

Library Matters



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Tour the Main Library

Have you ever wandered through the Main Library and wondered who donated the various works of art? Have you wanted to know more about the collections we have to offer? If so, join Library Director Christine Lind Hage as she facilitates building tours of the Main Library this winter. Hage will give tours at four different times this winter. Daytime tours are intended for adults and evening tours are appropriate for the entire family. Tours will last approximately one hour. **Registration is required. Please call 226-5050 to register to attend any of the following tours.**



Tuesday, January 11 at 1 p.m.
Registration begins December 27

Tuesday, January 25 at 7 p.m.
Registration begins January 11

Tuesday, February 8 at 1 p.m.
Registration begins January 25

Tuesday, February 15 at 7 p.m.
Registration begins February 1

Tell Us What You Think!

Enclosed in this newsletter you will find a CMPL survey. If you have a moment, please take the time to tell us what you think. We'd like to know what you think of our service, hours and materials. Would you like more graphic novels? Do you have a fondness for cookbooks? This is your chance to tell us what you'd like to see at the Clinton-Macomb Public Library. Please take the time to fill out and return the enclosed survey. We look forward to hearing from you!



The Smartest Card in Your Wallet

Your library card is a powerful tool. What other card in your wallet gives you free access to books and CDs, magazines and movies and all sorts of other resources that can change your life - or just make it a little more fun?



The Clinton-Macomb Public Library is joining the Public Library Association (PLA), a division of the American Library Association (ALA), and public libraries across the country to promote "The Smartest Card @ your library," a campaign to make the library card the most valued and used card in every wallet. The campaign also reminds the public that public libraries are partners for vibrant and educated communities, essential for a free people, and places of opportunity.

Library cards are **free** to anyone who lives or works in Clinton or Macomb Township. All you need to do is to bring in proof of residency, such as driver's license, and fill out an application. The application process is made even easier as you can also register online via the library's website, www.cmpl.org.

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Have Holds Your Way

The Clinton-Macomb Public Library is pleased to introduce a flexible new feature in our online catalog. You are now given the option of determining when your hold requests become active.

This new feature is especially useful if you know you are going out of town; you can adjust the activation date of the hold request to decrease the likelihood of missing the much awaited bestseller that you wish to read. There are a couple different options with this new feature. After logging into your account with the barcode on the back of your library card and inputting your pin number you can adjust the hold activation date. You also have the option of logging into your account and suspending or reactivating holds to better manage your account according to your schedule.

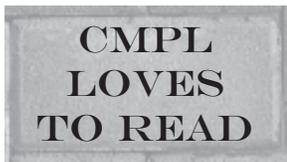
This is just one of the many ways that CMPL is constantly seeking to enhance services to meet our customers' changing needs. Please ask a librarian at any of our three locations if you have questions about utilizing our online catalog or managing your account.

Support the Library

The Clinton-Macomb Public Library is once again selling brick pavers for the patio at the Main Library. Bricks are \$50 each and can be inscribed with three lines of personalized text up to 12 characters on each line.

This is the second year that brick pavers are available for purchase at the Main Library. Last year over 170 bricks were laid into the patio and a dedication to commemorate the event was held in July.

To order a brick paver simply complete a form available at any CMPL location or download the form from www.cmpl.org. For more information call 226-5013.



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. In addition to general materials, such as large print books and magazines, there are also several special low-vision aids available for check out. CMPL has a computer 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 12 from 10 a.m.-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 **10 a.m., 2 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.**

Meeting Room Reminders

In accordance with the revised meeting room policy, we ask that all groups using library meeting rooms wrap up their events by 8:45 p.m. This allows library staff to ensure that the library closes promptly at 9 p.m. We also ask that groups tidy the rooms after use. Groups are asked to leave the meeting rooms in the same condition they found them. Those leaving an unkempt meeting room will be charged a \$50 cleaning fee. Thank you for your understanding.

