Summer Reading Thank You!
Make a Splash, the summer reading club for children at the Clinton-Macomb Public Library, was a success! The weeks of fun, games, activities and prizes would not have been possible without the generosity of the following groups:

- **Friends of the Library**
- **Target**
- **7-Eleven**
- **Auntie Anne's**
- **Dunkin Donuts (Cass & Groesbeck)**
- **The Great Skate**
- **Kona Ice**
- **Texas Roadhouse**

Library Closings
All CMPL locations will be closed on the following dates:

- **September 4 - September 6**
- **November 5**
- **November 25**
- **December 24-25**
- **December 31 - January 1**

We will also have special hours on following date:

- **November 24 - close at 6 p.m.**

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Priority Holds
Great news for Clinton and Macomb Township residents: waiting in line just got better! We’ve upgraded our software and now offer Priority Holds for residents. When you place a hold on an item, the computer will manage the holds queue to ensure that residents of Clinton and Macomb Townships receive priority when requesting items. Other libraries in the SLC have a computer system that gives priority to their residents when receiving holds and we are pleased to be able to offer this service to our residents. When you check your account online, your position in the holds queue will now be approximate. If you are a resident you may find that you will get items sooner than expected and nonresidents may have to wait a little longer to move up the queue.

Online Resources Uncovered
**CAREER TRANSITIONS**
Looking for a job? Hoping to change careers? Need assistance writing your resume? Career Transitions can help you with all of these and more. First, it starts with an assessment to determine your skills, occupational knowledge and interests. Next you can explore careers that are related to your interests and skills. Then you can search available jobs and e-mail your resume. One of the strongest features is a fill-in-the-blank program to easily create a professionally formatted resume. Career Transitions also includes articles, blogs, video clips, and links to local educational opportunities.

To get free access to Career Transitions from the library or from home, go to the library web site www.cmpl.org and click on the Research & Homework tab. Next look on the left side of the screen under Databases and click on Careers & Employment. Then click on Career Transitions! Follow the instructions to create an account and you can access your information at any time. Call us if you have any questions (586) 226-5040.

Quilt Raffle
Pieceable Neighbors, a quilt guild that meets at the North Branch, donated a lovely quilt to the library. It will be raffled off by The Friends of the Library during the used book sale in October. The quilt will be on display at all three locations this fall. Check out the quilt, buy a ticket and you could be the owner of a beautiful quilt just in time for winter.
From the Director...

Have you ever been travelling through a storm and hoped that the pilot of your plane, the captain of your ship or the driver of your car had the experience, skills and abilities to get you safely to your destination? As I mentioned in the spring/summer issue of Library Matters every public library I know is caught in the perfect storm of steeply declining property tax revenues, negligible interest earnings and drastically reduced state funding while experiencing greater use from customers than ever before. As the CEO of your public library I want to assure you that I am working closely with the library board, our staff and our volunteers to minimize the negative effects of this storm to continue to provide you and your family with the very best library services possible with the resources available.

Preparing the 2011 budget was a difficult task with a charge from the library board to retain hours of service and avoid layoffs and furlough days while ensuring that our facilities continue to be well maintained and our extensive collections and technology keep up-to-date. To start the staff and board came up with a wide variety of cost savings proposals, many of which have already been implemented. Some of the more interesting ideas included refunding the rest of our construction bonds to reduce interest payments (estimated to save $20,000 per year); having jail trustees spread 100 yards of mulch and weeding the grounds for the Main Library (saving nearly 100 hours in labor costs); and starting our cleaning crew half an hour early each night so we can shut the lights off earlier (about 7½ days’ worth of electricity saved in a year).

Unfortunately the savings realized by reviewing every expense with a fine-toothed comb were not enough to fill the budget gap. As with most organizations it is employees that make up the largest part of our budget. I’m not sure if I can name another profession other than social work that requires the education we do in the library profession with such comparatively low compensation. Yet I’m also not sure how many other professions would have buttons printed up that read, “Ask me why I love my job!” We do. To remain open the 10,500 hours per year with our three locations and eight service desks in 2011 the library staff will forgo salary and wage increases of any sort for a second year in a row. We have reviewed, adjusted or eliminated our benefits to be in line with the private sector. We do not provide retiree benefits. Seventy-five percent (75%) of our staff is hourly or part-time and we rely heavily on hundreds of volunteers who provided 8,126 hours (4 full-time equivalents) of service last year, not including our dedicated book sale volunteers. In fact this year our reliance on volunteer help has increased 40% over last year alone.

Even after all of these additional savings we still had to fill the gap with a reduction in the materials budget and by using some of our rainy day fund. To minimize the impact of buying fewer materials we have implemented a priority holds feature to ensure that our residents move up in line over nonresidents who use our library through our many reciprocal agreements. This brings CMPL in line with what other libraries have been doing for some time. We are also experimenting with a technique called a “floating collection” whereby items checked out at one CMPL location and returned to another will be kept at that location. This reduces staff time in handling and shipping and has proven to increase checkout rates as people find “new” items they may not have seen before if they like to browse the shelves for materials. Last, we will rely on your assistance in saving staff time as we move fines payment to our self check stations. In fact we anticipate this will greatly streamline the checkout process to clear any fines on your account.

So what does this mean for library services for the community during the great storm that will endure for public libraries through 2011? Hopefully not much. Our hours of service will not change, the facilities will be clean and safe, our programs will continue (thanks to the generous gift of $42,000 from the Friends of CMPL), our computers will continue to be up-to-date and fast, and your favorite librarians, favorite checkout staff and favorite (hopefully) library director will be here to serve you and your family for another year. We look forward to seeing you in the library in the near future.

