Welcome Back: We’ve Missed You!

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FROM the DIRECTOR...

Welcome back, we’ve missed you! We extend our condolences to anyone who has lost a loved one to COVID-19, and it is our hope that you continue to be well and safe as we move through the months ahead.

We are so excited to be legally permitted to begin offering “physical” library services again. Although the staff and I have been planning for the safe, phased reopening of our buildings since early April, unlike restaurants and retail stores the staff have not been allowed to offer curbside/drive-up window service or even enter the library buildings. Please see page 3 for the status of our plans as of early June when the newsletter went to print, and be sure to keep up-to-date via our website (http://cmpl.org) and social media channels for updates as things change quickly and frequently.

On behalf of everyone at CMPL, I would like to extend our gratitude to you for your patience with the library building closures and service interruptions. We will continue to ask for your patience as we grapple with large logistical issues such as the 60,000 items that we are expecting to be returned, the 2,500 items on hold to be delivered, and thousands of new items that were ordered remotely by our librarians being processed by our cataloging team. We are also adapting to new ways of working and a multitude of requirements for ensuring a safe environment for our 12,000 weekly visitors of all ages.

As you will see in this edition of Library Matters, our librarians have outdone themselves planning amazing programs on a wide variety of fun and interesting topics to keep you and your family reading, entertained, informed and inspired this summer. Because of the uncertainty of allowing people to congregate, all of our programs will be virtual through August. Like libraries around the nation, we have found that we have been able to greatly expand our audience by offering programs virtually. Story times and other programs that we had to limit to 20 attendees are now being watched live and later by over 1,000 viewers in several cases. To help keep a physical connection, for some of our programs we are offering supplies to take and complete at home for those who register. Needless to say, we look forward to again being able to offer programs in person while keeping a virtual option as well.

Again, on behalf of the entire CMPL family, we thank you for your patience and understanding as we strive to provide you with best-in-class library service for the duration of this challenging time and beyond.

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Friends of the Library

Used Book Sales

Needless to say, the Friends of CMPL were very disappointed to have to cancel the Spring Used Book Sale. The used book sales, which occur every spring and fall draw thousands of eager book, movie and music lovers and raise around $50,000. The Main Library Used Book Nook, the North and South Branch Used Book Kiosks, and the Friends’ Amazon online store generate an additional $50,000 in annual revenues. The proceeds are given to the library to fund special projects and all library programming throughout the year.

Although our used book sale volunteers are a hearty lot, the majority also have “extensive life experience” putting them at a higher health risk. With their used item storage spaces already full of over 50,000 items that were to be sold at the spring sale, they are kindly asking that everyone refrain from dropping off used item donations at this time. We will provide an update in the September issue of Library Matters regarding donations.

You can continue to support the Friends! Please check their website for updates about potential temporary replacements for the big sales. In addition you can purchase items on the Friends’ Amazon store at https://bit.ly/ShopCMPLFriends or join as a member at: https://cmpl.org/friends-of-the-library/

Taste of the Town

Due to the pandemic we have decided to postpone the Taste of the Town Roaring 20s until next spring. Your 2020 ticket will be good for our 2021 event! If you prefer a refund, please mail your existing tickets to CMPL, Attn: Jamie Morris, 40900 Romeo Plank Road, Clinton Township, MI 48038. Please indicate your full name, return address and whether your purchase was made by cash, check or PayPal. Checks will be issued for cash/check purchasers. Other refunds will be made in PayPal. Refund requests must be made by Sept. 15, 2020. You may send questions to jmorris@cmpl.org or call (586) 226-5013.
Reopening Plans

What’s Next?
We are as excited as you are about being back in the library again! That said, before the pandemic we typically had 12,000 customers of all ages entering our doors every week. We are in the process of reopening the library buildings and restoring services safely, in phases, and as soon as possible.

By the time you receive this newsletter, we will be operating in curbside mode. Items on hold at the South Branch may be picked up via the drive-up window at any time during regular business hours. We are offering curbside pickup appointments during regular business hours for people who have items on hold at the Main Library and North Branch. Information about scheduling appointments will be included in your holds notice. You simply select a date (within 10 days) and an hour time slot. Show up at the Main Library or North Branch within that scheduled hour and collect your held items. For your safety, all returned materials are quarantined for three days before becoming available for the next user. We will also use this method to deliver supplies for our very popular programs.

We will look forward to welcoming you into our buildings soon! Once this is possible we will send an email notification to all cardholders with an email address on file and updates to our website and social media. Please see “Staying in Touch” below. Our top priority will remain safety and to comply with frequently changing legal requirements, which provide several extra challenges for libraries. As of the time the newsletter went to print in early June the following requirements are in place:

- If you are sick or have recently been sick do not come to the library.
- Maintain 6’ social distancing from anyone who is not a member of your household.
- Wear a face covering while in the library.
- Plan for a shorter visit while capacity limits are in effect.