From the Director

By Christine Lind Hage



Wintertime is a Good Library Time

Now that the holidays are over, you will have plenty of time to read, relax and study. The Clinton-Macomb Public Library has reading, viewing and listening materials on a wide range of subjects. If you are interested in learning a new skill like snowboarding or in improving your skill in bread baking the library has books, DVDs and tapes to help you. If you want to start planning your spring garden or summer vacation the library can help you. If you want to take a more passive trip through time and adventure, the librarians can recommend a good novel to you.

We see a large increase in usage during the winter months. In fact, March is usually the busiest month of the year at CMPL. One of the most popular resources used at the library is our large, fresh nonfiction collection. Regardless of which level of education students are pursuing, they will easily find the resources they need to complete school assignments.

The library also subscribes to a very special service that is available free to residents of Clinton and Macomb Townships. The service is called Live Homework Help. All you need to do is to go to <http://www.cmpl.org/Kids> and click on the Live Homework Help logo near the bottom of the page. You can connect to an online tutor for a one-on-one chat session with an expert tutor. The service is available from 3 - 10 p.m. 7 days a week and is free to all residents of the Clinton-Macomb Public Library with a library card, which is also free. Although the service is focused on students from about 4th grade through high school, people of all ages are welcome to use the tutoring service. If you are having difficulty figuring out a bookkeeping problem or how to construct a specific sentence or just trying to remember something you learned in high school

the tutors can help you. If your child's math has exceeded your math skill, log them on with a math tutor. For example, last year I wrote a book *The Public Library Start-Up Guide* (it is in the library's collection if you care to read it ☺) and the publisher wanted me to write a preface. Not being a big preface reader, I wasn't familiar with the kind of tone and content that was appropriate to a preface. I went onto the Live Homework Help site and asked for a 12th grade English teacher and viola she provided me with the perfect resource. All of this occurred after normal library service hours. The comments we get from this tutoring service are fantastic and I encourage all of you to give it a try.

So whether you want to curl up in front of a fire with a good read or have a specific research need, the friendly librarians at CMPL are here to help you. We staff our desks with professional librarians every hour we are open and they are waiting to help you find the information and materials you need. You can call them directly (see the library's website <http://www.cmpl.org/Library/PhoneDirectory.htm> for phone numbers) and ask your question or you can e-mail your question to info@cmpl.org. We are here to serve you and your family. All you have to do is ask.

Gardeners Wanted

CMPL is looking for Master Gardeners or those with green thumbs to help weed and care for shrubs and flower beds at the South Branch and Main Library this coming spring.



This past spring volunteers did a wonderful job helping to plant and maintain the gardens at the South Branch. If you or someone you know is looking for a way to volunteer or if you are a Master Gardner looking for volunteer hours please consider helping care for the landscaping at CMPL. If you are interested please call 226-5016.

Young Professionals Book Club

CMPL hosts a book group specifically designed to appeal to Generation X. If you like to read and enjoy engaging discussion on topics important to your generation then this is the book club for you. The Young Professionals Book Club meets at the **Main Library** at **7 p.m.** on the **second Thursday** of the month. Join us on the following dates for a great discussion and bring a friend!

January 13:

The Poisonwood Bible by Barbara Kingsolver

February 10:

The Inn at Lake Devine by Elinor Lipman

March 10:

The Heart is a Lonely Hunter by Carson McCullers

Library Closures

All CMPL locations will be **closed** on **Saturday, January 1** for New Year's Day. All CMPL locations will also be **closed** on **Sunday, March 27** for holiday observances.

Something for Everyone @ your library

Get ready for our annual Design-A-Bookmark Contest starting April 1, 2005 presented by the CMPL and the Friends of the Library. This contest is for students in kindergarten through grade 12 and celebrates National Library Week (April 10-16), a nationwide event promoting the use and support of libraries. The theme is "Something for Everyone @ your library" and participants are asked to design an original bookmark featuring the logo "@ your library" using the theme "Something for Everyone".