Larry P. Neal | Library Director | (586) 226-5011 | lneal@cmpl.org

Sad Goodbye

We were saddened to learn of the passing of Richard Onaga, former member of the Library Board of Trustees from 2000-2005. Rick was a great friend and was instrumental in opening all three CMPL locations. His contributions to the library will live on in the community and he will be missed.
Bookmark Contest Winners
The Friends of the Library would like to congratulate all of the participants and winners in the Design-a-Bookmark contest. There were many wonderful entries this year and the judges narrowed it down to the following winners:

**Kindergarten-grade 3**
1st grade: Hannah Sheppard
2nd grade: Johnny Chen
3rd grade: Lauren Falzarano

**Grades 4-6**
4th grade: Abby Howington
5th grade: Peyton Kopinski
6th grade: Morgane Chretien

**Grades 7-9**
7th grade: Bethany Ferrell
8th grade: Erin Bowling
9th grade: Kenny Chen

**Grade 10-12**
10th grade: Ashley Parke
11th grade: Anthony Heinsman
12th grade: Ally Schmidt

One Book, One Community
The One Book, One Community program runs this fall. This year’s book selection is *The Book Thief* by Markus Zusak. This YA title has won multiple awards and bridged the gap between young adults and adults.

As described by the New York Times, *The Book Thief* is perched on the cusp between grown-up and young-adult fiction, and it is loaded with librarian appeal. It deplores human misery. It celebrates the power of language. It may encourage adolescents to read. It has an element of the fanciful. And it’s a book that bestows a self-congratulatory glow upon anyone willing to grapple with it.

New Self Check and Personal Payment System
Over the course of the summer you may have stopped by the library and tried out the new self-check system at the circulation desks. After months of testing, we are finally ready to roll out the new system to make checking out materials easier and faster for you.

Our new self-check system will also include a Personal Payment System interface, which will allow you to instantly resolve any fines you may have on your account while checking out. The Personal Payment System will accept cash and credit cards for payment of fines. Be on the lookout for the new interface this fall.

The Wright Brothers Journey of Invention
This fall the Lorenzo Cultural Center will open a new exhibition entitled, “American Ingenuity: Embracing the Freedom to Dream.” It will run from September 25 until November 21. On Tuesday, September 21 at 10 a.m. get a brief overview of the topic when the Main Library shows the documentary “Kitty Hawk: Wright Brothers Journey of Invention.” **Registration begins September 7.** Call 226-5040 or visit the What’s Happening page at www.cmpl.org to register.

Thank you!
Thank you to Home Depot in Roseville for providing flowers and pots for the South Branch Mother’s Day craft this past May.

Volunteer Computer Tutors Wanted
Do you have a natural gift for teaching, and enjoy working with others? The Main Library is seeking a few dedicated and patient volunteers who are knowledgeable in using computers to continue the computer tutoring program in the coming year for one-on-one or small group tutoring to teach basic computer skills to our customers. This service will enable customers who are new to computers to learn at a comfortable pace, develop confidence and get that extra instruction that they need in order to attain a core understanding of computing basics.

Anyone interested in volunteering must demonstrate familiarity with using an Internet browser, setting up and using an e-mail account, and using Microsoft Office applications such as Word. Please e-mail Kathy Champieux at kchampieux@cmpl.org if you are interested in applying for this volunteer opportunity.
CMPL Book Groups
CMPL offers three different book discussion groups to appeal to all types of book lovers. Remember, no registration is required to attend any book discussion, unless noted. Simply read the book and show up ready to discuss it.

Main Library: Novel Conversations meets on the second Thursday of each month at 7 p.m.

September 9: *The Book Thief* by Markus Zusak
October 14: *Still Alice* by Lisa Genova
November 11: *Monster of Florence* by Douglas Preston
December 9: *Let the Great World Spin* by Colum McCann

South Branch: Meet other book lovers on the second Saturday of the month at 12 p.m.

September 11: *Hotel on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet* by Jamie Ford
October 9: *Prayers for Sale* by Sandra Dallas
November 13: *The Memory of Running* by Ron McLarty
December 11: *Cutting for Stone* by Abraham Verghese

North Branch: Mystery lovers meet on the third Tuesday of each month at 10 a.m.

September 21: *Everglades* by Randy Wayne White
October 19: *The Book Thief* by Markus Zusak
November 16: *Still Life* by Louise Penny
December 21: *Case Histories* by Kate Atkinson

* Denotes One Book, One Community book discussion

Computer Classes
Computer classes at the Main Library and South Branch are back! The classes, which offer tutoring to small groups at Main and one-on-one assistance at South, are for residents of Clinton and Macomb Townships. In addition to basic computer classes, the South Branch is also pleased to offer a new class called Career Transitions, for adults looking for work in a new industry. Registration is required. You must have a valid library card with us to register for a computer class. To attend a class at the Main Library please call (586) 226-5040, with library card in hand, to reserve your spot. To attend a class at the South Branch, please call (586) 226-5073 with your library card handy.

Main Library Daytime Book Discussion
Are you looking for a daytime book discussion at the Main Library? We’re trying something new with a book discussion held in the afternoon at the Main Library. Join us to discuss *The Help* by Kathryn Stockett. Due to the popularity of the book, the library will have 10 copies of the book available for check out. If you have read the book, or have your own copy, please feel free to join the discussion. Registration begins September 2. Pick up the book at the Popular Materials Desk.

Thursday, September 23 from 3-4 p.m.
Main Library

Festival of the Senses
The 4th Annual Festival of the Senses will take place at the Clinton Township Civic Center on September 25 and September 26 from 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. The festival will highlight artists and craftspersons displaying and selling their original works of art. In addition, there will be musicians, thespians and culinary artists participating to make the event a true feast for all the senses. For more information on the festival, visit online at www.ctfestivalofthesenses.com.

