Closings
All locations will be CLOSED on the following dates:

Tues., Jan. 1
Sun., April 21
Fri., April 26 - Main Library
   closes at 2 p.m.

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National Day of Unplugging
Join us in taking the Unplug Challenge! The National Day of Unplugging was created to encourage people to spend a day disconnecting from our devices and connecting with the things that are truly important in our lives. CMPL will celebrate the National Day of Unplugging on March 2, 2019. In addition to the events below, the Main Library will have events for adults including a scavenger hunt, spin-the-wheel for a book prize, coloring books, board games and jigsaw puzzles. Pick up a pledge form and information at the table in the lobby. How will you unplug?

Giant Game Day
Sat., March 2 from 9 a.m. - 6 p.m. • Main Library
We’re bringing out our collection of giant games. Drop in anytime throughout the day to play Giant Chess, Giant Connect-4, Giant Snakes and Ladders, Giant Jenga, and more! All ages are welcome. No registration is required.

Children’s Book Bingo
Sat., March 2 at 10 a.m. • Main Library
Join us for Children’s Book Bingo. This program is for ages 3-11, but children who are not yet reading should bring an “assistant.”

Crafting the Books
Sat., March 2 at 2 p.m. • South Branch
Unplug, unwind, and have fun creating crafts that can be found in our library craft book collection. For adults and children ages 5 and up.

Family Fort Night
Sat., March 2 from 5:30-7:30 p.m. • North Branch
Join us for an after-hours night of stories, snacks, and fort-making! Bring your flashlights and read stories as a family in your very own fort.

Taste of the Town: Sail Away with CMPL
Fri., April 26 at 6:30 p.m. • Main Library
Set sail with us at our 8th annual Taste of the Town fundraiser. Join us for great food, beer, wine, signature cocktails and our version of a racing regatta. Bring some cash for a chance to triple your money betting on “boats” as we run races throughout the night. We’ll have caterers and many vendors from local restaurants serving you a strolling dinner followed by a photo booth, chances for prizes and more. Tickets are available for $30 at any CMPL location or online at https://cmpl.org. Name a “boat” by becoming a sponsor at https://cmpl.org/taste-town-sponsorship/
FROM the DIRECTOR...

Although it only took me reaching age 34 and working 17 years in a public library to figure out my “true” career path, at one point I had considered becoming a teacher. My father was a math and computer science teacher at Utica High School and my brother ended up following in his footsteps teaching business and entrepreneurship at the high school level as well. Not having students to torment I thought I would give you, the community, a pop quiz about the library!

One question below will hopefully also help some of you who disappoint me every other year on our community survey per the question about the source of the library’s funding (the majority of people get it wrong).

1. Which of the following does the library charge a rental fee to use?
   A. Meeting rooms for community nonprofit groups
   B. Movies on Blu-ray
   C. Portable Wi-Fi hotspots
   D. Picture books
   E. None of the above

2. Which of the following do you believe to be the major source of our library’s funding?
   A. Overdue fines and fees
   B. Local property taxes
   C. County property taxes
   D. State of Michigan
   E. Federal government

3. Match these numbers (140,000, 500,000 and 2,100,000) to the following items:
   Active library card holders ___________
   Annual transactions ____________
   Items in the library’s collections _______

4. Which of the following can you do through the library’s website (www.cmpl.org):
   A. Take a 6-week, instructor led online course on personal investing
   B. Have a term paper or resume professionally reviewed within 24 hours
   C. Stream 5 hours of popular music a day
   D. Enjoy the latest issues of Better Homes and Gardens, Reader’s Digest, Car and Driver, and Road and Track and over 90 other magazines
   E. All of the above

5. A customer checks out the book Charlotte’s Web on February 1. On February 22 the book is due back to the library, but the customer drives around the roundabout on the way to the library too quickly and the book falls between the passenger seat and door. The customer continues running errands but doesn’t discover the book until two days later. Overdue fines are 25¢ per day; there are no other customers with holds requests for the book. How much does the customer owe in overdue fines?

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CMPL Comic Con 2019!
Sat., March 30 from 10 a.m. – 6 p.m. • Main Library
Comic Con is back and better than ever with games, crafts, and fun for all ages and for FREE!

Logo design - Want to be the official artist for CMPL ComicCon? We want you to design our logo!
• Artists can submit original artwork (no copyright characters or logos) through our website.
• Winning logo will be used on all CMPLCC promotional materials both in print and digital.
• Artist will be credited and a prize will be awarded.

Lego contest - Get creative and submit your best build! This year's theme: Recreate your favorite sci-fi movie or TV show scene. Judging in the following age groups:
• 12 and under
• 13-18
• 19+
• Build must fit on a 10 in. x 10 in. standard base plate and be no taller than 14 inches.
• No kits! Original creations only!
• Submit your entry info on our contest page and bring your build in for judging!

See https://cmpl.org/comic-con for all rules and details on all contests.

Escape Rooms
Two sessions for families with kids 12 and under:
10:30am & 11:30am
Four sessions for anybody 13+: 2pm, 3pm, 4pm, & 5pm On-site registration only, starting at 10am.

And don’t miss all the rest of the geeky goodness; we’re bringing back panels, games, crafts, food trucks, photo ops, and prizes! Keep an eye on our Facebook event for more details, times, and announcements!