Entry forms can be picked up from any CMPL location beginning April 1 or on our website. The form must be returned to any CMPL location by Saturday, April 30.

One winner and two runners up will be chosen from each grade category of kindergarten-3, 4-6, 7-9, and 10-12. Winners receive bookstore gift cards and winning bookmark designs are reproduced and distributed in the library.

Book Groups

CMPL offers a variety of book groups that are fun and engaging. Each CMPL location hosts book discussions on different genres and topics. Take a look at what each location has to offer and join us for a lively book discussion!



Main Library-The Main Library hosts a book discussion on the **fourth Wednesday** of each month at **7 p.m.**

January 26:

Friday Night Lights by H. G. Bissinger

February 23:

The Secret Life of Bees by Sue Monk Kidd

March 23:

The Life of Pi by Yann Martel

North Branch-The North Branch hosts a book discussion for mystery lovers on the **third Tuesday** of each month at **10 a.m.**

January 18:

Faint Cold Fear by Karin Slaughter

February 15:

Hanged Man's Song by John Sandford

March 15:

Killing Hour by Lisa Gardner

South Branch-The South Branch hosts a book discussion on the **first Saturday** of each month at **12 p.m.** *Please note that the January book discussion has been moved due to New Year's Day.*

January 8:

Personal History by Katharine Graham

February 5:

Mrs. Dalloway by Virginia Woolf

March 5:

The Da Vinci Code by Dan Brown

Global War on Terrorism and Operation Enduring Freedom

What is life like in Afghanistan? What is it like to be a part of the medical team helping out overseas? Join Dr. Richard Stone as he details his account of the situation in Afghanistan and the



War on Terror. Dr. Stone will be at the **Main Library** on **Thursday, January 13** at **7 p.m.** to discuss his experience in Afghanistan. Dr. Stone, a mem-

ber of the U.S. Army Reserve, was stationed in Afghanistan as part of the 44th Medical Brigade from May 2003 until April 2004. He has a unique, first-hand perspective on the war that he will share with the audience. **Registration is required and begins December 30.** Please call 226-5040 or visit the Events page at www.cmpl.org to register to attend.

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. **The deadline for photos is Saturday, March 5.** Where will you be caught?

How to Start Your Own Book Discussion Group

You have a group of friends that like to read, now what? Have you ever thought about forming a discussion group? On **Tuesday, February 22** at **7 p.m.** the librarians at **Main Library** can give you tips on how to start your own book discussion groups. Topics that will be covered include: how to lead a book discussion, resources on finding good discussion questions and more. CMPL librarians will also introduce you to the new Book Discussion Kits available at the Main Library. **Registration is required and begins February 7.** Please call 226-5050 or visit the Events page at www.cmpl.org to register to attend.



Knightscares Authors to visit Main Library

All you fans of magic and fantasy come meet the authors of the Knightscares series of books. This upper elementary series has the young heroes and heroines facing challenges both magical and non-magical as they proceed in their different quests. Authors David Anthony and Charles David will be at the **Main Library** on **January 20** at **7 p.m.** to share their experiences in creating these imaginative books.

As part of this program, we have six signed copies of one of their books to give away. **For your chance to win, all you have to do is draw a picture based on one of the books and submit it to the library by January 19.** We will have a drawing for the six winners who will be announced at the program on January 20. This program is open to the public but will be of special interest to kids 9 and up. No registration is required.

CMPL Board of Trustees

CMPL's Board of Trustees meets the third Wednesday of each month at 7 p.m. at the Main Library. Meetings are open to the public. Specific meeting dates are posted outside the Administration door at the Main Library. Please consult the list of meetings as occasionally there are changes in meeting dates. Thank you!



CMPL Board of Trustees: Robert Anderson, former Trustee Liz Bartlett, Barbara Brown, Donald W. Green, Peg Lamont, Michael Lotito, Richard Onaga, Peter Ruggirello and library director Christine Lind Hage

Winter Story Times

Story times help foster language acquisition and are a fun way to learn. Lapsit is an interactive story time for the parent/caregiver and baby. Sharing stories and simple rhymes with toddlers is important for language development. Lapsit programs for babies up to age 2 will again be offered at the Main Library and the North Branch.



