Hours and Closings
All locations will be closed on Tuesday, January 1 and Sunday, March 31 for the holidays.

Lincoln: The Constitution and the Civil War
Lincoln: The Constitution and the Civil War, a traveling exhibition for libraries is on display at the Main Library now through February 8. It was organized by the National Constitution Center and the American Library Association Public Programs Office. The traveling exhibition has been made possible by a major grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities. Lincoln: The Constitution and the Civil War is based on an exhibition of the same name developed by the National Constitution Center. For information about programs being held in conjunction with this exhibit, please see page 4.

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You’re Invited to Taste of the Town--A Motown Lounge
Friday, May 3 from 6:30-10 p.m. • Main Library
After a successful anniversary party last year, we’ve decided to make it an annual event! Bring your family, friends and neighbors to the Taste of the Town--A Motown Lounge. The Main Library will once again be transformed into a fun-filled celebration. This year’s theme will pay tribute to the smooth sounds of Motown with a concert featuring The Michael Davis Show. Included will be a wide variety of foods from local eateries, a cash bar with signature “Motini” cocktails, wine and beer, raffle baskets and more. The evening promises to delight with an array of culinary treats and top-notch entertainment. Last year this benefit was an overwhelming success with over 300 in attendance and $7,800 raised for library services. This year’s proceeds will go towards children’s literacy.

Tickets are available for $30 at any CMPL location or online at www.cmpl.org/GetInvolved/GetTickets.asp. They will also be sold for $40 at the door. If you’re looking for a unique birthday or Mother’s Day gift, this is it!

Used Book Nook Thrives
You’re probably familiar with the Friends of the Library. This year the Friends of the Library have pledged $60,000 in support, which the library relies on to continue to offer programs for all ages and offer cutting edge technology like eReaders.

One of the newest ways the Friends of the Library are raising money is through a book store at the Main Library. The Used Book Nook sells newer items for adults and children and books on a variety of topics. In the last year the Used Book Nook has raised about $2,000 a month! If you haven’t visited, it is located in the café area near the elevator. Stop by and help support the Friends of the Library.
While I am pleased that you are reading this column, imagine for a minute that the letters, words and sentence structure on this page appeared as one of the examples below:

Ωμιλε ι αμ πλέασε δ τητ ιου αρε ρεαδινγ την χολυμν, ιμαγίνε φορ α μίνυτε
tητ τηε λετετςρς, ωρόδε ανδ σεντέντζε στρυκτυρε ον την ραγε αππεαιεδ
λικε ονε οφ τηε εξαμπλεσ βελοβ:

While I am pleased that you are reading this column, imagine for a minute that the letters, words and sentence structure on this page appeared as one of the examples below:

This is what adults who are functionally illiterate face on a daily basis. A staggering 47% of Detroit adults and roughly 13-15% (1 in 7) of Macomb County adults fall into this category. Tasks that we may take for granted such as filling out a job application, texting a friend, reading a prescription or doctor’s orders, voting, helping a child with homework or reading a good book are out of reach for a significant number of people in our community.

While we may not know anyone personally who is illiterate, the effects on society are significant:

- Michigan would save more than $750 million in health care costs over the lifetimes of each class of dropouts had they graduated.
- Low literacy is directly connected to poverty and dramatically impacts our region’s economy.
- Learning to read begins long before a child enters school. Parents who are poor readers don’t read as often to their children as do parents who are strong readers; children who are not read to enter school less prepared to learn than other children.
- The link between adult literacy and incarceration is well established. More than 45% of all inmates in local jails, 40% in state facilities and 27% in federal corrections institutions did not graduate from high school.

As the recently elected president of Macomb Literacy Partners, a Clinton Township-based nonprofit organization established in 1984 to eliminate adult illiteracy in Macomb County, I am pleased to be a part of the solution. The organization pairs volunteer tutors and participants who are eager to learn how to read. If you have a friend, neighbor, coworker or family member who has trouble reading, Macomb Literacy Partners may be able to help. We work with adults 18 or older who have difficulty accomplishing day-to-day tasks because of difficulty reading.

Sadly, the waiting list of students is greater than the number of tutors we have available. If you or someone you know would like to help others learn how to read, tutoring may be for you! Tutors complete a 12-hour training course and then agree to work with a participant for two hours per week in a public location such as the library for a minimum of a year. Becoming a tutor can change a life (and not just that of the participant assigned to you). For further information, please contact Macomb Literacy Partners at (586) 286-2750 or www.macombliteracy.org.

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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, January 9 at 6:30 p.m. and Thursday, January 17 at 1 p.m.: Rock of Ages. Starring Tom Cruise and Alec Baldwin. Rated PG-13, 123 minutes.

Wednesday, February 13 at 6:30 p.m. and Thursday, February 21 at 1 p.m.: The Odd Life of Timothy Green. Starring Jennifer Garner and Joel Edgerton. Rated PG, 105 minutes.

Wednesday, March 13 at 6:30 p.m. and Thursday, March 21 at 1 p.m.: The Dark Knight Rises. Starring Christian Bale and Anne Hathaway. Rated PG-13, 113 minutes.

Wednesday, April 24 at 6:30 p.m. and Thursday, April 25 at 1 p.m.: Trouble with the Curve. Starring Clint Eastwood and Amy Adams. Rated PG-13, 111 minutes.