Want to be involved with Comic Con as a presenter, artist, panelist, cosplay character, or other? Email us at Makeitso@cmpl.org or visit cmpl.org/comic-con

Used Book Sale
Stop by the Main Library on any of the following dates to get a great deal on classics, best-sellers, children’s books and more! A membership to the Friends of the Library is available at any time at any CMPL location.

Wednesday, April 10
5:30-8:30 p.m. - Friends Night Only

Thursday, April 11
12 p.m.-8 p.m.

Friday, April 12 and Saturday, April 13
9:30 a.m.-5 p.m.

Sunday, April 14
12:15-3 p.m. - Bag Day

Volunteer at the Used Book Sale
Volunteer at the book sale on the following dates and times: Mon., April 1, 9:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m., Wed., April 3 & Thurs., April 4 from 4-8 p.m., Fri., April 5 & Sat., April 6 from 9:30 a.m.-2 p.m. Sun., April 7 from 1:15-5 p.m. and Mon., April 15 from 9:30 a.m. - Noon.

Visit the Used Book Nook!
The Main Library is the home of the Used Book Nook! Stop by to get a great deal on items that are so gently used, they are practically new. For information on hours and upcoming specials, please visit http://cmpl.org/used-book-nook/

Bookmark Contest
March 1-31 All locations
Participants in grades K-5 are asked to design an original bookmark in the Annual Friends of the Library Bookmark Contest! One winner will be chosen from each grade. Winners receive bookstore gift cards and their designs are reproduced and distributed in the library. Pick up an entry form at any CMPL location starting March 1.
CMPL Book Groups
CMPL offers different book discussion groups to appeal to all types of book lovers!

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

Jan. 12: The Radium Girls by Kate Moore
Feb. 9: The Great Alone by Kristin Hannah
March 9: Before the Fall by Noah Hawley
April 13: We Own the Sky by Luke Allnutt

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

Jan. 15: Past Crimes by Glen Erik Hamilton
Feb. 19: Gone to Dust by Matt Goldman
March 19: The Dry by Jane Harper
April 16: The Silent Sister by Diane Chamberlain

Books on Tap
2nd Mondays at 6 p.m. • Bar Louie Partridge Creek
We’ll discuss the book at 6 p.m.

Jan. 14: A Place for Us by Fatima Farheen Mirza
Feb. 11: Give Me Your Hand by Megan Abbott
March 11: The Music Shop by Rachel Joyce
April 8: Nine Perfect Strangers by Liane Moriarty

Let’s Get Real
NEW
4th Mondays at 6:30 p.m. • Main Library
Join us for a new book discussion group featuring some of the best nonfiction titles published in recent years!

Jan. 28: Educated: A memoir by Tara Westover
Feb. 25: Mrs. Sherlock Holmes: The true story of New York City’s greatest female detective and the 1917 missing girl case that captivated a nation by Brad Ricca
Mar. 25: A Mind Unraveled: A memoir by Kurt Eichenwald
April 22: Behind the Beautiful Forevers: Life, death and hope in a Mumbai undercity by Katherine Boo

ESL Conversation Group
The Main Library will host an English as a Second Language Conversation Group on Saturdays from 10 a.m.-12 p.m. With the closure of Macomb Literacy Partners, this is a wonderful opportunity for English language-learners to strengthen conversation skills.
**Michigan Works**  
4th Monday from 2-4 p.m. • South Branch  
A representative from Michigan Works will visit the 4th Monday of every month from 2-4pm. They will provide information and guidance to those seeking employment. This is a free program and no appointment is needed.

**CMPL is now a VITA Tax Site**  
This year when you self-prepare your taxes, think of CMPL. We are offering hours where an IRS-trained volunteer will be available to answer questions while you fill out your tax return via an IRS website available at the Main Library. Set days and hours are not yet confirmed. Please look for VITA Tax Hours on the Events page at the Main Library this winter for more information.

**Suicide: The Ripple Effect**  
Thurs., March 28 at 6 p.m. • Main Library  
CMPL, Macomb County Suicide Prevention Coalition and community sponsors invite you and your family to *Suicide: The Ripple Effect*, a feature-length documentary film, focusing on the effects of suicide and the ripple effects of advocacy, inspiration and hope that are helping millions heal and stay alive.

This event is free thanks to the following sponsors: Macomb County: Community Mental Health, Health Department and Sheriff’s Department, Henry Ford Macomb, CARE of SEM, Chippewa Valley Coalition for Youth and Families, Havenwyck, Harbor Oaks, Heritage Church, KnowResolve, Macomb Family Services, New Oakland Family Center, The Mindful Self, LLC, Michelle Mannina and Macomb Intermediate School District.

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**Technology**

**Tech Help**  
From software to cell phone questions, we have Tech Assistants available to answer your questions.

**Main Library**: Mondays 2:15-7:15pm, Tuesdays 3-8pm, alternating Saturdays & Sundays, call 226-5040 to confirm.  
**North Branch**: Tuesdays 1-3 pm  
**South Branch**: Monday & Tuesday 1-4pm, Tuesday 5:30-9pm, Wednesday 10am-2pm (phone and tablet help), Thursday 5:30-9pm, and Friday & Saturday 1-6pm; call 226-5073 to confirm.