Preschool story time is suggested for children ages 3-5 and offers a variety of stories, songs and fingerplays. Families can also enjoy time together by participating in family story time held once-a-week at the Main Library and the South Branch.

This winter there will be two sessions of story times. Session I will begin the week of January 10 and continue through February 18. Session II will begin the week of March 7 and continue through April 15. These story times are open to the public with no registration required. Children under 3 must be accompanied by a responsible adult.

Main Library

Mondays at 9:30 a.m. (0 to 11 months)
 Mondays at 10:30 a.m. (12 to 36 months)
 Tuesdays at 2 p.m. (Preschool)
 Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. (Toddlers to 3 years)
 Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. (Preschool)
 Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m. (Preschool)
 Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. (Family)

North Branch

Tuesdays at 2 p.m. (Preschool)
 Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. (12-24 months)
 Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m. (Preschool)
 Thursdays at 9:30 a.m. (0-11 months)
 Thursdays at 10:30 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)

Read Across America

Thousands of parents and children will be reading on **Wednesday, March 2** as part of the National Education Association's Read Across America. Now in its eighth year, this national program highlights and celebrates the importance of reading and honors Dr. Seuss on his birthday. Now an annual event, CMPL will have guest readers and special activities at each of the branches from 6:30 -8:30 p.m. The programs are open to the public; no registration is required.



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Multicultural Party

The **South Branch** will host a multicultural party in conjunction with its Read Across America celebration on **Wednesday, March 2** at **6:30 p.m.** Guest readers from Poland, India and Spain will be at the multicultural party that will feature crafts celebrating different cultures. **Registration for the multicultural party begins February 16.** Please register to attend this program by calling 226-5073 or visit the Events page at www.cmpl.org.

Drumcommunity

Get with the rhythm. The rhythm of the drum. With Drumcommunity! Kids, parents, anyone who likes something different for their music, join us at the **Main Library** on **Thursday, February 24** at **7 p.m.** for this intergenerational program. Lori Fithian will bring her collection of hand drums and percussion toys to share with the audience and transform us into a "drumcommunity." This program is sure to set your toes a tappin'. No musical experience is necessary. This program is open to the public, however registration is recommended.

Parachute Games

What could be more fun than a colorful parachute and lots of fun games? Join the **North Branch** for some fun parachute games on **Wednesday, March 30** at **2 p.m.** This program is for ages 3-6 and registration is not required.



Martin Luther King Day at CMPL

Honor Martin Luther King Day at the Main Library. On **Monday, January 17** 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. This story time/craft activity is suitable for children in preschool-grade 1. There will also be a film for the whole family celebrating the life of Dr. King on **Sunday, January 16** at **2 p.m.** at the **Main Library**.

FYI

Due to the popularity of craft programs held at all CMPL locations, priority registration will be given to residents of Clinton and Macomb Townships. Nonresidents will be registered for programs as space permits. Thank you for your understanding.

Valentine's Day Crafts

All CMPL locations will host Valentine's Day crafts. Take a look at the days and times these craft sessions are offered at each location. **Registration is required.** You may register by calling the numbers listed below or by visiting the Events page at www.cmpl.org.



Main Library:

Saturday, February 5 at 10 a.m. (Ages 3-7)
Saturday, February 5 at 2:30 p.m. (Ages 8-12)
Registration begins on January 22. Please call 226-5030 to register.

North Branch:

Tuesday, February 8 at 4 p.m. (Ages 4-8)
Thursday, February 10 at 4 p.m. (Ages 7-12)
Registration begins on January 26. Please call 226-5083 to register.

South Branch:

Saturday, February 12 at 11 a.m. (Ages 3-12)
Saturday, February 12 at 2 p.m. (Ages 3-12)
Registration begins on January 28. Please call 226-5073 to register.