**Business, Marketing and Demographic Research**

Demographics Now is a specialized database designed to help anyone wishing to create a sales lead list, locate businesses or people, size a market, find your competition or create a demographic profile of any geographic area in the U.S. Some of the important uses for Demographics Now include:

- Search for an individual company or create a mailing list from over 23 million businesses.
- Create a report that will define the market potential for goods and services, which can then be incorporated into a business plan.
- Find out who your competition is and help choose the most advantageous location.
- Search for an individual, friend or relative or create a market research list from over 206 million people.
- Access a demographic report on any geography or compare multiple geographies for information including income, housing, age, education, retail spending, consumer expenditures and more.

Video tutorials on the web site precisely demonstrate all of the many research possibilities. Call 226-5040 for more information and guidance in getting started with this valuable resource.

**North Branch Lockers**

Do you find that there aren’t enough hours in the day to pick up your holds? We make it easy with the North Branch 24-hour locker system. The in-lobby locker system offers the convenience of picking up your holds after our normal business hours with a quick call and your library card. Just let us know by calling 226-5082 that you’d like your holds to be put in a locker. We’ll walk you through the process, and hold your items in a locker for three days.

**Computer Classes**

Introductory computer classes start in January at the Main Library and South Branch. Classes offered include: Computer Basics, Internet, Email 1, Email 2, Microsoft Word and Microsoft Excel. Each 90-minute session is designed for adults who are new to computers and are looking to learn basic skills.

Classes are open to residents of Clinton & Macomb Townships with a library card in good standing. Classes are offered January through May. Please have your library card with you when you call to register. **Registration begins Monday, January 7 at the South Branch (226-5073) and Monday, January 14 at the Main Library (226-5040).**
CMPL Book Groups
CMPL offers different book discussion groups to appeal to all types of book lovers. Simply read the book and show up ready to discuss it. Copies of the books are available at the location of the book discussion one month in advance of the program.

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

January 12: Gone with the Wind by Margaret Mitchell
February 9: All Things New by Lynn Austin
March 9: The Paris Wife by Paula McLain
April 13: Clara and Mr. Tiffany by Susan Vreeland

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

January 15: Guilt by Association by Marcia Clark
February 19: The Pawn by Steven James
March 19: The Last Child by John Hart
April 16: Vanishing Act by Thomas Perry

Donations
Thank you to the following organizations for their recent donations to the South Branch:

- Nino Salvaggio
- Walmart
- Target

Nino’s donated pie pumpkins for the Halloween party. Walmart donated school supplies and prizes for programs. Target donated $2,000 to book discussion groups.

Lincoln: The Constitution and the Civil War
Emancipation Proclamation: 150 Years Later
Thursday, January 10 at 6:30 p.m. • Main Library
The Emancipation Proclamation is considered one of President Abraham Lincoln’s most significant achievements and one of the nation’s most sacred documents. Its announcement in September of 1862, however, was far from universally praised. Indeed, a great many Americans questioned the constitutionality of the proclamation and President Lincoln’s authority to issue it. This talk will provide an overview of Lincoln’s move toward emancipation and of the constitutional issues that were at the heart of this debate. Registration begins December 27.

Fifth Michigan Regiment Band
Sunday, January 13 at 2 p.m. • Main Library
Don’t miss a repertoire of pre-1865 compositions performed on antique and replica instruments. Performances include music, instruments, attire, flags, and customs of the era. No registration is required.

Why Did He Wait So Long?
Monday, January 21 at 6:30 p.m. • Main Library
Join Fred Priebe as he transforms into Abraham Lincoln and delves into the journey of Lincoln’s arrival at the Emancipation Proclamation. Learn why he decided to issue it when he did. Registration begins January 7.

Abraham Lincoln: Preserving the Union
Thursday, January 31 at 10 a.m. • Main Library
From his rustic childhood to his tragic death, this documentary details the life of Abraham Lincoln. Registration begins January 10.

‘Be A Money SMARTY!’
Part of the Federal Reserve Bank’s Money Smart Week, ‘Be A Money SMARTY!’ brings together recognized experts to present on money-related topics you need to know about. Join Mark Robinson, OFIR, MSU Extension and other experts on Saturday, April 27 from 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m. at the Macomb Intermediate School District (44001 Garfield Road, Clinton Township) for Be a Money Smarty.

By attending you’ll get the latest up-to-date information on credit and debt, identity theft and fraud, annuities and long-term care and pre and post-retirement planning in easy 10-15 minute increments. Email MoneySmartMichiganMacomb@gmail.com to reserve your seat.

This program is made possible by the Michigan Office of Financial and Insurance Regulation, and the Investor Protection Trust, Washington D.C.
Children

Winter Reading Club
Monday, February 4 - Saturday, March 30 • All locations
The cold winter days provide plenty of opportunity to Chill Out and Read for our winter reading program! Kids in kindergarten through grade 6 are invited to pick up a BINGO reading log at any CMPL location between February 4 and March 30. Complete five activities across, down or diagonally and bring your form back to the library to pick a prize from our treasure chest. Participate as many times as you wish, but all forms are due March 30. A grand prize drawing will be held in each building at the end of the program from all entries submitted. Little kids ages 0 to 5 can participate too. Complete three rows in any direction on the special Bingo for Little Kids form, then bring it back to the library to choose a prize from the treasure box.

Annual Preschool Fair
Saturday, January 26 from 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. • Main Library
Will your child be heading off to preschool next fall? How do you decide which preschool program is best for your child? The Clinton-Macomb Public Library wants to help you with this important decision when we host the annual preschool fair. More than a dozen area preschools will have displays showcasing their programs and a representative to answer questions. Come by any time during the morning to learn more about these schools.

