been a collector of World Wars I and II-related memorabilia for many years. **Registration for this program is required and begins on Wednesday, February 25.** To register please call 226-5013 or visit www.cmpl.org/events.



Reminder

Please be careful when taking DVDs and CDs out of the case. All cases are made differently and some discs fit tighter than others.

A tip is to hold the case upside-down so the disc will fall into your hand, as opposed to pulling it out. Thank you for your help.

Disaster Prevention

Were you caught with no water or flashlights during the Great Blackout of 2003? CMPL wants you to be prepared. A representative from the South-east Michigan Red Cross will present a program on **Tuesday, March 30 at 7 p.m.** at the **Main Library** on organizing a plan so that you're prepared for an emergency. This interactive program will help you design a disaster plan and give you information about assembling your own disaster kit, that may be used in all sorts of emergencies including tornados, inclement weather and other emergency situations. Please register for this event by calling 226-5013 or visit www.cmpl.org/events. **Registration opens March 16.**



Computer Corner

The Main Library is once again hosting classes to help you perfect your computer skills. These once-a-month classes will help you master computer basics. **Registration for computer programs is required.** Classes are open to Macomb and Clinton Township residents. Seating is limited. Registration begins two weeks prior to the program date. To register please call 226-5040 or sign up at www.cmpl.org/events.



Thursday, January 15 at 7 p.m.

Internet Basics-Learn how to navigate the World Wide Web. Have you ever wanted to get online, but were afraid to try? If so this is the class for you! It is designed for adult beginners. Internet Basics will take place in the computer lab and offer you hands-on computer practice. **Registration begins on Friday, January 2.**

Thursday, February 26 at 7 p.m.

Introduction to Word-Learn how to use Microsoft® Word to type letters, papers and save documents. Find out how to change the look of your document by changing fonts and margins. This class, designed for adult beginners, will be conducted in the computer lab for hands-on practice. **Registration begins on Thursday, February 12.**

Tuesday, March 16 at 7 p.m.

E-mail Basics-Make the jump from "snail mail" to e-mail. Learn how to set up an e-mail account for personal use. Before you know it, you will be writing and responding to e-mail! This class is for adult beginners and will include hands-on practice in the computer lab. **Registration begins Tuesday, March 2.**

No computer experience is necessary to attend these courses with the exception of being familiar with a keyboard and mouse.

Thank You!

The Clinton-Macomb Public Library would like to thank all of the wonderful volunteers who helped us set up and open the Main Library. We had many hardworking volunteers assist with shelving and tagging books, unpacking boxes and preparing for the Main Library to open. We also had over 100 volunteers on opening day help hand out brochures, direct traffic, inflate balloons and more. Over 3,000 people attended the dedication on October 26, 2003. Without the hard work and commitment of these volunteers the Main Library dedication would not have been such a great success.



If you helped with the set up of the Main Library please stop by the administration office for a token of our appreciation.

Film Series

CMPL is bringing cinema to the Main Library this winter. The second Tuesday of each month is film night at the Main Library. The CMPL film series will feature films that have been adapted from a written work. Check out the book and then enjoy the film adaptation at the Main Library.

Films start at 6:30 p.m. in the Main Library auditorium.



Tuesday, January 13 Frida

Salma Hayek plays the Mexican surrealist painter Frida Kahlo, whose tempestuous life with her unfaithful husband, muralist Diego Rivera, drives the story of *Frida*. Based on the biography of Frida Kahlo by Hayden Herrera. *Rated R*.

Tuesday, February 10 The Great Gatsby

This adaptation of the novel was scripted by Francis Ford Coppola. Robert Redford is Gatsby, the millionaire isolated in his mansion, still dreaming of the woman he lost. Based on F. Scott Fitzgerald's *The Great Gatsby*. *Rated PG*.

Tuesday, March 9 The Hours

The Hours interweaves three stories with remarkable skill: in the 1920s Virginia Woolf grapples with her inner demons and slowly works on her novel *Mrs. Dalloway*; in 1949 housewife Laura Brown feels her own destructive impulses; and in 1999 book editor Clarissa Vaughn prepares to throw a party, in honor of her dearest friend. Based on Virginia Woolf's *Mrs. Dalloway* and Michael Cunningham's novel *The Hours*. *Rated R*.

Tuesday, April 13 Catch Me If You Can

Frank Abagnale, Jr. is a dazzling young con man who spent four years impersonating an airline pilot, a doctor, and a lawyer all before he turned 21. Abagnale is pursued by dedicated FBI agent Carl Hanratty, whose dogged determination stays one step behind Abagnale's spontaneous adventures. Based on the biography of Frank Abagnale, Jr. by Stan Redding. *Rated PG-13*.

Registration for the film series is not required. Please visit www.cmpl.org for more information.