**iPhone & iPad Classes**  
We are pleased to continue to offer classes for your iPhone & iPad. These hour-long classes are open to everyone and are held at The Mall at Partridge Creek. Please call 226-5040 for details & registration.

**Learning Circle**  
Select Mondays at 6:30 p.m. • Main Library  
We’re bringing back the Learning Circles! This winter we’ll explore in-depth the Gale Courses for Excel & Word. Gale Courses are six-week, online, self-study courses. We will meet once a week in the library to facilitate your success in the class. Bring your laptop or we will provide one for you. There will be a staff member available to answer questions. Please call 226-5040 to register.  

Mondays at 6:30 p.m. starting Jan. 21: Microsoft Excel 2016  
Mondays at 6:30 p.m. starting March 18: Microsoft Word 2016

**Google Docs**  
Wed., April 10 at 6:30 p.m. • Main Library  
Join us for our new introductory class on “Google Docs.” It will help you to learn how to create, edit, store and access files for free, anywhere. All you need is a Gmail account and Internet connection, no additional software is required. This class provides information on how to work with Google Docs to accomplish your needs for school, business or home. Bring your laptop or we will provide one for you.

**Computer Classes**  
Introductory computer classes will continue at the **Main Library**. Each class is two hours long and covers one of the following topics: Computer Basics, Internet Basics, Files & Folders, Word, Excel and PowerPoint. Classes are open to residents of Clinton & Macomb Townships with a library card in good standing. **Call 226-5040 to register starting Mon., Jan. 7, 2019.**  

Can’t come into the library or want more advanced options? Try Gale Courses or Niche Academy. Gale offers online, 6-week, instructor-led courses on a variety of topics. Niche Academy offers self-study options for CMPL databases, digital downloads and social media.
Wintertime Energy Efficiency Solutions for Your Home
Wed., Jan. 16 at 2 p.m.  North Branch
Darlene Kusterer, Market Outreach Manager for Consumers Energy will provide you with simple, low or no cost ways to save money on your utility bill this winter and all year long.

Knit and Crochet Meet Up
Thursdays: Jan. 10, Jan. 24, Feb. 7, Feb. 21, March 7, March 21, April 4, April 18 at 6 p.m.  Main Library
Bring your own project and hang out while you work on your new creation! All ages and skill levels are welcome. Please bring your own supplies. No registration is required.

Intro to Knitting
Thursdays: Jan. 17 or Jan. 31 at 6:30 p.m.  Main Library
This is an introductory course to knitting. Attendees will learn how to cast-on and cast-off, how to do a knit stitch, and how to read a pattern. By the end of the class, attendees should be able to make a simple dishcloth. All materials will be provided. This class repeats so please sign-up for only one session.

Small Business Financials
Mon., March 11 at 6:30 p.m.
This workshop focuses on the strategic process of managing the financial resources of a small business. You will learn about the importance and basic elements of creating a budget, setting up annual spreadsheets for expenses and sales, recording financial transactions, creating a financial statement, creating a sales plan and other important fundamental entrepreneurial responsibilities.

Mind Your Own Business
Select Mondays at 6:30 p.m.  Main Library
We are pleased to partner with SCORE for programs on starting a business. SCORE is a nonprofit association dedicated to helping small businesses get off the ground, grow, and achieve their goals through education and mentorship.

Could I...Should I Start My Own Business
Mon., Jan. 21 at 6:30 p.m.
This workshop will include a self-evaluation to see if you have what it takes to start your own business. It will address: what typical entrepreneurs think they have as a competitive advantage, why start-up businesses fail, why some start-ups succeed and more!

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Jumpstart 2019! Bring Inner Peace to Your Home
Sat., Jan. 19 at 10:30 a.m.  Main Library
Being organized is as much about mindset as it is about physical labor. Learn how to be mindful about what you own and how you utilize it. Changing how you see, treat, and ultimately part with your items are the first steps to bringing your own peace to your personal environment.

Registration Information
When you see this it means that registration is required. Registration for residents in our service area begins two weeks before the program. Adult programs are intended for those 18 and older unless otherwise noted.

Main Library  226-5040 or 226-5050
North Branch  226-5083
South Branch  226-5073

You can also register online at the Events page at www.cmpl.org.
**Small Estate Planning**  
*Wed., Jan. 30 at 6:30 p.m. • South Branch*  
Come learn about Estate Planning from an attorney with Lakeshore Legal Aid, a nonprofit law firm that provides free legal services to low income individuals and seniors. This informative session includes wills, lady bird deeds, powers of attorney and trusts. The program runs for 90 minutes.

**Pom Pom Heart Craft**  
*Wed., Feb. 6 at 1 p.m. • Main Library*  
Create a whimsical Valentine creation. You will make your own pom-poms to decorate a 9-inch wreath.

**Hot Cocoa Taste Test**  
*Sat., Feb. 9 at 2:30 p.m. • Main Library*  
What is the best hot cocoa mix? Think you can tell the “gourmet” ones from the store brands? Test your skills as we taste a variety of hot cocoa mixes, guess the brands, and rate them from best to worst.

**Tales and Talk**  
*Select Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m. • Main Library*  
Relax and listen to a selection of short stories, read aloud by a librarian, followed by a discussion period. Coffee and tea will be served. Winter sessions feature stories related to Michigan.