Fall Garden Clean Up
Thanks to all the garden volunteers who have been helping with the monumental task of keeping the grounds at the Main and South Branch libraries looking good. The job is ongoing and we are always grateful to anyone who can contribute some time to helping throughout the summer and early fall.

We will end the season with two garden clean-up days. Please plan to bring your gloves, trowel, & pruner. We will supply the large paper refuse bags.

Saturday, October 9 from 9:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m.
Main Library

Saturday, October 16 from 9:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m.
South Branch

If this sounds like a volunteer opportunity you’d be interested in, or for more information, please contact Carole @ 226-5003 or cbannister@cmpl.org.
CMPL is pleased to offer a film series for adults. Movies are shown in the auditorium of the Main Library. Please note that it can get chilly in the room and you may wish to bring a light sweater.

Wednesday, September 8 at 6:30 p.m. and Thursday, September 16 at 1 p.m.: The Bounty Hunter. Milo, a down-on-his-luck bounty hunter, gets his dream job when he is assigned to track down his bail-jumping ex-wife, reporter Nicole. He thinks it’s an easy payday, until she gives him the slip to chase a lead on a murder cover-up. Milo soon realizes that nothing is ever simple with him and Nicole. As the two continue to one-up each other, they find themselves on the run for their lives. If they thought their promise to love, honor, and obey was tough, staying alive will be a lot tougher! Rated PG-13, 110 minutes.

Wednesday, October 20 at 6:30 p.m. and Thursday, October 21 at 1 p.m.: Alice in Wonderland. Tim Burton brings his unique take on the classic Lewis Carroll story about a girl named Alice to the big screen. Alice, now 19 years old, returns to the whimsical world she first entered as a child and embarks on a journey to discover her true destiny in a fantasy realm populated by talking playing cards, the raging Red Queen and a stark raving Mad Hatter. Rated PG, 108 minutes.

Wednesday, November 10 at 6:30 p.m. and Thursday, November 18 at 1 p.m.: The Young Victoria. This dramatization covers the turbulent first years of Queen Victoria’s rule and her enduring romance with Prince Albert. At the age of 17, Victoria was already the object of a royal power struggle as she was in line for the throne and everyone was vying to win her favor. Rated PG, 105 minutes.

Wednesday, December 8 at 6:30 p.m. and Thursday, December 16 at 1 p.m.: A Christmas Carol. Jim Carrey plays four separate roles in this updated version of the Charles Dickens’ classic. The old miser Scrooge must face the Ghosts of Christmas Past, Present and Yet-to-Come. The spirits must help bring kindness to his otherwise cold heart and remind him of the man he used to be. Rated PG, 96 minutes.
The Great Zucchini Races are on!
Ladies and gentlemen start your engines! Saturday, September 11 at 10:30 a.m. for the first annual Zucchini Races at the Main Library. Time will be allowed for you to create the “car” of your dreams. All the necessary materials for building and decorating your zucchini car will be supplied. Races will be held simultaneously. This program is for kids ages 5 and up; parents are encouraged to lend a hand.

Happy Halloween Main
Young princesses and dragons, ghosts and witches are invited to a special Halloween program at the Main Library on Wednesday, October 20 at 10 a.m. We will share stories and more for a fun time for children ages 3 - 5. Costumes are welcomed, but please no masks.

Halloween Party at North
Join us for fun, crafts, and games at the North Branch Halloween Party for kids. The festivities will be held on Thursday, October 28 at 10:30 a.m. Costumes are optional. This program is for ages 3-6.

Halloween Party at South
Wacky Hazel the Witch will join us once again at the South Branch for some Halloween fun. Wear your costumes to this fun-filled event where we will have crafts, games and candy. Join us on Saturday, October 30 at 2 p.m. Children of all ages are welcome.

Magic Workshop
Did you ever want to become a magician and learn some awesome tricks? Here’s your chance. The library is holding a magic workshop on Saturday, September 25 for kids ages 6-12. This program is being presented by Jeff Wawrzaszek from A2 Magic.

Saturday, September 25 at 10:30 a.m.
North Branch
Saturday, September 25 at 2 p.m.
South Branch

Music, Music, Music
Gari Stein from Little-Folks Music will bring her musical program to the Main Library on Saturday, October 2 at 10:30 a.m. This highly interactive and energetic program is sure to have you and your child dancing for days. This program is for ages 0 to 8 years old along with their parents, grandparents or caregivers.

Important Registration Information
Due to the popularity of some library programs we give priority registration to residents of Clinton and Macomb Townships at Main Library and North Branch programs. Registration for programs is required unless otherwise noted.

- Registration for programs at the Main Library and North Branch opens two weeks prior to the event for residents and one week in advance for non-residents.
- The South Branch will continue to offer registration for residents and non-residents two weeks in advance.

A library card is required for registration so please have your barcode handy when registering. Because of space limitations we cannot accommodate group registration for events. Please remember that you can always register online at www.cmpl.org/WhatsHappening.

Main Library 226-5030
North Branch 226-5083
South Branch 226-5073

Back-to-School Story Time
Back-to-School Story Time will take place at the North Branch on Wednesday, September 1 at 10:30 a.m. We’ll pull out our favorite back-to-school books for this fun program. This story time is for ages 4-8.

Please remember registration for programs is required unless otherwise noted.
Story Times
Priority will be given to Clinton and Macomb Township residents during the first week of registration. Please have your library card ready when you register.

If you cannot make it, we ask that you give us a quick call and let us know. If we miss you for the first two weeks, we will give your spot to the next person on the waiting list.