Movie Morning
Monday, January 21 at 10:30 a.m. • Main Library
The Main Library will be showing the movie *The Mouse and the Motorcycle*. When Ralph finds a shining new motorcycle, he takes it out and roars off into exciting adventures. Kids ages 4-9 will enjoy riding along with Ralph.

Scout tours
Assorted dates at 6:30 p.m. • Main Library
In recognition of “March is Reading Month” the Main Library’s children’s department will be offering tours for Scout groups from Clinton or Macomb Township. Choose from one of the following dates: Monday, March 4, Tuesday, March 12, Wednesday, March 20 or Thursday, March 28. All tours begin at 6:30 p.m. Please call 226-5030 for more information or to register your scout group for a tour.

Winter Reading Scramble
Someone hid the letters of our winter reading slogan! Search for the letters between February 25 and March 9. Write the letters you find on the special entry form and return it to the children’s desk at Main or the reference desk at the branches. A winner will be randomly drawn from the correct entries at each building.

Enrollment Information
• When you see this it means that enrollment is required before the program.

• Priority enrollment is given to residents of Clinton and Macomb Townships at the Main Library and North Branch and opens two weeks prior to the event for residents and one week in advance for non-residents.

• The South Branch offers enrollment for residents and non-residents two weeks in advance.

A library card is required for registration, so please have your barcode handy when registering. We cannot accommodate group enrollment for events. You can always register online.

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Story Times
Story times will take place the week of January 7 through the week of February 14. Session II will begin the week of April 15 through the week of May 24. Join us:

Main Library
Baby Time on Mondays at 9:30 a.m. (2-11 months)
Tot Time Plus on Mondays at 10:30 a.m. (12-30 months)
Little Listeners on Tuesdays at 10 a.m. (2-3 years)
Tot Time on Tuesdays at 11 a.m. (12-23 months)
Little Listeners on Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. (2-3 years)
Little Listeners on Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. (2-3 years)
Preschoolers on Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m. (3-6 years)

North Branch
Music and Movement on Tuesdays at 10 a.m. (2-4 years)
Music and Movement on Tuesdays at 11 a.m. (2-4 years)
Tot Time on Wednesdays at 9:15 a.m. (12-23 months)
Preschoolers on Wednesdays at 10:15 a.m. (3-6 years)
Tot Time on Thursdays at 9:30 a.m. (2-11 months)
Little Listeners on Thursdays at 10:30 a.m. (2-3 years)
Little Listeners on Thursdays at 11:15 a.m. (2-3 years)

South Branch (No registration is required at South Branch.)
Tot Time Plus on Tuesdays at 9:15 a.m. (12-30 months)
Little Listeners Plus on Tuesdays at 10 a.m. (2 years +)
Little Listeners Plus on Wednesdays at 10 a.m. (2 years+)

Pajamarama
2nd Wednesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. • South Branch
3rd Thursday of the month at 6:30 p.m. • Main Library
Children can put on their pajamas and enjoy stories before bedtime. No registration is required.

PAWS for Reading
2nd and 4th Mondays at 6:30 p.m. • Main Library and South Branch
1st and 3rd Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. • North Branch
Do you have a child who has a hard time reading? Help them gain confidence in their skills by reading to a trained PAWS dog. No registration is required.

Lists We Love
Are you looking for a specific type of book? We have compiled lists on a variety of topics to help you find the right book to read to your little one. Categorized in lists by age range, grade level, award winners, milestones and favorites, the Lists We Love section of the website can help you find what you’re looking for. You can find the Lists We Love at http://www.cmpl.org/WeRecommend/ListsWeLove-Children.asp.

Lego Fun
Saturdays: January 19, March 2 and April 27 at 10 a.m. • Main Library
Bring your Legos and have fun building! We supply the theme and you have about 30 minutes to make something new, then time to see what everyone else created. Everyone gets a new Lego piece and a few Lego kits will be awarded. For ages 6-12. R

School Age Story Club
Mondays at 4:15 p.m. during story time weeks • North Branch
Have your children outgrown our traditional story times? School Age Story Club at the North Branch for kids in 1st - 4th grade features age appropriate stories, games, crafts and fun! Session I will run the week of January 7-February 11. Session II will run the week of April 15-May 20. R

Baby Play Time
Playgroup occurs during story time weeks at the Main Library on: Mondays, Tuesdays, and Wednesdays from 9:30 a.m.-12 p.m. and on the last Saturday of the month from 10 a.m.-2 p.m.
The North Branch will host play time for ages 0-24 months from 10-11 a.m. on Mondays during story time weeks. No registration is required.

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Make a Valentine
Saturday, February 2 at 2 p.m. • South Branch
Saturday, February 9 at 10:30 a.m. • North Branch
Stop by the branches to make Valentines for the patients at Henry Ford Macomb Hospital. We will provide the supplies and patterns, and you will create the cards. This program is for ages 6-12. R

This Valentine’s Day, you can send a card to patients at Henry Ford Macomb Hospital in Clinton Township. Make or buy a Valentine’s Day card, fill it out, and drop it off at any CMPL location from February 4-9. Please avoid glitter and leave the envelope unsealed. Because many patients at the hospital are long term, please do not include any messages about getting well or feeling better.