Jan. 9: *Night Coming* by Desiree Cooper  
Feb. 13: *Fruit of the Paw Paw Tree* by Bonnie Jo Campbell  
March 13: *Loyalty* by Charles Baxter  
April 10: *Pride* by P.J. Parrish *(April’s session will be at the North Branch)*.

**Designing Detroit: Wirt Rowland and Modern American Architecture**  
*Mon., Feb. 11 at 3 p.m. • Main Library*  
Detroit’s Guardian Building is widely recognized as the world’s finest Art Deco skyscraper, and serves as one example of the innovative building designs developed in Detroit during the first half of the last century. Guardian’s designer, Detroit architect Wirt Rowland, devised a wholly new or “modern” appearance for buildings that was distinctly American, and not reliant on decorative elements copied from architecture of the past. Presenter Michael Smith details this innovation in this presentation.

**PATH: Personal Action Toward Health**  
*Fridays at 10 a.m. starting Feb. 15 • Main Library*  
Do you have a chronic disease like arthritis, heart disease, diabetes, emphysema, asthma, or depression? Are you trying to find a way to cope with chronic pain? Do you want to be healthier and feel more in control? PATH is a community workshop offered in partnership with the AAA1-B and Macomb Community Action. It meets once-a-week to help you build the community of support you will need to stay focused on your journey toward better health. *This program runs for 6 weeks starting Feb. 15 through March 22.*

**We Love Winter Reading!**  
*Feb. 14 - March 30 • All locations*  
All ages need to read for 20 days between February 14 and March 30 to complete the program. Log your reading online or stop by any location to pick up a calendar. When you have read for 20 days, you’ll receive a prize. Take time to enjoy a book this winter and you could be rewarded for it!

**Intro to Crochet**  
*Wednesdays: Feb. 20 and Feb. 27 at 6:30 p.m. • South Branch*  
This is an introductory course to crochet. Attendees will learn how to make a foundation chain, how to do the single crochet and chain stitches, and how to read a pattern. By the end of the class, attendees should be able to make a simple dishcloth. All materials will be provided. This class repeats so please sign-up for only one session.

**Rockin’ the Library: The Brothers Mogan**  
*Thurs., Feb. 21 at 7 p.m. • Main Library*  
The Brothers Mogan are lifelong musicians who decided to put together an acoustic show with great songs from yesteryear, when music was classy and still rocked! Join us for a night of golden oldies, outlaw country and early rock.

**Genealogy**  
*Sat., Feb. 23 at 2 p.m. • South Branch*  
Join us for an introduction to using Ancestry Library Edition to find your family history. Library computers will be available or bring your own laptop.
What’s New with Medicare, Q&A, and Open Enrollment
Tues., March 5 at 10 a.m. • Main Library
Tues., March 19 at 10 a.m. • South Branch
Tues., April 2 at 10 a.m. • North Branch
Learn about Medicare, open enrollment and get your questions answered when a representative from the Michigan Medicare/Medicaid Assistance Program visits.

Mardi Gras Trivia Night
Tues., March 5 at 7 p.m. • South Branch
Join us for a special evening of Mardi Gras-themed trivia provided by Sporcle Live! Register teams of up to 5 people to pool your knowledge and compete for prizes. Only one team member registers for the whole team.

Designing Detroit: Albert and Julius Kahn and the Modern Industrial Factory
Wed., March 6 at 3 p.m. • Main Library
At the turn of the last century, America’s cities were being transformed by the rapid growth of modern industries, particularly the automobile industry. Factories of wood and brick were small, dark, and subject to catastrophic fires: both Cadillac and Oldsmobile, two of the largest auto companies, lost their factories to fire. Julius and Albert Kahn were on the forefront of designing safer factories adopted by automobile manufacturers, giving them the spacious, fireproof, and well lit structures needed for modern mass production. Join Michael Smith for a interesting presentation.

Through Her Eyes: Women Artists in the DIA’s Collection
Tues., March 12 at 7 p.m. • North Branch
Learn the fascinating stories behind great works of women artists featured at the Detroit Institute of Arts. Viewing these collections heightens awareness of the creative contributions of women across cultures and time. It also provides a lens through which to explore issues of gender, relationships between generations, politics, and culture.

Old Slow Town: Detroit During the Civil War
Thurs., March 21 at 6:30 p.m. • Main Library
Though it was located far from Southern battlefields, Detroit churned with unrest during the American Civil War. The city’s population, including a large German and Irish immigrant community, mostly aligned with anti-war Democrats while the rest of the state stood with the pro-Lincoln Republicans. The virulently anti-Lincoln and anti-Black Detroit Free Press fanned the city’s flames with provocative coverage of events. Please join Paul Taylor for a talk on the social, economic, and military history of Detroit during the Civil War.
**Paper Bead Bracelet**  
Sat., March 16 at 10:30 a.m. • North Branch  
Make your own paper beads for a lovely mixed-media bracelet.  

**DIY Greener Cleaners**  
Sat., March 23 at 10:30 a.m. • Main Library  
Get in the spring cleaning mood! Learn how to create natural, non-toxic cleaning solutions and mixes using herbal ingredients and common pantry items. Make samples to try at home.  

**Jigsaw Puzzle Contest**  
Tues., March 26 at 1:30 p.m. • Main Library  
Grab some friends for a friendly competition of Jigsaw Puzzling. The puzzle will have 750 pieces. There will be refreshments and prizes. Teams may have up to 4 members, but only the team captain should register.  