Motorized Scooter available

The Main Library now has a scooter available for those who need help getting around the library. This easy-to-use scooter has adjustable speeds, seat and arm rests. It is also equipped with a basket for books and personal belongings as well as an attachment for walkers. This device is not for loan, but available for in-building use. See the Information Desk for assistance.



You Can Help!

Do you love to read? Would you like to share the joy of reading with someone from your own community? Adult students are waiting for your help!



Volunteer literacy tutors are needed to work two hours per week on basic reading and writing skills and with adults learning English as a Second Language. Macomb Literacy Partners January Tutor Training Workshop will be held on two Saturdays - **January 10 and 17** - at the Main Library.

There is a \$15 registration fee for this course. The Friends of the Clinton-Macomb Public Library have offered to pay the course fee for any Macomb or Clinton Township resident wishing to be a literacy tutor. For more information about Macomb Literacy Partners or to register to attend tutor training please call (586)286-2750.

Main Library Circulation Tips

The staff at the Main Library would like to thank you for bearing with us during our transition to the new sorting technology. As with any new technology there have been a few bugs, but we are working to eliminate these problems as soon as possible. In the meantime here are a few tips to keep in mind to help the sorter run smoothly:

- ◆ Please do not put puppets in the return slot. Puppets should be returned to the Information Desk.
- ◆ Please place items on the conveyor belt one-at-a-time. Please do not stack items.

Thank you for your patience and if there is anything the Circulation staff can do to make check out easier please fill out a comment card to let us know.

Volunteers Needed

Although the Main Library is now open there are still many jobs available for eager volunteers. Check out the list of available volunteer opportunities . For more information, or to volunteer, please call 226-5013.

Library Store-The library store is open and it is staffed entirely by volunteers. If you would like to try your hand in the retail world once or twice a week, then the library store may be right for you.

Shelving-The Main Library has a plethora of shelves that need to be filled with books. We also need some volunteers to adopt shelves and keep them in order.

Holds- The library needs six volunteers to help pull hold items from the shelves each morning. This once-a-week volunteer opportunity would require you to gather items that have been put on hold. If you are available one morning each week this may be the opportunity for you.

Main Library Store

The moment you've been waiting for has arrived. The Main Library Store is now open for business! The store has many fun and unique items for all to enjoy. The Main Library Store is open during the following hours:

Monday-Thursday 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. and
2 p.m.-8 p.m.

Friday 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. and
2 p.m.-5 p.m.

Saturday 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

Sunday 1 p.m.-4 p.m.



The Main Library Store is now open! Come see what fun, unique items we have for eager shoppers.

Music at Main

The Friends of the Library are sponsoring a Sunday concert series at the Main Library. These performances are a great way to add a little fun and culture to a relaxing Sunday afternoon.



Each concert will feature a different style of music. Please check the list below and visit the Main Library for Music at Main! All Sunday afternoon concerts begin at 2 p.m. Registration for these concerts is not required; however, seating is on a first-come, first-served basis.

Sunday, January 11 Light Metal Band

The sounds of this five-piece brass band are fun for the whole family. Musical styles include swing, ragtime and classical.

Sunday, March 14 High Society

Get in the Mardi Gras spirit with jazz band High Society. Catchy jazz tunes will be a major part of the program and fun for the whole family.

Sunday, April 18 Just Friends Trio

Just Friends Trio is widely recognized for their crystal-clear vocals and lively music. Their music is a variety of contemporary and traditional folk music.

Become a Friend

The Friends of the Clinton-Macomb Public Library are always happy to welcome new members to the group. Meetings occur once-a-month at the Main Library.

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of the Clinton-Macomb
Public Library

The Friends sponsor annual book sales and other fund-raisers throughout the year. Funds from these events go to sponsoring events like Music at Main and the Youth Summer Reading Program.

To join the Friends simply fill out an application at any CMPL location.

Calendar of Events

JANUARY

Thursday, January 1

CLOSED for New Year's Day
All CMPL locations

Saturday, January 3 at 12 p.m.

Pride and Prejudice Book Discussion
South Branch

Tuesday, January 6 at 7 p.m.

12th Night Party
Main Library

Sunday, January 11 at 2 p.m.

Light Metal Band Concert
Main Library

Tuesday, January 13 at 6:30 p.m.

CMPL presents *Frida*
Main Library

Thursday, January 15 at 7 p.m.

Internet Basics
Main Library Computer Lab

Monday, January 19 at 10 a.m.

Martin Luther King story time and craft
Main Library

Tuesday, January 20 at 10 a.m.

The No. 1 Ladies Detective Agency
Book Discussion
North Branch

Wednesday, January 21 1-8 p.m.

Outreach Open House
Main Library

Friday, January 23 at 6 p.m.

Teen Movie Night
Pirates of the Caribbean
Main Library

Wednesday, January 28 at 7 p.m.

The Inn at Lake Devine Book Discussion
Main Library

FEBRUARY

Thursday, February 5 at 7 p.m.