Lemony Snicket Party

If you dare, you are invited to join the **South Branch** for a Lemony Snicket party on **Saturday, January 22** at **11 a.m.** or **2 p.m.** for 9-12 year olds. Enter our dreadful contest and come dressed as one of your favorite characters such as Violet, Klaus, Sunny, or Count Olaf. Games, snacks, and crafts await you. But don't say we didn't warn you! **Registration is required.** You may register by calling 226-5073 or visiting the Events page at www.cmpl.org.



Movie Matinee

Join us at the library for a movie matinee! CMPL will be presenting the movie *Babe* in the auditorium at the **Main Library** on **Thursday, March 31** from **2-3:30 p.m.** *Babe* refers to the name bestowed on a piglet soon after his separation from his family, when he finds himself on a strange farm. Confused and sad, Babe is adopted by a friendly dog and slowly adjusts to his new home. Discovering that the fate of most pigs is the dinner table, Babe devotes himself to becoming a useful member of the farm by trying to learn how to herd sheep, despite the skepticism of the other animals and the kindly but conventional Farmer Hoggett. The movie is rated G and light refreshments will be served.



Teddy Bear Picnic

Teddy Bear, Teddy Bear turn around, Teddy Bear, Teddy Bear march on down...to the **Main Library**. Children ages 3 to 7 are invited to a Teddy Bear's picnic, on **Thursday, March 31** at **10 a.m.** Join us for stories, songs, crafts and more. Teddy bears or other stuffed toys are welcomed.

Registration is required and begins on March 17. Please call 226-5030 or visit the Events page at www.cmpl.org to register to attend.



Young Adult

TAC and Book Bites News

The Clinton-Macomb Public Library Teen Advisory Council (TAC) will be meeting on the **third Wednesday of every month from 4-5 p.m.** Please keep an eye out for programs sponsored by the TAC. Flyers and promotional



material are throughout the library but especially in "The Edge", the teen room upstairs at the Main Library. Check it out. Although there are no more openings on the TAC, all

teens are invited to the programs and to Book Bites, the teen book discussion group.

Book Bites meets in Conference Room B at the Main Library of the Clinton-Macomb Public Library from 5-5:45 p.m. Refreshments are provided and some teachers will give extra credit for attending. All the books discussed are available at all branches of CMPL.

The books to be discussed for the next three sessions are:

January 19:

The Gospel According to Larry by Janet Tashjian

February 16:

Staying Fat for Sarah Byrnes by Chris Crutcher

March 17:

House of the Scorpion by Nancy Farmer

Spider Man 2 @ your library

Spider Man 2 with Toby Maguire and Kirsten Dunst will be presented in the auditorium at the **Main Library** on **Friday, March 18** beginning at 6:10 p.m. The movie will be over at 8:15 p.m.

This movie is rated PG-13 and all teens in grades 6 through 12 are welcome. Refreshments will be served.

Registration is required and begins March 4. Please call 226-5044 or visit the Events page at www.cmpl.org to register.



Teen Karaoke Night

On **Friday, January 21** from **6-8 p.m.** in the auditorium of the **Main Library** the Teen Advisory Council will be presenting Teen Karaoke Night.

Bring your own disc for a standard karaoke machine and be ready to perform or just come to watch the talent. Participants will be evaluated by a panel of impartial judges and prizes will be awarded.



Refreshments will be served. **Registration for this event is required and begins on Friday, January 7.** Please call 226-5044 or visit the Events page at www.cmpl.org to register to attend.

Teen Valentine's Party

Celebrate Valentine's Day with CMPL! All teens in grades 6 through 12 are invited to a Valentine's Day Party at the **Main Library** on **Friday, February 11** from **6-8 p.m.**

Win a jar full of candy hearts by guessing how many are in the jar, play candy heart bingo with cinnamon hearts and win prizes at the Valentine cake walk. You can decorate your own Valentine cookie and a prize will be given to the most original cookie design.



Special Valentine food and love potion #9 punch will be served.