**What’s the Score?**  
Wed., March 27 at 6:30 p.m. • Main Library  
Your credit score is more than just a number. What makes up a good credit score and how does it really effect the cost of things you purchase on credit? Is there a way to improve your score? Come and learn the mystery of credit reports and FICO scores.  

**Writing Group**  
First Mondays at 6:30 p.m. • Main Library  
Join us once a month to practice and discuss writing in a supportive and encouraging environment. Writers of all ages are welcome.  

**DIA Bus Trip**  
Thurs., April 4 at 12 p.m. • Main Library  
A bus from the Detroit Institute of Arts will pick us up and take us down to the DIA for a guided tour and a cookie and coffee snack! Participants must be 55+. We will be at the museum until 3pm and will return around 4pm. Registration begins March 4. A minimum of 25 people must be registered by March 21 in order to secure the bus. Group registration is not permitted.  

**Great Lakes Island Escapes: Ferries and Bridges to Adventure**  
Thurs., April 4 at 7 p.m. • North Branch  
Join us as Maureen Dunphy discusses her Michigan Notable Book *Great Lakes Island Escapes* and takes us on an adventure to her favorite of the 135 islands she has personally explored - all accessible by ferry or bridge. Each island has its own character and often harbors more than a bit of intrigue in its history.  

**Stenciled Watercolors**  
Wed., April 17 at 2 p.m. • Main Library  
Using simple stencils, we will be creating beautiful watercolor artwork.  

**Astronomical Highlights: 2019 and Beyond**  
Tues. April 23 at 3 p.m. • Main Library  
John French is the editor of Abrams Planetarium’s Sky Calendar, a publication that has been an aid to the night sky for over 50 years. He will give a presentation on 2019 astronomical events including five eclipses, meteor showers, planet conjunctions and more.  

**Shakespeare in Prison**  
Wed., April 24 at 7 p.m. • Main Library  
Shakespeare in Prison, Detroit Public Theatre’s signature community program, empowers incarcerated and formerly incarcerated people to reconnect with their humanity and that of others; to reflect on their past, present, and future; and to gain the confidence, self-esteem, and crucial skills they need to heal and positively impact their communities. Why Shakespeare? And how does it work? Program Director Frannie Shepherd-Bates will explore all of that and more.  

**Fashions of the Jazz Age**  
Sat., April 27 at 10:30 a.m. • South Branch  
Be transported back in time to the roaring 1920’s to the Jazz Age and Prohibition with flappers, speakeasies and bathtub gin. Presented by “Fashion and the Automobile” this presentation will include fashions from the past and present. If you have something from that era to share, feel free to bring it or wear it! Refreshments will be served.  

**Intro to Etsy**  
Tues., April 30 at 7 p.m. • Main Library  
Have you thought of selling your handmade crafts or vintage finds but don’t know where to start? In this program we’ll be talking about Etsy, the online marketplace for handcrafted creations and vintage goods. We’ll teach you what Etsy is, how to set up your shop, and some tips for success. Please bring a laptop or tablet if possible.
Parachute Games  
**Thurs., Jan. 3 at 10 a.m. • North Branch**  
Kids ages 2-5 can join us for some parachute fun! 🎈

Movie Matinee: Penguins of Madagascar  
**Sat., Jan. 5 at 2 p.m. • South Branch**  
Children and adults of all ages may bring a blanket as we relax and enjoy an afternoon movie. Snacks will be provided. 🍿

Lego Party  
**Sat., Jan. 12 at 10:30 a.m. • Main Library**  
The *Lego Movie 2* will be released on February 8. Celebrate with us by playing games, doing crafts, trying Lego challenges and more! Ages 6-10. Registration is not required.

Tween Board Game Party  
**Sat., Jan. 19 at 3 p.m. • South Branch**  
Bring a friend and meet some new ones at the Tween Board Game party. There will be music, snacks, and games! For ages 8-12 years. 🎮

I Have a Dream Story Time  
**Mon., Jan. 21 at 10 a.m. • North Branch**  
Celebrate Martin Luther King, Jr. with “I Have a Dream” story time. No registration is required.

Absolutely Baffling Bill  
**Mon., Jan. 21 at 2 p.m. • Main Library**  
You will wonder, “How does he do it?” when Baffling Bill the Magician presents his magic show. Join us to see if the hand really is quicker than the eye. This program is for ages 3-12. Registration is not required, but seating is limited to 250 people.

Ms. Carissa Rocks  
**Sat., Feb. 2 at 10:30 a.m. • North Branch**  
Get ready to rock with Ms. Carissa in this fun family concert for ages 12 and under. 🎵

Super Bowl Minute to Win It  
**Sat., Feb. 2 at 2 p.m. • South Branch**  
Are you ready for some football? Children ages 7-11 will compete in a variety of different games and activities. Prizes and silliness for all! 🏈

Kid’s Obstacle Course  
**Sat., Feb. 9 at 10 or 11 a.m. • Main Library**  
Burn up some energy crawling, jumping, and hopping through an obstacle course set up just for toddlers and preschoolers. Babies are welcome in their own activity corner with caregivers. Adults must remain with children for the duration of the program. This program is for ages 0 to 5. Please register for only one session. 🏋️

Reading Buddies  
**Last Wed. of the month at 6:30 p.m. • Main Library**  
Calling young readers! Young readers in grades K-2 who would like help practicing early literacy skills can sign up and be paired up with a Big Buddy in our Reading Buddies program. Teens will help their Little Buddy practice reading while helping build and instill confidence in their reading skills.