What's Your Temperament?
Main Library

Saturday, February 7 at 12 p.m.

Talk Before Sleep Book Discussion
South Branch

Saturday, February 7 at 11 a.m.

Valentine crafts
Main Library

Tuesday, February 10 at 6:30 p.m.

CMPL presents *The Great Gatsby*
Main Library

Thursday, February 12 at 4 p.m.

Valentine crafts
North Branch

Thursday, February 12 at 7 p.m.

The Virgin Suicides Book Discussion
Main Library

Friday, February 13 at 6 p.m.

Anti-Valentine's Day Party
Main Library

Saturday, February 14 at 2 p.m.

Valentine crafts
South Branch

Tuesday, February 17 at 10 a.m.

Purple Cane Road Book Discussion
North Branch

Thursday, February 19 at 7 p.m.

F. Scott Fitzgerald lecture
Main Library

Wednesday, February 25 at 7 p.m.

The Hours Book Discussion
Main Library

Thursday, February 26 at 7 p.m.

Introduction to Microsoft Word
Main Library Computer Lab

Saturday, February 28 at 11 a.m.

Balloon Animals with Dave Castle
Main Library

MARCH

Tuesday, March 2 at 6:30 and 7:30 p.m.

Read Across America
All CMPL locations

Tuesday, March 2 at 7 p.m.

Dr. Seuss Crafts
South Branch

Saturday, March 6 at 12 p.m.

The Other Boleyn Girl Book Discussion
South Branch

Saturday, March 6 at 11 a.m. and 2 p.m.

Dr. Seuss Crafts
Main Library

Tuesday, March 9 at 6:30 p.m.

CMPL presents *The Hours*
Main Library

Wednesday, March 10 at 7 p.m.

World Wars I and II artifact lecture
Main Library

Thursday, March 11 at 7 p.m.

A Heartbreaking Work of Staggering Genius
Book Discussion
Main Library

Sunday, March 14 at 2 p.m.

High Society Concert
Main Library

Tuesday, March 16 at 10 a.m.

Charm City Book Discussion
North Branch

Tuesday, March 16 at 7 p.m.

E-mail Basics
Main Library Computer Lab

Wednesday, March 24 at 7 p.m.

Fast Food Nation Book Discussion
Main Library

Saturday, March 27 at 10 a.m.

Bats of the World
Main Library

Tuesday, March 30 at 7 p.m.

Disaster Prevention
Main Library

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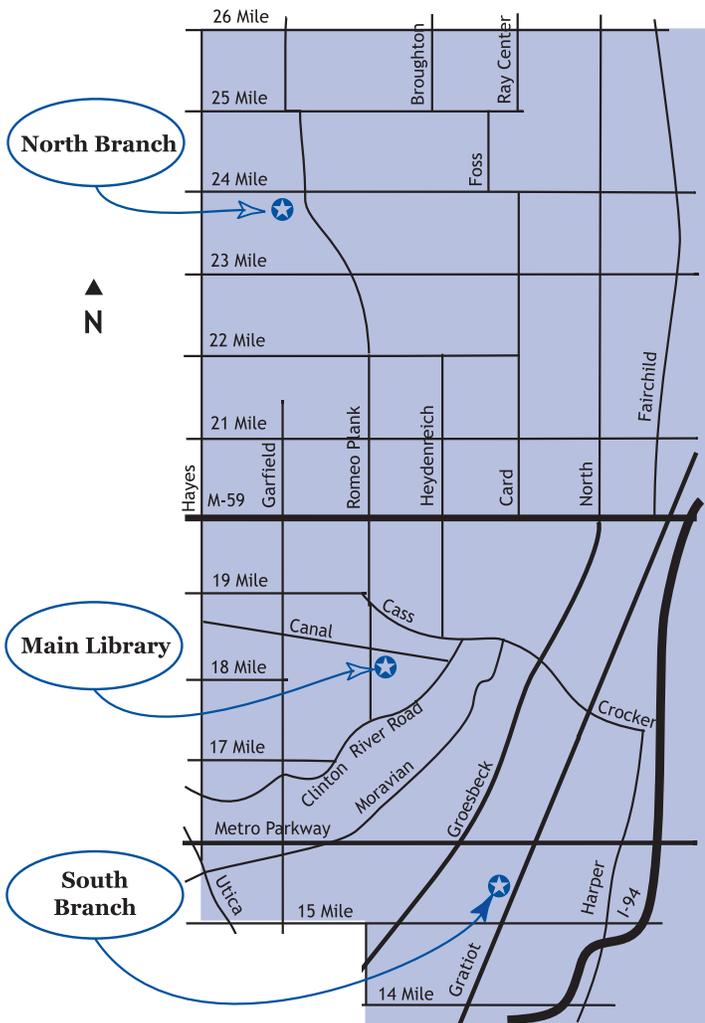
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