Session I story time will run the week of September 13 through October 14.

Registration for residents begins August 30. Registration for nonresidents begins September 7.

Session II story time will run the week of November 8 through December 9. Registration for residents begins October 25. Registration for nonresidents begins November 1. Registration is not required for the South Branch.

Main Library
Mondays at 9:30 a.m. (0 - 10 months)
Mondays at 10:30 a.m. (11 - 24 months)
Mondays at 11:15 a.m. (11 - 24 months)
Tuesdays at 10 a.m. (2 - 3 years)
Tuesdays at 11 a.m. (11 - 24 months)
Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. (2-3 years)
Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. (2 - 3 years)
Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m. (3 - 5 years)

North Branch
Tuesdays at 10 a.m. (Music and Movement, 2-4 years)
Tuesdays at 11 a.m. (Music and Movement, 2-4 years)
Wednesdays 9:15 a.m. (12 - 24 months)
Wednesdays 10:15 a.m. (3 - 6 years)
Wednesdays 11:15 a.m. (12 - 24 months)
Thursdays at 9:30 a.m. (0 - 11 months)
Thursdays 10:30 a.m. (2 - 3 years)
Thursdays 11:15 a.m. (2 - 3 years)

South Branch
Tuesdays at 10 a.m. (2 years old and up)
Wednesdays at 10 a.m. (2 years old and up)
Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. (Family)

Bedtime stories
Children ages 0-5 are invited to put on their jammies and come to the Main Library for bedtime stories at 6:30 p.m. on the following Thursdays: September 16, October 21, November 18 and December 16. No registration is required.

Baby Play Time
The Children’s Activity Room at the Main Library will open for Baby Play Time on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 9:30-11:30 a.m. during story time weeks. It will also be open the last Saturday of each month from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The North Branch offers Baby Play Time from 10-11 a.m. during story time weeks. No registration is required.

School Age Story Club
Have your children outgrown our traditional story times? We are excited to announce a new program for kids in 1st - 4th grade featuring age appropriate stories, games, crafts and fun! Session I will run the week of September 13 through October 14. Registration for residents begins August 30. Registration for nonresidents begins September 7. Session II will run the week of November 8 through December 9. Registration for residents begins October 25. Registration for nonresidents begins November 1.

Mondays at 4:15 p.m.  North Branch
Tuesdays at 6 p.m.  South Branch

Big Kid Story Time
Join us in the new Big Kid Story times once a month at the Main Library. These story times are aimed at kids in grades 1-5 and will feature a variety of stories. They may include folk tales, chapter books, or short stories, possibly a craft. The story times will be offered at 6:30 p.m. on the following dates: September 2, October 7, November 4 and December 2. No registration is required.

Lego Club
Bring your own Legos to the library for fun. No kits or Technic Legos allowed. This program is for ages 6-12.

Main Library:
Saturday, October 23 at 10 a.m.
Saturday, November 20 at 10 a.m.

North Branch:
Tuesday, November 2 at 2 p.m.

Please remember registration for programs is required unless otherwise noted.
Animal Magic
Join us at the Main Library on Tuesday, October 26 at 6:30 p.m. as Animal Magic presents “Creatures of the Night.” Mark Rosenthal will be bringing a selection of creepy critters by hearse for this special Halloween program. This is best suited for children ages 5 and older.

Little Chefs
Join us at the Main Library in the Children’s Activity Room at 6:30 p.m. to share food-related stories, a fun edible craft and simple recipes. This program is for children, ages 5-10.

Digging up Dinosaurs
Learn about dinosaurs from a dinosaur hunter. See how big a T-Rex tooth really is; imagine how big the skull would be. Join us on Saturday, November 13 as PaleoJoe presents an interesting program, bringing these fascinating animals to life. This program is best suited for children ages 5-12.

Saturday, November 13 at 10:30 a.m.  
North Branch

Saturday, November 13 at 2 p.m.  
South Branch

PAWS for Reading
Parker and Buddy will be at the Main Library on the following Mondays at 6:30 p.m.: September 13, September 27, October 11, October 25, November 8, November 22 and December 13.

Indy will also be at the Main Library at 6:30 p.m. on the following Wednesdays: September 1, October 6, November 3 and December 8.

PAWS dogs will be at the North Branch on the following Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m.: September 7, September 21, October 5, October 19, November 2, November 16, December 7 and December 21.

Moose will visit the South Branch on Monday, November 15 at 6:30 p.m.

Harry Potter Marathon
Before you see Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows part I in the movie theatres, catch up on the recent events in Harry’s life with movies five, Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix, and six, Harry Potter and the Half Blood Prince. The Main Library will be showing both movies on Saturday, November 13. Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix will start at 10 a.m. and Harry Potter and the Half Blood Prince will start at 2 p.m.
Rosco the Clown
Rosco the Clown will bring his special magic show, Read to Me, Rosco, to the Main Library on Saturday, October 30 at 10 a.m. His unique blend of humor, education and balloon animals delight young children while teaching them about the importance of reading. This program is for preschoolers, ages 3-6 but younger children are welcome. Read to Me Rosco is sponsored by the Clinton-Macomb Rotary Club.