Registration Information  
- When you see this it means that registration is required before the program.
- Priority registration is given to residents in our service area 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 registration for residents and non-residents two weeks in advance.

A library card is required for registration. Group registration is not permitted. You can always register online.

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**Story Times**

Session I story times will take place the week of January 7 through the week of February 4. Session II will take place the week of February 25 through the week of March 25. Session III story times will take place the week of April 22 through the week of May 20. Join us:

**Main Library**
- **Baby Time** on Mondays at 9:30 a.m. (0-11 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)
- **Family Story Time** on Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. (all ages)
- **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)
- **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 Wednesdays at 11:15 a.m. (12-23 months)
- **Baby Time** on Thursdays at 9:30 a.m. (0-11 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**
- **Tot Time Plus** on Tuesdays at 9:15 a.m. (12-24 months)
- **Little Listeners Plus** on Tuesdays at 10 a.m. (2 years+)
- **Little Listeners Plus** on Wednesdays at 10 a.m. (2 years+)

**PAWS for Reading**
Help your child gain confidence in reading by practicing with a trained dog. No registration is required.

Main Library: 1st Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m.
South Branch: 2nd and 4th Mondays at 6:30 p.m.

**Pop-In Play Time**
Thurs., Feb. 14 and Mon., April 15 from 9 a.m.-12 p.m. • North Branch
Unstructured play for babies up to 23 months and their caregivers. Siblings are welcome. Registration is not required.

**CMPL Comic Con - KidCon**
Sat., March 30 from 9:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. • Main Library
Back for its 3rd year, we’re kicking off the day with a special line up of activities geared towards ages 10 and under:

- 9:30-10 a.m.: Superhero Story Time
- 10 a.m.: Superhero Training Camp
- 11 a.m.: Star Wars Activities
- 12 p.m.: Minions Activities

Escape Rooms
Two sessions for families with kids 12 and under at 10:30am & 11:30am. On-site registration starts at 10am.

See cmpl.org/comic-con for all rules and details.

**Grow, Play, Learn**
- **Fridays:** Jan. 11-Feb. 8 at 10 a.m. • Main Library
- **Mondays:** Feb. 25-March 25 at 10 a.m. • North Branch
- **Thursdays:** April 18-May 16 at 10 a.m. • South Branch

As a part of our Family Place Libraries™ initiative, our five-week parent/child workshop is returning this winter/spring. This is a fun, play-based program where families can relax, make friends, and talk one-on-one with specialists on child development. This program is open to ages 1-3 and their caregiver. Siblings up to age 5 are welcome to attend, but do not need to be registered for the program. We ask that families attend only 1 Grow, Play, Learn session per year.

**Pajamarama**
2nd Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. • South Branch
Put on your jammies and join us for bedtime stories; ages 1-8 will receive a free book.

**Registration is required. Two weeks prior for residents. One week prior for non-residents.**
**Mocktails and Masterpieces**  
**Mon., Feb. 11 at 10 a.m. • Main Library**  
Bring your babies, ages 0-2, to the Main Library to paint and create. Caregivers can enjoy a mocktail while they help their child create. Please dress your child in clothes that you don’t mind getting messy.

**Little Scientists**  
**Tues., Feb. 12 and Wed., April 17 at 10 a.m. • North Branch**  
Kids ages 3-6 are invited to hear a story and conduct some hands-on science experiments and activities. The theme for February 12 is dinosaurs. The theme for April 17 is taste.

**Toddler Art**  
**Wed., Feb. 13 at 10 a.m. • North Branch**  
Kids ages 2-3 can get creative as we make some art projects. Please wear clothes that can get dirty or bring a paint shirt.

**Family Jigsaw Puzzle Contest**  
**Sat., Feb. 16 at 2:30 p.m. • Main Library**  
Too cold to play outside? Bring the family for a fun afternoon in the library! Family jigsaw puzzles have small, medium and large pieces in the same box. Teams may have up to 5 members, but only the team captain should register. A prize will be awarded to the family that finishes first.

**We Love Winter Reading!**  
**Feb. 14 - March 30 • All locations**  
Stay engaged and keep the boredom of winter away by joining our winter reading club. All ages need to read for 20 days between Feb. 14 and March 30 to complete the program. Log your reading online or stop by any location to pick up a calendar. When you have read for 20 days, you’ll receive a prize. Take time to enjoy a book this winter and you could be rewarded for it.

**Tween Candy Sushi**  
**Sat., Feb. 16 at 3 p.m. • South Branch**  
Tweens ages 8-12 years old, will have fun creating beautiful “sushi” pieces made entirely out of candy and other sweet treats.

**Creature Feature**  
**Mon., Feb. 18 at 10 a.m. • North Branch**  
Join Dan the Creature Man as we learn about various animals including an 8-foot Albino Burmese python and much more. This program is for ages 3-12.