Music for Little Folks
Saturday, February 23 at 10 a.m. • Main Library
Gari Stein from Little-Folks Music will bring her family music program. This interactive program is sure to have you and your young child dancing for days. This program is for ages 0 to 5 years old along with their parents, grandparents or caregivers. R

Clifford’s Birthday Party
Monday, February 18 at 10:30 a.m. for ages 3-6 • Main Library
Thursday, February 21 at 10:30 a.m. for ages 3-6 • North Branch
Saturday, February 23 at 11 a.m. for ages 2 & up • South Branch
Clifford the Big Red Dog is celebrating his 50th birthday on February 15th and CMPL will be celebrating with him. Join each location for a special birthday party filled with stories, games, and activities. Clifford will be making a special appearance, so bring your cameras! R

Valentine Crafts
Saturday, February 2 at 10:30 a.m. • Main Library
Celebrate Valentine’s Day with crafts and cookies at the Main Library. This program is for ages 6-9. R

Kumihimo Bracelets
Monday, February 18 at 2 p.m.
• North Branch
Kumihimo bracelets are created using a spiral weaving technique to form a colorful bracelet. Join us as we provide the supplies and show kids ages 7-12 this technique. R

The Pied Piper is Coming
Wednesday, February 20 at 10:30 a.m. • North Branch
The Michigan Opera Touring Company will present The Pied Piper of Hamlín. This is a delightful musical adaptation of the classic fairy tale. This program is for children ages 5 to 12. R

Seussabration at South
Saturday, March 2 at 2 p.m. • South Branch
The Cat in the Hat is coming to the South Branch to celebrate the birthday of Dr. Seuss. There will be stories, songs, and crafts for children of all ages. R

Seussabration at Main
Friday, March 1 from 10 a.m.-12 p.m. • Main Library
Come celebrate Dr. Seuss’ birthday! Drop in to read some stories or create your own. Make-and-take-it crafts will also be available. All ages are invited, no registration is required.

Movie Matinee
Saturday, March 2 at 1 p.m. • North Branch
Children ages 12 and under are invited to celebrate Dr. Seuss’ birthday with a screening of The Lorax. R

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Play to Learn
There are 5 simple practices that help children get ready to read. They are talking, singing, reading, writing, and play. We have put together these practices with popular children’s books to create one innovative, fun-filled program. Children ages 2-4 and their parents or caregivers will work at various stations of fun activities. R

Main Library
Thursday, February 14 at 10 a.m.: Color Zoo
Thursday, March 14 at 10 a.m.: Lunch
Thursday, April 18 at 10 a.m.: Mouse Paint

North Branch
Tuesday, February 26 at 10 a.m.: Polar Bear, Polar Bear, What Do You Hear? by Bill Martin, Jr.
Tuesday, March 26 at 10 a.m.: Pete the Cat by Eric Lutwin

South Branch
Tuesday, February 26 at 10 a.m.: Polar Bear, Polar Bear, What Do You Hear? by Bill Martin, Jr.
Tuesday, March 19 at 10 a.m.: Nursery Rhymes

Dancin’ @ Main
Mondays: March 4 and April 1 at 10:30 a.m. ♦ Main Library
Come put on your dancin’ shoes and join us for a dance party. For ages 2-6 years old. R

Toddler Crafts
Tuesday, March 5 and Tuesday, April 2 at 6:30 p.m. ♦ Main Library
Join us in a variety of activities that you and your toddler can do together. This program is for ages 2-4 years old. R

Super Hero Party
Saturday, March 9 at 2 p.m. ♦ Main Library
Put on your best Superhero costume and try out your Superhero Skills at the Superhero party! This program is for ages 3-8 years old. R

Bunny Hop
Tuesday, March 5 at 10 a.m. ♦ South Branch
Bring your stuffed bunny (or other favorite stuffed toy) to the South Branch for a hoppin’ good time. Children ages 2 ½-5 and bunnies will enjoy a craft, a game, songs, stories and a snack. R

Bunny Hop
Thursday, March 28 at 10:30 a.m. ♦ North Branch
Visit us for a hoppin’ good time! Kids ages 3-6 will enjoy stories, crafts, and games. R

Music from the Heart
Monday, March 11 at 10:30 a.m. ♦ North Branch
Tammy Stone will bring her high energy, interactive concert to the North Branch. Her infectious music is sure to have your toes tapping for the rest of the day. For ages 2-6. R

St. Patrick’s Day Crafts
Saturday, March 16 at 10:30 a.m. ♦ Main Library
Come hear a story or two, make a leprechaun trap, blarney stone and more. Bring an empty, small (18 oz.) oatmeal canister. For ages 6-9. R

Very Hungry Caterpillar Story & Craft
Wednesday, March 20 at 10:30 a.m. ♦ North Branch
Celebrate the Very Hungry Caterpillar’s birthday as we read the story and do a special craft. This program is for ages 3-6. R

Mosaic Tile Mural
Saturday, March 23 at 2 p.m. ♦ South Branch
Children ages 5 and up can join us to create a large mural out of mosaic tile. This mural will be donated to the South Branch and on display in the library once it is complete. Families in the community will take part in making this beautiful piece of art that will be enjoyed by South Branch patrons for years to come. Children participating in this project will also make their own small mosaic tile project to take home. R

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Online Book Club
Kids in fourth or fifth grade are invited to read any or all of our titles below. Then, answer the questions that are available with the book or are listed online at http://kidsreadcmpl.blogspot.com/ or by emailing kidsread@cmpl.org.