Registration is required and begins January 28. Please call the Main Library at 226-5044 or visit the Events page at www.cmpl.org to register.

Books and Beyond

If you have read all of the books by your favorite bestselling author and are looking for more, Books and Beyond is just for you! Join us at the **Main Library on January 29 at 10:30 a.m.** when Popular Materials librarians will share favorite authors and titles and give ideas of what to read next. Librarians will propose read-alikes for best-selling authors such as Sandra Brown, Janet Evanovich, Nicholas Sparks and John Grisham. They will also offer suggestions for books like *The Da Vinci Code*, *The Secret Life of Bees*, and *The Five People You Meet in Heaven*. Not content to discuss print only, librarians will also recommend some good mysteries on video. Bookmarks will be available featuring the different lists.



Light refreshments will be served. **Registration is required and begins January 15.** To register, visit the Events page at www.cmpl.org or call Popular Materials at 226-5050.

The Life and Times of Harriet Tubman

Take part in CMPL's observation of Black History Month by learning about a great civil rights activist. Learn about the Life and Times of Harriet Tubman on **Thursday, February 10 at 7 p.m.** at the **Main Library**. Meet the slave who risked her life to lead over 300 slaves to freedom on the Underground Railroad. Story-teller "Miz Rosie" Chapman brings Tubman to life in this dramatic presentation about the life of Harriet Tubman. **Registration is required and begins on January 28.** To register, call 226-5050 or visit the Events page at www.cmpl.org.



CMPL Film Series

CMPL is proud to continue its monthly film series. For the next three months we will feature documentary films that received critical acclaim and exposed humor, beauty and the sometimes harsh reality of spelling bees. All films are open to the public and no registration is required. Spend the **second Tuesday of the month** with CMPL and explore a whole new world of cinema.



Tuesday, January 11 at 6:30 p.m.

Super Size Me-Do you feel like you've put on some "holiday" weight? It's probably nothing compared to Morgan Spurlock who subjected himself to eating McDonald's three-meals-a-day for a month. Spurlock not only examines what happens while eating a solely fast food diet, but he also examines the eating habits of the American public. *Rated PG-13.*

Tuesday, February 8 at 6:30 p.m.

Winged Migration-For earthbound humans, *Winged Migration* is as close as any of us will get to sharing the sky with our fine feathered friends. This awe-inspiring, critically acclaimed documentary of migrating birds through 40 countries and every continent was captured using planes, gliders, helicopters and balloons, allowing the filmmakers a spectacularly intimate look at their subjects. *Rated G.*

Tuesday, March 8 at 6:30 p.m.

Spellbound-This documentary which follows eight kids from their early victories in regional spelling bees to the national competition in Washington, D.C., is an out-and-out nail-biter. Each of the kids is captured so vividly that you can't help but get emotionally immersed in their brave, nerve-wracking struggle to spell slippery, treacherous words. Along the way, *Spellbound* contrasts the different populations that make up the U.S. and shows how this facet of intelligence truly makes everyone equal on the podium. A riveting, wrenching, must-see movie. *Rated G.*

The Clinton River Watershed and You

Join us for this four part series, sponsored by the Clinton River Watershed Council, that highlights the health, beauty and recreational opportunities of the Clinton River Watershed. All programs take place at the **Main Library**. **Registration is required.** Please call 226-5040 or visit the Events page at www.cmpl.org to register to attend.

Wednesday, March 2 at 7 p.m.

You and Your Watershed-Did you know you live in the Clinton River Watershed? We'll discuss past local water quality problems and explore current water quality challenges. We'll highlight current efforts to restore and protect the creeks and rivers and adjacent lands within the Clinton River Watershed, and we'll share seven simple steps that you can take to help protect water quality.

Registration begins February 23.

Wednesday, March 16 at 7 p.m.