**South Branch Book Clubs**  
**Pick up your free book on the date of the previous book club. You must register in person at the South Branch.**

**Book Blasters (ages 7-9) at 1 p.m.**  
**Jan. 19: Where is the Bermuda Triangle by Megan Stine**  
**Feb. 16: Ruby and the Booker Boys: Brand New School, Brave New Ruby by Derrick Barnes**  
**March 16: Marty McGuire by Kate Messner**  
**April 27: Little Rhino: My New Team by Ryan Howard & Krystle Howard**

**Xtreme Readers (ages 10-12) at 1 p.m.**  
**Jan. 19: When the Butterflies Came by Kimberley Griffiths Little**  
**Feb. 16: Space Case by Stuart Gibbs**  
**March 16: Hello, Universe by Erin Entrada Kelly**  
**April 27: All the Answers by Kate Messner**

**Book Blasters**  
**Select dates at 1 p.m. • North Branch**  
Join the book club for kids ages 7-9. You must register in-person at the North Branch. The books to be read include:


**Mon., April 1: Rosie Revere and the Raucous Riveters by Andrea Beaty**
STEAM Break  
**Wed., Feb. 20 and Wed., April 3 at 10 a.m. • North Branch**

**Wed., April 3 at 2 p.m. • South Branch**

Children ages 7-11 will take a break and create and have fun using the concepts of STEAM.

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**Dance Party**  
**Thurs., Feb. 21 at 10 a.m. • North Branch**

Kids ages 2-5, and their caregivers, are invited to dance away the morning! No registration is required.

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**Signing Time**  
**Mon., Feb. 25 at 10 a.m. • South Branch**

**Mon., April 8 at 10 a.m. • Main Library**

Join our Signing Time instructor, Ms. Kelly, for a fun signing story time. The Signing Time Academy is a part of Little Hands Productions, creator of programming that can be seen on Nick, Jr. and educational programming. This program is for ages 2-5.

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**The Write Stuff**

Do you have “The Write Stuff”? This spring CMPL will be hosting a writing competition for 3rd-5th graders. Submissions will be accepted within the month of April. Details will be forthcoming on our website and on social media.

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**Battle of the Books**  
**Sun., March 3 at 2 p.m. • Chippewa Valley High School**

All 5th graders are invited to participate in the 5th Grade Battle of the Books! You just need a team of 3-5 5th graders and an adult coach. The battle will take place on Sunday, March 3 at 2 p.m. in the Chippewa Valley High School Gymnasium, located at 18300 19 Mile Road, Clinton Twp., MI 48038. Visit https://www.cmpl.org/BoB for more information, including the complete list of books, and to register.

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**Chippewa Valley Schools Literacy Night**  
**Thurs., March 7 from 6-8 p.m. • Main Library**

Students attending any Chippewa Valley Elementary School are invited to explore fun literacy-based activities, listen to stories read by CVS principals, and more. No registration is required.

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**Juggling Workshop**  
**Sat., March 16 at 3 p.m. • South Branch**

Learn to juggle with The Striped Circus in this hands-on workshop. This program is for ages 8-12.

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**KEVA Plank Building**  
**Mon., April 1 at 2:30 p.m. • Main Library**

Be amazed by what you can build by turning 2D diagrams into 3D structures made with KEVA planks! For ages 7-10.

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**Perler Bead Creations**  
**Tuesday, April 2 at 10 a.m. • Main Library**

Choose from one of our pop culture patterns or make a design of your own. This program is for ages 7-11.

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**A2Magic**  
**Thurs., April 4 at 10 a.m. • North Branch**

A2Magic will amaze you with his sleight of hand and magic wand. Prepare to be wowed by Jeff Wawrzaszek’s magical abilities. This program is for ages 3-12.
Fairy Tale Ball
Sat., April 13 at 2 p.m.  • South Branch
Come one, come all to the Fairy Tale Ball! Princes and Princesses, wear your costumes and have fun creating crafts, playing games, eating from the Hansel and Gretel snack bar, dancing, and more. “Real” princesses will dance and take photos with children under 10. No registration is required.

Bunny Hop
Tues., April 16 at 10 a.m.  • South Branch
Hop over to the library for some bunny stories, songs, and a craft for children ages 2 ½ to 5.

Stuffed Animal Story Time
Tues., April 16 at 10 a.m.  • North Branch
Bring your favorite stuffed animal to hear some stories and dance. No registration is required.

Decorate a Canvas Bag
Sat., April 20 at 10:30 a.m.  • Main Library
Celebrate Earth Day by decorating a canvas tote bag to use to carry books, toys, or whatever you wish. Wear clothes that can get stained with markers. For ages 7-11.

Tween Blow Paint Art
Sat., April 20 at 3 p.m.  • South Branch
Tweens ages 8-12 will have fun creating abstract art using paint and air instead of traditional paint brushes.

Don’t Let the Pigeon...Party!
Mon., April 29 at 10 a.m.  • North Branch
Children ages 3-6 may join us for some stories, games and crafts to celebrate one of our favorite children's book characters...Pigeon!

Hunters of the Sky
Sat., April 6 at 2 p.m.  • South Branch
It’s all about survival! Three engaging raptors will visit CMPL to demonstrate and model their amazing survival characteristics and techniques. Hands-on explorations of feathers, skulls, and other bird parts provide a stimulating introduction to the Hunters of the Sky. This program is for ages 3-12.