*Smile* by Raina Telgemeier
*Maniac Magee* by Jerry Spinelli

South Branch Book Clubs
Join us at the South Branch for a snack, craft and game based on fun books. Book Blasters is for children ages 7-9 and Xtreme Readers is for children ages 9-12. Pick up your free book at the South Branch reference desk on the date of the previous book club. This program is sponsored by a generous grant from Target.

Book Blasters 📚
Saturday, January 19 at 11 a.m.: *The Adventures of Super Diaper Baby* by Dav Pilkey
Saturday, February 16 at 11 a.m.: *Double Trouble: Show and Tell* by Abby Klein
Saturday, March 16 at 11 a.m.: *Mrs. Dole is Out of Control!* by Dan Gutman
Saturday, April 20 at 11 a.m.: *Horrible Harry Moves Up to 3rd Grade* by Suzy Kline

Xtreme Readers 🐻
Saturday, January 19 at 2 p.m.: *Stuart Little* by E.B. White
Saturday, February 16 at 2 p.m.: *The Fast and the Furriest* by Andy Behrens
Saturday, March 16 at 2 p.m.: *43 Old Cemetery Road: Dying to Meet You* by Kate Klise
Saturday, April 20 at 2 p.m.: *The Small Adventure of Popeye and Elvis* by Barbara O’Connor

Wildlife Safari
Saturday, March 23 at 10:30 a.m. • Main Library
Thursday, April 4 at 10:30 a.m. • North Branch
Wild animals will be taking over the library. Nelson will be our guide for Animal Adventures Around the World. You will have a chance to meet a variety of animals and learn about their habitats. This program is for ages 5 to 12. 🐘

Aliens and Spaceships
Tuesday, April 2 at 10:30 a.m. • South Branch
Kids ages 4-10 can create their own alien with odds and ends from Arts & Scraps. After making your alien, there will be an opportunity to visit the Scrapmobile. 🪤

Just Dance
Wednesday, April 3 at 2 p.m. • North Branch
Get your groove on as we play the Just Dance games. This program is for ages 6-12. 🎉

Battle of the Books!
Wednesday, April 3 at 6 p.m. • Main Library
Participate in our first ever Battle of the Books! Kids in 4th, 5th, and 6th grades are encouraged to put together a team of 3-5 players, read as many books from our list as possible, and then battle other teams in a trivia challenge. The book list will be available starting the first day of Winter Reading, February 4. 📚

Lisa’s Dance Party
Tuesday, April 9 at 10 a.m. • North Branch
Join Mrs. Lisa as we Drive Our Car, Shake Our Sillies Out, do the Goldfish, and other fun dances. This program is for ages 2-4. 🕺

Jewelry Club
Saturday, April 27 at 2 p.m. • South Branch
Join us and make a beautiful piece of jewelry. An experienced jewelry maker will provide materials and instructions to make a project with children ages 7-12. Space is limited, so register early. 🍀

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Teen and Young Adult Programs

TAC Meetings
3rd Wednesday of the Month at 4 p.m. • Main Library
Have a say in what we do! We meet the third Wednesday of every month to eat pizza and discuss teen programs and library issues. All teens in grades 6-12 are welcome to join.

Winter Reading
February 4-March 30 • All locations
Read and complete other library-related tasks to win some great prizes! Pick up forms at any branch starting February 4.

Anime Club
Fridays: January 11, February 8, March 8 and April 5 at 4 p.m. • Main Library
Come play trivia, share artwork, and talk about your favorite anime and manga!

Dungeons and Dragons
Thursdays at 6:30 p.m. • Main Library
Hey RPG-ers! We’re still playing D&D at the Main Library every Thursday night. Please note that the day has changed! This popular program could use another Dungeon Master or two, contact the librarian at sjones@cmpl.org if you’re interested in joining or leading a game at the library. Teens in grades 6-12 and adults up to age 22 welcome. We’ll be having a D&D marathon on Monday, January 21 from 12-6 p.m. Food will be provided!

Teen Open Gaming
Friday, January 25 from 3-5 p.m. and Saturday, March 2 from 3-5 p.m. • Main Library
We’ve got two themed game days planned at the Main Library. Join us in January for Pokémon day! Bring your Pokémon games with you. In March, grab your friends and join us for Just Dance from 3-5pm. Prizes for the best and craziest dancers!

Teen Program Reminder
All programs are for students entering 6th through 12th grades in the fall ONLY. To register call 226-5030 or visit www.cmpl.org. When you see this symbol registration is required.

Post-Holidays Party
Saturday, January 5 from 3-5 p.m. • Main Library
It’s January, but we’re not ready to stop partying! Join us for food, games, and an ugly sweater contest. Bring a terrible or hilarious wrapped gift for the gift-exchange game! Gifts should be something you already own and don’t want or something new under $5.

Community Project
Wednesday, February 6 at 6:30 p.m. • Main Library
We’re making valentines for patients at the Henry Ford Macomb Hospital! We’ll provide all of the supplies needed to make a card and brighten someone’s day.

Snowman Building Contest
Saturday, February 2 at 1 p.m. • Main Library
Show off your snow sculpting skills at the main library by helping us decorate the library lawn! Dress warmly and bring snow-person accessories that you don’t mind leaving behind (some will be provided as well). Hot cocoa and cookies will help you warm up after! If there’s no snow on the ground, the alternate date will be Saturday, February 16th. Prizes will be awarded for best constructed, funniest, and more!