Clinton River Fish And Fishing-Join Clinton River Watershed Council staff and Rich Merlino, Fishing Manager for Orvis retail stores, and learn about the river's fish and fishing opportunities. Learn about the Michigan Department of Natural Resources' fishery management programs for the river's mainstream, Paint Creek and East Pond Creek, as well as the interesting native fish species in the watershed's headwaters. **Registration begins March 6.**

Wednesday, April 6 at 7 p.m.

Watershed-Friendly Lawn Care-Early spring is a great time to begin thinking about lawn and garden care. This interactive workshop will show you the "whys and hows" of soil testing, fertilizer selection and people/pet friendly strategies for managing pests. Discover how using native plants and rain gardens can be a beautiful way to bring beneficial wildlife into our neighborhoods. Walk away with resources and cost-effective ideas to begin making your yard more watershed-friendly this spring. **Registration begins March 23.**

Wednesday, April 13 at 7 p.m.

Watershed Recreation-Discover the dozens of outdoor recreation opportunities that exist in Macomb County. The Clinton River Watershed Council and Macomb County Planning Department will speak about area parks, river walks and the Macomb County Trailways Master Plan that will someday crisscross the county and connect communities together. **Registration begins March 30.**

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

Music at Main

The Friends of the Library Sunday concert series continues into the new year with two great performances! Come hear the beautiful harmony of PRime Vocal Jazz on **Sunday, January 9 at 2 p.m.** at the **Main Library**. Prime Vocal Jazz has performed in numerous jazz festivals throughout the world. They perform a variety of music from Mozart to the Beach Boys to Duke Ellington.



On **Sunday, March 6 at 2 p.m.** come to the **Main Library** to experience the sounds of Benny Cruz y la Buena Vida. Their Latin sounds will entertain young and old alike. Benny Cruz y la Buena Vida has performed at various festivals throughout the state.



No registration is required to attend these Sunday concerts.

Bring friends and family to enjoy a fun hour of music at the Main Library!

Used Books Wanted

The Friends of the Library are always looking for donations of used books for their used book sales. Books can be donated at any time to any CMPL location. All book donations are tax deductible. The Friends accept all types of book donations except magazines and textbooks. For more information about upcoming book sales visit the Friends page at www.cmpl.org.

Join the Friends

The Friends of the CMPL are always looking for new members. This is a wonderful opportunity for you to get involved in the community and meet terrific people. If you would like to join the Friends of the Library simply fill out a form available at any CMPL location or online. Member-ships are \$15 a year.

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of the Clinton-Macomb
Public Library

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Valentine Crafts
Main Library
- Saturday, February 5 at 12 p.m.**
Mrs. Dalloway Book Discussion
South Branch
- Tuesday, February 8 at 1 p.m.**
Main Library tour
Main Library
- Tuesday, February 8 at 4 p.m.**
Valentine Crafts (ages 4-8)
North Branch
- Tuesday, February 8 at 6:30 p.m.**
CMPL presents *Winged Migration*
Main Library
- Thursday, February 10 at 4 p.m.**
Valentine Crafts (ages 9-12)
North Branch
- Thursday, February 10 at 7 p.m.**
The Life and Times of Harriet Tubman
Main Library
- Thursday, February 10 at 7 p.m.**
The Inn at Lake Devine Book Talk
Main Library
- Friday, February 11 at 6 p.m.**
Teen Valentine's Day Party
Main Library
- Saturday, February 12 at
11 a.m. & 2 p.m.**
Valentine Crafts
South Branch
- Tuesday, February 15 at 10 a.m.**
Hanged Man's Song Book Discussion
North Branch
- Tuesday, February 15 at 7 p.m.**
Main Library tour
Main Library
- Wednesday, February 16 at 5 p.m.**
TAC/Book Bites
Main Library
- Tuesday, February 22 at 7 p.m.**
Start Your Own Book Club
Main Library
- Wednesday, February 23 at 7 p.m.**
The Secret Life of Bees Book Discussion
Main Library