Xtreme Readers
The South Branch has a book club for children ages 7-11 which is sponsored by the Walmart store in Clinton Township. Register for the next book club meeting and pick up your book at the South Branch reference desk on the date of the previous book club. Children who participate get to keep a copy of the book. Xtreme Readers will meet at the South Branch on Saturdays at 2 p.m. on the following dates:

Saturday, September 18 – The Indian in the Cupboard by Lynne Reid Banks
Saturday, October 23 – The Lightning Thief by Rick Riordan
Saturday, November 20 – Harriet the Spy by Louise Fitzhugh

Online Book Club
Are you in fourth or fifth grade and looking for something different to do? The Kids Read online book club may be just what you are looking for! Read any or all of the five titles listed below. Copies can be put on hold to be transferred to your branch. Then, answer the questions that are available with the book or are listed online at http://kidsreadcmpl.blogspot.com/ by e-mailing kidsread@cmpl.org. The five books for fall are:

Ramona the Pest by Beverly Cleary
The Gollywhopper Games by Jody Feldman
The Capture by Kathryn Lasky
Lawn Boy by Gary Paulsen
Clementine by Sarah Pennypacker

Christmas Crafts
Come to the Main Library on Tuesday, December 7 at 6:30 p.m. and have fun making holiday decorations for your tree and home. This program is for ages 6-9.

Toddler Crafts: Christmas Crafts
Join us at the North Branch to make some fun Christmas crafts on Tuesday, December 21 at 10 a.m. or 11 a.m. This program is for toddlers 2-4 years old.

Santa is Coming...
Santa is taking time out from his busy schedule to share stories at the library. He will be visiting all three branches to see children ages 2-12; registration is required. Parents, there will be a photo opportunity, so bring your camera.

Saturday, December 4 at 3 p.m.
Main Library
Wednesday, December 8 at 6:30 p.m.
South Branch
Saturday, December 18 at 10:30 a.m.
North Branch

Gingerbread Houses
Get ready for the holidays by making your own small gingerbread house. Join the South Branch on Saturday, December 4 at 1 p.m. or 3 p.m. Ages 3 and up.

Dinner and a Movie at Main
Looking for something different during the holiday break? Why not dinner and a movie? Bring the whole family, a blanket and a picnic dinner to the Main Library auditorium on Tuesday, December 28. The doors open at 6:15 p.m. and the movie will start at 6:30 p.m. Popcorn will be provided.

Movie Matinee
On Wednesday, December 29 the North Branch presents A Christmas Carol at 2 p.m. (Rated PG).

Magic Tree House Party
Join the North Branch as we explore some of Jack and Annie’s adventures through time at our Magic Tree House party. This program will be held on Tuesday, December 28 at 10:30 a.m. for grades 1-4.

Please remember registration for programs is required unless otherwise noted.
Teen Program Reminder
All programs are for students 6th through 12th grades in the fall ONLY. Registration is required for all programs unless otherwise noted. To register call 226-5030 or visit www.cmpl.org.

Gingerbread Houses
Come create your own gingerbread creation at the Main Library on Saturday, December 11 at 2:30 p.m. We will provide the necessary supplies, just bring your creativity! Registration begins November 27.

Teen Swap Meet
TAC will host a second Teen Media Swap at the Main Library in Conference Room B from 2-4 p.m. on Wednesday, December 29. Bring your gently used books, magazines, video games, music, movies and games to trade for credits and pick out some new things. Items should be in good working condition. Leftover items will be donated to the library’s book sale.

National Teen Read Week – October 17-23

Library Scavenger Hunt
Visit the Main Library anytime during National Teen Read Week and participate in a scavenger hunt for a chance to win prizes! Entry forms will be available in The Edge Teen Room beginning Monday, October 18. Participants must be in grades 6th - 12th grade to win prizes.

Teen Book Discussion
Join us the third Wednesday of the month at the Main Library to discuss your favorite teen books. This program will occur after the monthly TAC meeting and we will have refreshments available. Each discussion will begin at 5 p.m. in Conference Room B on the following dates:

Wednesday, September 15
Wednesday, October 20
Wednesday, November 17
Wednesday, December 15

National Gaming Day
The Teen Advisory Council will host gaming on Saturday, November 13 from 12 -2 p.m. in honor of National Gaming Day. We will have the Wii set up and the library’s collection of board games available at the Main Library. No registration is required for this event. This program will be available between the 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. movies for the Harry Potter Movie Marathon.

Gaming Open Houses
The Teen Advisory Council will host gaming for teens, grades 6-12 only. We have two Wiis, an X-BOX 360 and a PS2 for DDR. Open gaming is at the Main Library in the auditorium from 3–5 p.m. on the following Fridays:

Friday, September 17
Friday, October 22
Friday, November 19
Friday, December 17

CMPL Anime/Comic-Con
The TAC will host CMPL’s first Anime/Comic-Con on Saturday, September 25 from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. in the auditorium at the Main Library. Come dressed as your favorite character for the Cosplay contest for a chance to win prizes and participate in other Anime and Manga related activities. You can also participate in the Festival of the Senses located outside the library September 25-26.

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Wednesday, September 15 - Fantasy
Wednesday, October 20 - Science Fiction
Wednesday, November 17 - Mystery
Wednesday, December 15 – Realistic Fiction

Pizza and Paperbacks
Do you like reading? Do you like PIZZA? Join the Pizza and Paperbacks teen book club at the South Branch! Register in person at the South Branch to receive your FREE COPY of the book! We will meet the following Fridays at 4 p.m.:

Friday, September 17: The Hunger Games
Friday, October 22: Scott Pilgrim’s Precious Little Life
Friday, November 12: The Monstrumologist

2010 – 2011 Teen Advisory Council
The TAC meets to share ideas for library materials and teen programs and to eat pizza! TAC is open to teens, grades 6-12 living in Clinton and Macomb Townships. Meetings are held the third Wednesday of the month at the Main Library, September through May. Each meeting will begin at 4 p.m. in Conference Room B on the following dates:

Wednesday, September 15
Wednesday, October 20
Wednesday, November 17
Wednesday, December 15

Gaming Open Houses
The Teen Advisory Council will host gaming for teens, grades 6-12 only. We have two Wiis, an X-BOX 360 and a PS2 for DDR. Open gaming is at the Main Library in the auditorium from 3–5 p.m. on the following Fridays:

Friday, September 17
Friday, October 22
Friday, November 19
Friday, December 17

CMPL Anime/Comic-Con
The TAC will host CMPL’s first Anime/Comic-Con on Saturday, September 25 from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. in the auditorium at the Main Library. Come dressed as your favorite character for the Cosplay contest for a chance to win prizes and participate in other Anime and Manga related activities. You can also participate in the Festival of the Senses located outside the library September 25-26.