Pizza and Paperbacks
1st Monday of the month at 4 p.m. • North Branch
3rd Friday of the month at 4 p.m. • South Branch
Teens get a free copy of each month’s book selection for our Pizza and Paperbacks book clubs! Books must be picked up at the branch where you will attend the meeting.
Trivia Nights
Friday, February 22 at 4 p.m. • North Branch
Friday, March 29 at 4 p.m. • Main Library
Saturday, April 13 at 4 p.m. • South Branch
Get together a team of up to five people or go it alone at our pub-style TRIVIA NIGHTS! Questions will be about anything and everything! We’ll have some good snacks and great prizes for winning players.

The Write Stuff
1st and 3rd Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. • Main Library
Teens and adults are welcome at the Main library the first and third Wednesday of each month to work and share with other writers.

Spring 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, scanners and cell phones are not allowed in the book sale rooms. A membership to the Friends of the Library is available at any time at any CMPL location.

Wednesday, April 17
5:30-8:30 p.m.
Friends Night Only

Thursday, April 18
12 p.m.-8 p.m.

Friday, April 19 and Saturday, April 20
9:30 a.m.-5 p.m.

Sunday, April 21
1:15-3:15 p.m.
Bag Day

Monday, April 22
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. Stop by the Main Library at any of the following times: Wednesday, April 10 & Thursday, April 11 from 4-8 p.m., Friday, April 12 & Saturday, April 13 from 9:30 a.m.-2 p.m., Sunday, April 14 from 1:15-5 p.m. or Monday, April 15 from 9:30 a.m.-2 p.m.

Children’s Bookmark Contest
Do you know a budding artist in K-12? The Friends of the Library will host the Design a Bookmark Contest starting April 1. Pick up an entry form at any CMPL location and design a black and white bookmark. Winners will get their bookmarks produced for use at the library!
Couponing Class  
Saturday, January 12 at 10:30 a.m. • North Branch
Are you seeking ways to make your money go further? Learn the basics of couponing. An experienced couponer, Kristen McGrail, will be sharing her tips at this beginning couponing class on where to find them; how to organize coupons; and best of all, how to make the most of them!  

A Parent’s Guide to Electronic Homework Resources  
Saturday January 12 at 9:30 a.m. • South Branch
This is a parent’s opportunity to learn about databases that will help students with history, culture, biography and science projects throughout the school year. These resources are even available after library hours, making it easier to complete those last-minute projects.  

An Afternoon Tea  
Saturday, January 26 at 2 p.m. • South Branch
Enjoy an afternoon tea at the South Branch. Join us for some scrumptious tea party favorites brought to you by Fran Salvatore from Pamela’s Catering. Please bring your own teacup. Registration is required and open to Clinton and Macomb Township residents. Space is limited. This is for adults only.  

Get Smart About Your Smartphone  
Saturdays: January 12, 19 and 26 at 1 p.m. • Main Library
Learn the basics about smartphones, from how to customize your menus, to using the camera and using apps. If you are new to smartphones or want to know how to get more from your phone, this is the program for you. Each class will cover the same material.  

Enrollment Information
When you see this it means that registration is required beginning two weeks before the program.
- Main Library 226-5040 or 226-5050
- North Branch 226-5083
- South Branch 226-5073
You can also register online at the What’s Happening page at www.cmpl.org  

My Money and Me  
Know the Flow  
Monday, February 4 at 6:30 p.m. • Main Library
In this presentation you will learn how to create a personal balance sheet, calculate your net worth and create a cash flow statement. You’ll learn about the three basic financial asset classes: stocks, bonds and cash. We’ll also discuss the differences between consumption, saving, and investing and how they affect your present and future self.  

Money: Getting to Know You  
Monday, February 18 at 6:30 p.m. • Main Library
We’ll examine how debt and spending-related patterns are behavioral or habitual in nature and gain insight into the factors that form and perpetuate our relationship with money.  

New Year’s Wishing Mirror  
Saturday, January 26 at 10:30 a.m. • North Branch
Are you thinking about setting any new goals or intentions for 2013? Visualize those wishes by making a decorative wishing mirror. Participants will be clipping and gluing images and embellishments to create a mirror that celebrates their goals. This program is for adults 21 and over. Supplies will be provided; just bring your creativity. Space is limited. Registration for residents begins January 12; registration for nonresidents begins January 19.
Cooking with Fran
Monday, March 4 at 6:30 p.m. • Main Library
Join Fran Salvatore of Pamela’s Catering as she shows you how to make delicious casseroles perfect for holidays and parties. This class is for residents of Clinton or Macomb Township and has limited seating. If you register and cannot attend, please let us know so that another person may have the opportunity to attend.

A Job Seeker’s Guide to Career Resources
Saturday, March 9 at 9:30 a.m. • South Branch
Job seekers can get an overview of three electronic resources: Career Transitions, Learning Express Library’s Job Accelerator, and Tutor.com’s Career Center. All three have different features to help job seekers with career guidance, resume help, and job searching tips.

The Maya—Seen Through their Art and Architecture
Monday, March 18 at 6:30 p.m. • Main Library
Three thousand years ago, deep in the jungles of Mexico, Guatemala and Honduras a civilization rose to levels of grandeur that astounds—the Maya. During the last thirty years the analysis and interpretation of translated hieroglyphic writing on their stone monuments and artifacts provided a comprehensive picture of this culture. Donald Frederickson, author of Roar of the Jaguar—The Legacy of a Mayan Prince, presents a lecture on the Maya, through their art and architecture that will make you feel that he is taking you back in time to see it for yourself.