Thursday, February 24 at 7 p.m.
Drumcommunity concert
Main Library

March

- Wednesday, March 2 at 6:30 p.m.**
Read Across America
All CMPL locations
- Wednesday, March 2 at 7 p.m.**
You and Your Watershed
Main Library
- Saturday, March 5 at 12 p.m.**
The Da Vinci Code Book Discussion
South Branch
- Sunday, March 6 at 2 p.m.**
Benny Cruz y la Buena Vida concert
Main Library
- Tuesday, March 8 at 6:30 p.m.**
CMPL presents *Spellbound*
Main Library
- Thursday, March 10 at 7 p.m.**
The Heart is a Lonely Hunter Book Talk
Main Library
- Tuesday, March 15 at 10 a.m.**
Killing Hour Book Discussion
North Branch
- Wednesday, March 16 at 5 p.m.**
TAC/Book Bites
Main Library
- Wednesday, March 16 at 7 p.m.**
Clinton River Fish and Fishing
Main Library
- Wednesday, March 16 at 5 p.m.**
TAC/Book Bites
Main Library
- Friday, March 18 at 6 p.m.**
TAC presents *Spider Man 2*
Main Library
- Wednesday, March 23 at 7 p.m.**
The Life of Pi Book Discussion
Main Library
- Wednesday, March 30 at 2 p.m.**
Parachute Games
North Branch
- Thursday, March 31 at 10 a.m.**
Teddy Bear Picnic
and
CMPL presents *Babe* at 2 p.m.
Main Library

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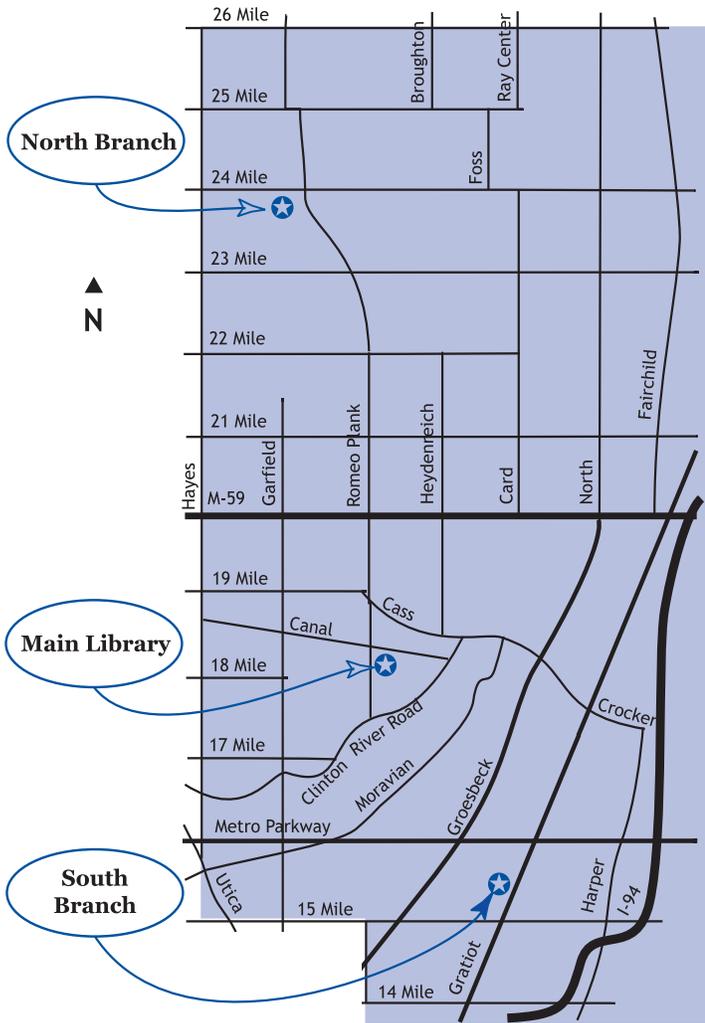
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Friday-Saturday	9 A.M.-6 P.M.
Sunday	1 P.M.-6 P.M.*

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