Na Ɵ Ɵonal Teen Read Week – October 17-23

Library Scavenger Hunt
Visit the Main Library anytime during National Teen Read Week and participate in a scavenger hunt for a chance to win prizes! Entry forms will be available in The Edge Teen Room beginning Monday, October 18. Participants must be in grades 6th - 12th grade to win prizes.

Teen Book Discussion
Join us the third Wednesday of the month at the Main Library to discuss your favorite teen books. This program will occur after the monthly TAC meeting and we will have refreshments available. Each discussion will begin at 5 p.m. in Conference Room B on the following dates:

Wednesday, September 15 - Fantasy
Wednesday, October 20 - Science Fiction
Wednesday, November 17 - Mystery
Wednesday, December 15 – Realistic Fiction

Pizza and Paperbacks
Do you like reading? Do you like PIZZA? Join the Pizza and Paperbacks teen book club at the South Branch! Register in person at the South Branch to receive your FREE COPY of the book! We will meet the following Fridays at 4 p.m.:

Friday, September 17: The Hunger Games
Friday, October 22: Scott Pilgrim’s Precious Little Life
Friday, November 12: The Monstrumologist
**The Book Sale**

Kids off to school, I’m running behind many errands to run, a lot on my mind.

I’m checking my list, what’s # 1? Library, gas, groceries, I’ll do what looks fun.

I come to the library and turn into the lot, I go round and round, parking there’s not.

I look and I look and finally I find, a spot at the end, I must have been blind.

I go into the building and all that I see, are people with totes, bags, and boxes, two-maybe three.

I’ll just take a peek, I’ll go in for a minute, I go into the BIG ROOM to see what is in it.

I blink as I enter, this just can’t be, boxes of books in every category.

I take the bag from the lady who stands at the door, I fill it with books and she tells me there’s more.

I think to myself I’m spending too much, and then see a sign of the pricing and such.

I look at the time, see it’s half past three, but three other rooms are waiting for me.

I go through them all and know I am late, but shopping, gas, groceries surely can wait.

I’ll do them tomorrow I promise myself, maybe even return for more books for the shelf.

The line-up for checkout is not very long, got all these great books for nearly a song.

I’m ready to leave with books that are great and they give me a flyer with next year’s sale dates.

Written by Janet Dunn, Friends of the Library Secretary, Macomb Township Trustee and book sale shopper!

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**Fall Used Book Sale**

Get a great deal on thousands of books! Stop by the Main Library on any of the following dates to get a great deal on classics, bestsellers, children’s books and more! Please note that strollers are not allowed in the book sale rooms on Wednesday or Thursday. A membership to the Friends of the Library is available at any time at any CMPL location. Pick up a Friends brochure to find out more about this great organization.

- **Wednesday, October 13**
  5:30-8:30 p.m.
  Friends Night Only

- **Thursday, October 14**
  12 p.m.-8 p.m.

- **Friday, October 15 and Saturday, October 16**
  9:30 a.m.-5 p.m.

- **Sunday, October 17**
  1:15-3:15 p.m.
  Bag Day

- **Monday, October 18**
  9:30 a.m.-12 p.m. (based on availability)
  Free Day

**Volunteer for the Book Sale**

The Friends of the Library are always in need of volunteers to help set up for the used book sale. Activities include moving and sorting books, bagging purchases and restocking books. If you want to help, please stop by the Main Library at any of the following times:

- **Wednesday, October 6 & Thursday, October 7**
  4-8 p.m.

- **Friday, October 8 & Saturday, October 9**
  9:30 a.m.-2 p.m.

- **Sunday, October 10**
  1:15-5 p.m.

- **Monday, October 11**
  9:30 a.m.-2 p.m.
Exploring Cyber Safety
What do you do on the Internet? Do you shop, manage your finances, chat with friends, catch up on the news? The Internet is everywhere in American life, but even as it provides us with new and unique opportunities, it also raises elements of concern. On the Internet, how can you tell who is trustworthy and who isn't? How can you protect yourself from computer viruses and identity theft? How should children and young adults, often assumed to be “digital natives,” be educated as responsible Internet citizens? These questions may look a little intimidating, but you will find that the answers are right at your fingertips. An upcoming event, “Exploring Cyber Safety” will give you the background and resources you need to face the Internet with confidence.

The Main Library presentation on cyber safety on Saturday, September 11 from 2-3 p.m. will introduce the elements of Internet Safety, with information on the issues, online resources and common-sense tips to improve your Internet experience. Basic Internet safety concepts, such as password generation, virus and identity theft protection will be covered. A special section on cyber safety for children will include information on filter software, online predators and cyber-bullying, as well as general guidelines on how to be involved in your child’s online life. Registration begins August 28. Visit the What’s Happening page at www.cmpl.org or call 226-5040.

Art and Politics
The rules of governance have been a part of our lives since ancient times. A character in this year’s One Book, One Community selection, The Book Thief, sketches during World War II reflecting on the politics of the war. On Monday, September 20 at 7 p.m. a speaker from the Detroit Institute of Arts will visit the Main Library to help us take a look at how art can reflect the politics of the nations and peoples of the world from ancient times through the present. Registration begins September 7. Call 226-5040 or visit the What’s Happening page at www.cmpl.org to register.