300 Years of Detroit Architecture
Monday, April 22 at 6:30 p.m. • Main Library
Since its founding in 1701, Detroit has reflected the major movements in American architecture. This illustrated lecture, by art history professor Michael Farrell, will examine the evolution of architectural styles in Detroit beginning with the pre-American French Colonial and moving on through the many revival styles of the 19th century, Beaux Arts, Detroit’s golden age of Art Deco and ending with Post Modernism and recent additions to the city’s skyline.

Heart Topiary Craft
Saturday, April 20 at 10:30 a.m. • North Branch
Spring has been called the season of love. Embrace the spring season by crafting a heart shaped topiary entwined with live ivy. This program for adults 21 and over. Supplies will be provided, and space is limited. Registration for residents begins April 6; registration for nonresidents begins April 13.

Once Upon a Crime
Wednesday, April 24 at 7 p.m. • Main Library
Come hear more about mystery, suspense, thriller and detective fiction. We 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.

Jewelry Craft
Saturday, April 27 at 11 a.m. • South Branch
Back by popular request, our experienced jewelry maker Angela will be providing materials and instructions to make a beautiful piece of jewelry of your very own. Join us for a fun and creative time.

The Write Stuff
1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. • Main Library
Current and aspiring teen and adult writers gather twice a month to discuss their work, do writing exercises, and socialize with other area writers.
January
Sat., January 5 at 3 p.m.
Post-Holidays Party
Main Library

Wed., January 9 at 6:30 p.m.
CMPL presents Rock of Ages
Main Library

Thurs., January 10 at 6:30 p.m.
Emancipation Proclamation: 150 Years Later
Main Library

Sat., January 12 at 9:30 a.m.
Parent's Guide to Electronic Resources
South Branch

Sat., January 12 at 10:30 a.m.
Couponing Class
North Branch

Sat., January 12 at 12 p.m.
South Branch Book Discussion
South Branch

Sat., January 12 at 1 p.m.
Get Smart About Your Smartphone
Main Library

Sun., January 13 at 2 p.m.
Music at Main: 5th MI Regiment Band
Main Library

Tues., January 15 at 10 a.m.
Mystery Book Discussion
North Branch

Tues., January 15 from 5-7 p.m.
eReader eXperience
Main Library

Thurs., January 17 at 1 p.m.
CMPL presents Rock of Ages
Main Library

Sat., January 19 at 10 a.m.
Lego Fun
Main Library

Sat., January 19 at 1 p.m.
Get Smart About Your Smartphone
Main Library

Mon., January 21 at 10:30 a.m.
Movie Morning
Main Library

Mon., January 21 at 12 p.m.
Dungeon and Dragons
Main Library

Mon., January 21 at 6:30 p.m.
Why Did He Wait So Long?
Main Library

Wed., January 23 at 6:30 p.m.
Young Adult Trivia Night
Main Library

Sat., January 26 at 10 a.m.
Preschool Fair
Main Library

Sat., January 26 at 10:30 a.m.
New Year's Wishing Mirror
North Branch

Sat., January 26 at 1 p.m.
Get Smart About Your Smartphone
Main Library

Sat., January 26 at 2 p.m.
An Afternoon Tea
South Branch

Thurs., January 31 at 10 a.m.
Abraham Lincoln: Preserving the Union
Main Library

February
Sat., February 2 at 10:30 a.m.
Valentine Crafts
Main Library

Sat., February 2 at 1 p.m.
Snowman Building Contest
Main Library

Mon., February 4 at 6:30 p.m.
My Money and Me: Know the Flow
Main Library

Tues., February 5 at 6:30 p.m.
Young Adult Swing Dance
Main Library

Wed., February 6 at 6:30 p.m.
Community Project for Teens
Main Library

Sat., February 9 at 10:30 a.m.
Make a Valentine
North Branch

Sat., February 9 at 12 p.m.
South Branch Book Discussion
South Branch

Sat., February 9 at 2 p.m.
Make a Valentine
South Branch

Sun., February 10 at 2 p.m.
Music at Main: The Ramblers
South Branch

Wed., February 13 at 6:30 p.m.
CMPL presents The Odd Life of Timothy Green
Main Library

Thurs., February 14 at 10 a.m.
Play to Learn
Main Library

Mon., February 18 at 10:30 a.m.
Clifford's Birthday Party
Main Library

Mon., February 18 at 2 p.m.
Kumihimo Bracelets
North Branch

Mon., February 18 at 6:30 p.m.
Money: Getting to Know You
Main Library

Tues., February 19 at 10 a.m.
Mystery Book Discussion
North Branch

Wed., February 20 at 10:30 a.m.
The Pied Piper is Coming
North Branch

Wed., February 20 at 6:30 p.m.
Young Adult CCG Night
Main Library

Thurs., February 21 at 10:30 a.m.
Clifford's Birthday
North Branch

Thurs., February 21 at 11 a.m.
Clifford's Birthday
South Branch

Thurs., February 21 at 1 p.m.
CMPL presents The Odd Life of Timothy Green
Main Library

Fri., February 22 at 4 p.m.
Teen Trivia Night
North Branch

Sat., February 23 at 10 a.m.
Music for Little Folks
Main Library

Tues., February 26 at 10 a.m.
Play to Learn
North Branch

Tues., February 26 at 10 a.m.
Play to Learn
South Branch

March
Fri., March 1 at 10 a.m.
Seussabration
Main Library
Sat., March 2 at 10 a.m.
Lego Fun
Main Library