Star Wars Maker Lab
Thursday, April 4 at 2 p.m.  • Main Library
Budding Padawans, ages 7-11, are invited to learn how to become a Master of science, both in the real world and the Star Wars galaxy.

Teen Program Reminder
When you see this symbol registration is required. Please note that parents and younger siblings will not be able to attend teen programs. Programs are for teens entering grades 6 through 12. To register call 226-5030 or visit www.cmpl.org.
Marshmallow Launch Challenge  
**Mon., Jan. 7 at 6 p.m. • North Branch**  
Can you launch a marshmallow further than anybody else? What if we told you a machine must be built to do it and you can only use the supplies we give you?! Brush up on those engineering skills and come ready to competet in this fun flying fluffy foods program. Team up, or compete alone. 

Candy Olympics  
**Fri., Jan. 11 at 4 p.m. • South Branch**  
**Mon., April 8 at 6 p.m. • North Branch**  
Like candy? Like competing for candy? On your marks, get set, eat candy! But before you do, we’ll play some candy-themed games worthy of the Olympics. 

Escape the Room  
**Sat., Jan. 19 at 2:30 p.m. or 4:30 p.m. • Main Library**  
It's 2019, and the world is 19 days into the new year! But not you. Something went terribly awry at your New Year's party and now your whole group is stuck in a time warp! Work together to unscramble the clues to return back to the current year. Please only register for one session. 

Extreme Hide and Seek  
**Fri., Feb. 1 at 6 p.m. • Main Library**  
Ever wanted to play hide and seek in the library? Now’s your chance! Be prepared for funny challenges, and weird rules, we won’t make this easy! 

Pop and Paint  
**Mon., Feb. 4 at 6 p.m. • North Branch**  
Pop on by to taste some SODA-licious pop (and maybe some weird ones) while we learn to paint a colorful scene. 

“Legofy” Yourself  
**Sat., Feb. 9 at 2 p.m. • North Branch**  
**Fri., April 26 at 4 p.m. • South Branch**  
Can’t seem to find a Lego figure just like you? No problem! Make one yourself. Every participant will get to make a 1.5 inch Lego figure that they can design and decorate themselves. 

Winter Warm Up  
**Fri., Feb. 15 at 3:30 p.m. • South Branch**  
**Mon., Feb. 18 at 6 p.m. • Main Library**  
Warm up with plenty of hot cocoa and candy while we relax and watch a movie. We’ll have a fancy hot cocoa at the chocolate bar then vote on what to watch. Come as you are or bring a blanket or comfy PJ’s to get extra cozy. 

Ready Player One Escape Room  
**Mon., March 4 at 5 p.m. or 7 p.m. • North Branch**  
Kick off Teen Tech Week by joining fellow Gunterst to survive this fun filled tech Escape Room. Use your tech knowledge and coding skills to solve this half-digital half-physical puzzle based on the book, Ready Player One. Please register for only one session. 

Robot Day  
**Tues., March 5 at 4 p.m. • South Branch**  
In honor of Teen Tech Week, stop by Teen Takeover to play with our collection of Robots! Use the force to move our BB-8 and BB-9E Spheros or use our Sphero Minis as game controllers or soccer balls! No registration is required. 

Online Game Night  
**Fri., March 8 at 6 p.m. • Main Library**  
Laughter and loud voices allowed at this special game night developed for teens who have developmental delays, ADHD, autism, difficulty with large groups or other special needs. Kids can play their favorite game of Minecraft, Fortnite, Roblox or any other favorite. Parents and caregivers are welcome. Doors lock at 6pm; no re-entry after 6pm. 

Minute 2 Win it  
**Mon., March 11 at 6 p.m. • North Branch**  
**Fri., March 15 at 4 p.m. • South Branch**  
Weird and wacky challenges? Fun! Prizes! Make it quick, you only have 1 minute to complete the task to win it. 

Glow Egg Hunt!  
**Fri., April 12 at 6 p.m. • Main Library**  
Too old for an egg hunt? We think not! Join your fellow hunters on a Glow-in-the-Dark egg hunt, scavenger hunt and other activities in this fun after hours event! 

Peep Show  
**Mon., April 22 at 5:30 p.m. • South Branch**  
Who doesn’t love peeps? Well you might not after this challenge. Brush up on your literary movies and come ready to create a Peeps-themed scene from your assigned title. We’ll vote on funniest, most accurate, and PEEPEle’s choice with prizes for winners!
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Music at Main

Join us for a free hour of music open to all ages. No registration is required to attend these concerts.

Sun., Jan. 13 at 2 p.m.: The Yellow Room Gang. This group of Michigan songwriters will delight you with original folk melodies.

Sun., Feb. 10 at 2 p.m.: The Dawn Giblin Quintet. Come for an afternoon of 1920’s – 1940’s jazz and popular music including songs of Connee Boswell, Billie Holiday, Mildred Bailey, Ella Fitzgerald and more.

Sun., March 3 at 2 p.m.: Matthew Ball. Come see the pianist known as “the Boogie Woogie Kid” at this fun, family event.

CloudLibrary

Don’t forget about CMPL’s newest digital material resource, CloudLibrary! Connect with over 100,000 more eBooks and audiobooks to get what you want, when you want it. CloudLibrary works by connecting CMPL to other public library’s digital collections. This allows CMPL to save money on digital collections, while still offering a wide selection of titles.

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