Once Upon a Crime
Come to the Main Library at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, September 29 to hear more about the mystery, suspense, thriller and detective fiction we have to offer at the library. Our librarians have scoured the shelves and will give you the inside scoop on the authors you must read and the titles you should check out. Participants should come with one or more of their favorite mysteries or thrillers to share with the group. Registration begins September 15. Call 226-5050 or visit the What’s Happening page at www.cmpl.org to register.

Honor the Military
Clinton Township is hosting The Wall that Heals to honor Vietnam Veterans September 2-6 on the grounds between the Civic Center and the Main Library. In honor of all veterans the Main Library will present a screening of the HBO film Taking Chance on Wednesday, September 1 at 7 p.m. The film documents the true story of a soldier’s death in battle and his return home. The Main Library will also feature a display of military paraphernalia in August in anticipation of The Wall that Heals coming to Clinton Township. For more information, please visit www.clintontownship-mi.gov/wallthatheals.

Friends Annual Meeting
Join the Friends of the Library for a celebration of another wonderful year on Tuesday, September 14 at 7 p.m. The Friends will welcome the Swing Shift Jazz Ensemble. They will perform old and new jazz standards mixed with a few pop songs... but always with a twist of jazz. This concert is free and all ages are welcome. No registration is required. Bring the family to enjoy this great concert. The Friends will also provide refreshments free of charge. The program will be preceded by a brief ten-minute meeting of the members of the Friends of the Library.
Trail-Blazing Women of the 20th Century

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Dickensian Christmas with Fran

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Card Making at the South Branch

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Railroads

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September

Wednesday, September 1 10:30 a.m.
Back-to-School Story Time
North Branch

Wednesday, September 1 at 7 p.m.
CMPL presents Taking Chance
Main Library

September 4-6
CLOSED for Labor Day
All locations

Wednesday, September 8 at 6:30 p.m.
CMPL presents The Bounty Hunter
Main Library

Thursday, September 9 at 7 p.m.
The Book Thief Book Discussion
Main Library

Saturday, September 11 at 10:30 a.m.
Zucchini Races
Main Library

Saturday, September 11 at 12 p.m.
Hotel on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet Book Discussion
South Branch

Saturday, September 11 at 2 p.m.
Exploring Cyber Safety
Main Library

Tuesday, September 14 at 7 p.m.
Music at Main: Swing Shift
Main Library

Wednesday, September 15 at 4 p.m.
TAC Meeting
Main Library

Wednesday, September 15 at 5 p.m.
Teen Book Club
Main Library

Thursday, September 16 at 1 p.m.
CMPL presents The Bounty Hunter
Main Library

Friday, September 17 at 3 p.m.
Teen Gaming Open House
Main Library

Friday, September 17 at 4 p.m.
Pizza and Paperbacks
South Branch

Saturday, September 18 at 2 p.m.
Xtreme Readers
South Branch

Monday, September 20 at 7 p.m.
DIA: Art and Politics
Main Library

Tuesday, September 21 at 10 a.m.
Everglades Book Discussion
North Branch

Tuesday, September 21 at 10 a.m.
Wright Brothers Documentary
Main Library

Thursday, September 23 at 3 p.m.
The Help Book Discussion
Main Library

Saturday, September 25 at 10:30 a.m.
Magic Workshop
North Branch

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Job Help Workshop
South Branch

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Main Library

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Railroads
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Little Chefs
Main Library

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Once Upon a Crime
Main Library

October

Saturday, October 2 at 10:30 a.m.
Gari Stein Music
Main Library

Saturday, October 9 at 9:30 a.m.
Fall Garden Clean Up
Main Library

Saturday, October 9 at 10 a.m.
Autumn Crafts
Main Library

Saturday, October 9 at 12 p.m.
Prayers for Sale Book Discussion
South Branch

Wednesday-Monday, October 13-18
Used Book Sale
Main Library

Thursday, October 14 at 7 p.m.
Still Alice Book Discussion
Main Library

Saturday, October 16 at 9:30 a.m.
Fall Garden Clean Up
South Branch

Tuesday, October 19 at 10 a.m.
The Book Thief Book Discussion
North Branch

Wednesday, October 20 at 10 a.m.
Halloween Stories
Main Library

Wednesday, October 20 at 4 p.m.
TAC Meeting
Main Library

Wednesday, October 20 at 5 p.m.
Teen Book Club
Main Library

Wednesday, October 20 at 6:30 p.m.
CMPL presents Alice in Wonderland
Main Library

Thursday, October 21 at 1 p.m.
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Main Library

Friday, October 22 at 3 p.m.
Teen Gaming Open House
Main Library

Friday, October 22 at 4 p.m.
Pizza and Paperbacks
South Branch

Saturday, October 23 at 10 a.m.
Lego Club
Main Library

Saturday, October 23 at 2 p.m.
Xtreme Readers
South Branch

Tuesday, October 26 at 6:30 p.m.
Animal Magic
Main Library

Wednesday, October 27 at 10 a.m.
Bats at the Library Movie and Craft
South Branch

Wednesday, October 27 at 6:30 p.m.
Little Chefs
Main Library

Wednesday, October 27 at 10 a.m.
Identity Theft & Phone/Mail Scams
Main Library

Thursday, October 28 at 10:30 a.m.
Halloween Party
North Branch

Saturday, October 30 at 10 a.m.
Rosco the Clown
Main Library
Saturday, October 30 at 2 p.m.  
Halloween Party  
South Branch