Sat., March 2 at 1 p.m.
CMPL presents The Lorax
North Branch

Sat., March 2 at 2 p.m.
Seussabration
South Branch

Sun., March 3 at 2 p.m.
Music at Main: Metro Jazz Voices
Main Library

Mon., March 4 at 10:30 & 11:30 a.m.
Dancin’ at Main
Main Library

Mon., March 4 at 6:30 p.m.
Cooking with Fran
Main Library

Tues., March 5 at 10 a.m.
Bunny Hop
South Branch

Tues., March 5 from 5-7 p.m.
eReader eXperience
Main Library

Tues., March 5 at 6:30 p.m.
Young Adult Swing Dance
Main Library

Tues., March 5 at 6:30 p.m.
Toddler Crafts
Main Library

Sat., March 9 at 9:30 a.m.
Guide to Career Resources
South Branch

Sat., March 9 at 12 p.m.
South Branch Book Discussion
South Branch

Sat., March 9 at 2 p.m.
Super Hero Party
Main Library

Mon., March 11 at 10:30 a.m.
Music from the Heart
North Branch

Wed., March 13 at 6:30 p.m.
CMPL presents The Dark Knight Rises
Main Library

Thurs., March 14 at 10 a.m.
Play to Learn
Main Library

Sat., March 16 at 10:30 a.m.
St. Patrick’s Day Crafts
Main Library

Mon., March 18 at 6:30 p.m.
The Maya - Seen Through Their Art and Architecture
Main Library

Tues., March 19 at 10 a.m.
Mystery Book Discussion
North Branch

Tues., March 19 at 10 a.m.
Play to Learn
South Branch

Wed., March 20 at 10:30 a.m.
Very Hungry Caterpillar Story & Craft
North Branch

Thurs., March 21 at 1 p.m.
CMPL presents The Dark Knight Rises
Main Library

Sat., March 23 at 10:30 a.m.
Wildlife Safari
Main Library

Sat., March 23 at 2 p.m.
Mosaic Tile Mural
South Branch

Tues., March 26 at 10 a.m.
Play to Learn
North Branch

Thurs., March 28 at 10:30 a.m.
Bunny Hop
North Branch

Fri., March 29 at 4 p.m.
Teen Trivia Night
Main Library

April

Mon., April 1 at 10:30 & 11:30 a.m.
Dancin’ at Main
Main Library

Tues., April 2 at 10:30 a.m.
Aliens and Spaceships
South Branch

Tues., April 2 at 6:30 p.m.
Young Adult Swing Dance
Main Library

Tues., April 2 at 6:30 p.m.
Toddler Crafts
Main Library

Wed., April 3 at 2 p.m.
Just Dance
North Branch

Wed., April 3 at 6 p.m.
Battle of the Books
Main Library

Thurs., April 4 at 10:30 a.m.
Wildlife Safari
North Branch

Sun., April 7 at 2 p.m.
Music at Main: Full Throttle A Cappella
Main Library

Tues., April 9 at 10 a.m.
Lisa’s Dance Party
North Branch

Sat., April 13 at 12 p.m.
South Branch Book Discussion
South Branch

Sat., April 13 at 4 p.m.
Teen Trivia Night
South Branch

Tues., April 16 at 10 a.m.
Mystery Book Discussion
North Branch

Wed., April 17 - Sun., April 21
Used Book Sale
Main Library

Thurs., April 18 at 10 a.m.
Play to Learn
Main Library

Sat. April 20 at 10:30 a.m.
Heart Topiary
North Branch

Mon., April 22 at 6:30 p.m.
300 Years of Detroit Architecture
Main Library

Wed., April 24 at 6:30 p.m.
CMPL presents Trouble with the Curve
Main Library

Wed., April 24 at 7 p.m.
Once Upon a Crime
Main Library

Thurs., April 25 at 1 p.m.
CMPL presents Trouble with the Curve
Main Library

Sat., April 27 at 10 a.m.
Lego Fun
Main Library

Sat., April 27 at 11 a.m.
Jewelry Craft for Adults
South Branch

Sat., April 27 at 2 p.m.
Jewelry Club
South Branch
Explore your life, your community, the world.

Music at Main

Join us for a free hour of music open to all ages. The Friends of the Library will also be on hand on concert Sundays to sell the best of their used books to support programs such as the concert series. **No registration is required.**

**Sunday, January 13 at 2 p.m.:** Fifth Michigan Regiment Band. Don’t miss this band’s repertoire of pre-1865 compositions is performed on antique and replica sax horns and wood rope tension drums. Performances include music, instruments, attire, flags, and customs of the era.

**Sunday, February 10 at 2 p.m.:** The Ramblers. The Ramblers will visit the Main Library to share a blend of swing, Latin and ballads. They even play some great old standards that will be sure to delight.

**Sunday, March 3 at 2 p.m.:** Metro Jazz Voices. This group performs an American songbook of classics and popular melodies in four-part harmony. Backed by saxophone, piano, bass, flute and drums, this group is sure to entertain.

**Sunday, April 7 at 2 p.m.:** Full Throttle A Cappella. This group has been entertaining audiences for over 7 years with well-tuned vocal harmonies. They perform in doo wop style and song originality of the 1950’s and 60’s, takes you back to the days when ‘sock hops’ and ‘cruisin’ was all the rage.