**November**  
Tuesday, November 2 at 10 & 10:30 a.m.  
Parachute Games  
South Branch  

Tuesday, November 2 at 2 p.m.  
Lego Club  
North Branch

**Thursday, November 4 at 7 p.m.**  
Film and Discussion: Emma Goldman  
Main Library

**Friday, November 5**  
CLOSED for staff in-service  
All CMPL locations

**Wednesday, November 10 at 6:30 p.m.**  
CMPL presents *The Young Victoria*  
Main Library

**Thursday, November 11 at 7 p.m.**  
Film and Discussion: Mary Pickford  
Main Library  

**Thursday, November 11 at 7 p.m.**  
Monster of Florence Book Discussion  
Main Library

**Friday, November 12 at 4 p.m.**  
Pizza and Paperbacks  
South Branch

**Saturday, November 13 at 10 a.m.**  
CMPL presents *Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix*  
Main Library

**Saturday, November 13 at 10:30 a.m.**  
Palojoe  
North Branch

**Saturday, November 13 at 12 p.m.**  
Teen National Gaming Day  
Main Library

**Saturday, November 13 at 12 p.m.**  
The Memory of Running Book Discussion  
South Branch

**Saturday, November 13 at 2 p.m.**  
CMPL presents *Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince*  
Main Library

**Saturday, November 13 at 2 p.m.**  
Palojoe  
South Branch

**Sunday, November 14 at 2 p.m.**  
Music at Main: Mr. B  
Main Library

**Tuesday, November 16 at 10 a.m.**  
Still Life Book Discussion  
North Branch

**Wednesday, November 17 at 4 p.m.**  
TAC Meeting  
Main Library

**Wednesday, November 17 at 5 p.m.**  
Teen Book Club  
Main Library

**Thursday, November 18 at 1 p.m.**  
CMPL presents *The Young Victoria*  
Main Library

**Friday, November 19 at 3 p.m.**  
Teen Gaming Open House  
Main Library

**Saturday, November 20 at 10 a.m.**  
Lego Club  
Main Library

**Saturday, November 20 at 11 a.m.**  
Card Making  
South Branch

**Saturday, November 20 at 2 p.m.**  
Xtreme Readers  
South Branch

**Tuesday, November 23 at 6:30 p.m.**  
Little Chefs  
Main Library

**Thursday, November 25**  
CLOSED for Thanksgiving  
All CMPL locations

**December**

**Wednesday, December 1 at 7 p.m.**  
Dickensian Christmas  
Main Library

**Saturday, December 4 at 1 & 3 p.m.**  
Gingerbread Houses  
South Branch

**Saturday, December 4 at 3 p.m.**  
Santa Visits  
Main Library

**Sunday, December 5 at 2 p.m.**  
Music at Main: Great Lakes Chorus  
Main Library

**Tuesday, December 7 at 6:30 p.m.**  
Christmas Crafts  
Main Library

**Wednesday, December 8 at 6:30 p.m.**  
Santa Visits  
South Branch

**Wednesday, December 8 at 6:30 p.m.**  
CMPL presents *A Christmas Carol*  
Main Library

**Thursday, December 9 at 7 p.m.**  
Let the Great World Spin Book Discussion  
Main Library

**Saturday, December 11 at 12 p.m.**  
Cutting for Stone Book Discussion  
South Branch

**Saturday, December 11 at 2:30 p.m.**  
Gingerbread Houses  
Main Library

**Wednesday, December 15 at 4 p.m.**  
TAC Meeting  
Main Library

**Wednesday, December 15 at 5 p.m.**  
Teen Book Club  
Main Library

**Thursday, December 16 at 1 p.m.**  
CMPL presents *A Christmas Carol*  
Main Library

**Friday, December 17 at 3 p.m.**  
Teen Gaming Open House  
Main Library

**Saturday, December 18 at 10:30 a.m.**  
Santa Visits  
North Branch

**Tuesday, December 21 at 10 a.m.**  
Case Histories Book Discussion  
North Branch

**Tuesday, December 21 at 10 & 11 a.m.**  
Toddler Crafts: Christmas Crafts  
North Branch

**Wednesday, December 22 at 6:30 p.m.**  
Little Chefs  
Main Library

**December 24 & December 25**  
CLOSED for the holiday  
All CMPL locations

**Tuesday, December 28 at 10:30 a.m.**  
Magic Tree House Party  
North Branch

**Tuesday, December 28 at 6:30 p.m.**  
Dinner and a Movie for Families  
Main Library

**Wednesday, December 29 at 2 p.m.**  
CMPL presents *A Christmas Carol*  
North Branch

**December 31 & January 1**  
CLOSED for the holiday  
All CMPL locations
The Friends of the Library are bringing back the concert series at the Main Library. Join us for a free hour of music open to all ages. The Friends of the Library will also be on hand to sell the best of their used books to support programs such as the concert series.

**Tuesday, September 14 at 7 p.m.: Swing Shift Jazz Ensemble.** Performing old and new jazz standards mixed with a few pop songs...but always with a twist of jazz.

**Sunday, November 14 at 2 p.m.: Mr. B.** Mark Lincoln Braun, better known as Mr. B will bring his brand of blues and boogie-woogie piano to the Main Library. For over 30 years, Mr. B has been delighting audiences worldwide with his boogie and blues piano playing. He learned his craft directly from blues and boogie legends, and today he further promotes his art by frequently collaborating with mainstream jazz pianists.

**Sunday, December 5 at 2 p.m.: Great Lakes Chorus of Sweet Adelines International.** The Great Lakes Chorus will be here to share their wonderful choral tunes with a selection of holiday, patriotic and old standards in beautiful 4-part harmony. An award-winning show chorus, Great Lakes has entertained people in the Metro-Detroit area with its classy brand of barbershop harmony for nearly 50 years.