Understand that other services may still be affected:
- Seating and computer stations may be limited due to social distancing requirements.
- The Friends of CMPL are not accepting donations of used items.
- Public computer sessions may be limited.
- Meeting and group study room reservations will be accepted once restrictions on in-person gatherings are lifted.
- Programming will remain virtual through the summer.
- High-touch items such as puppets, toys and puzzles will be on an extended “vacation.”
- Consumption of food will not be permitted in the library. Water fountains will be turned off so you may bring a nonalcoholic beverage in a covered container.
- A building may be temporarily closed for 48-hours for microstatic disinfection services if there is a confirmed case of COVID-19.

We look forward to seeing you again and resuming as many library services as soon as possible.

Reminders
All CMPL phones will be answered during regular hours. Need something? Call us at (586) 226-5000.

We’ve extended due dates through Aug. 4, but feel free to begin returning items in drop boxes and return belts now.

CMPL WiFi is available in parking lots. Feel free to bring your device to our parking lot and connect before libraries open. No password required!

Safety Precautions
We care deeply about protecting the health of you, your family, our families and our volunteers. Every returned library item will be quarantined for a minimum of 3 days before becoming available for checkout. Every library staff member has been trained and is required to follow national, state and local public health agency guidelines when handling and providing items to you.

Stay in Touch
During the pandemic, we are sending email updates to keep you informed. Check your library account to make sure that your email is up-to-date.
Valuable Databases to Try

Creativebug
Are you looking for ways to focus your pent-up creative energy? Crafters rejoice – Creativebug is here! Whether your passion is for art, jewelry making, knitting, sewing, paper crafts, decorating cakes, or decorating your home – Creativebug will show you how. High quality videos from credentialed instructors take you step by step through each project, listing all the materials you need, and keeping track of your progress as you proceed through each class.

Even if you don’t know where to begin, Creativebug’s Inspiration Feeds will give you plenty of ideas to get the creative juices flowing. There are also videos for those who want to hone their crafting skills a little each day and videos that introduce you to the talented Creativebug instructors and take you inside their studios.

To get started, go to cmpl.org and under Research, select Creativebug and provide your library card number and PIN.

Lynda.com
Are you interested in boosting your marketability by learning new software or business skills, but aren’t super excited about enrolling in college courses? Or perhaps you just want to learn at your own pace. Lynda.com is for you! Lynda.com is a video-based online training resource that can teach you any number of software skills, including Excel, Quickbooks, web design, programming, app development, Google Analytics, CAD software, and much more. If business is your focus, choose from a large number of courses on project management, leadership, social media marketing, productivity, communication, and courses on how to start a small business. Looking for a more creative focus? Learn video production, editing, photography, PhotoShop, music production, and video game design.

Lynda.com has courses for all levels of expertise – beginner through advanced – and will keep track of your progress so you can learn at your own speed. To get started, go to cmpl.org and under Research, select Lynda.com and provide your library card number and PIN.

Gale Courses
If your preference is for more of an online college class experience, then consider Gale Courses. Gale Courses are led by highly qualified college professors and you enroll for six-week sessions. There are weekly lessons and quizzes to track your progress along the way. Your instructors are available throughout the course if you have questions. There are a wide range of educational tracks you can take with Gale Courses, including accounting, finance, business, technology, healthcare, law, writing, publishing, photography and more!

To get started, go to cmpl.org and under Research, select Gale Courses and provide your library card number and PIN.

Summer Reading
Did you hear the news? Summer Reading started early! Didn’t log any reading yet? No problem! There is plenty of time to participate. Read whatever you want! Read at your own pace. You may log every day or only when you have reached 15, 30, 45 and 60 day increments. Have more fun by completing activities to win badges. Collect 7 of 13 badges and you’re entered to win one of three $75 gift cards.

Visit cmpl.org and click on Summer Reading under the Events menu. Register for a Beanstack account, or use your account from last summer to participate. Once you have an account, register for Summer Reading. When you’re ready, look for the Log Reading button in the upper left corner of the screen. Click it to log your days. You do not have to log every day. You can select multiple dates on the calendar to log but you cannot log beyond today’s date.

Teen Summer Reading Final Party!
Sat., Aug. 15 at 3 p.m. | Zoom
Teens in grades 6-12 who complete reading 60 days or more are invited to the virtual wrap up party! We will play Jackbox Games, trivia, have available escape rooms, giveaways and more.
Bright by Text by Family Place
In a partnership with Family Place Libraries, CMPL is offering access to Bright by Text. Bright by Text provides parents information on child development, local events, and resources in 2-4 text messages per week. Messages are set up by your child’s age, anywhere from prenatal to age 8, and are available in either English or Spanish. To register, text the word “BRIGHT” to 274448 or visit https://bit.ly/2yGBWOb

Tomlinson Arboretum Poetry Walk
Now – Sept. 27
Visit the Tomlinson Arboretum (west of the Main Library) to find poems placed throughout the natural setting of the park. The poems include contemporary and classic works mounted on stands at a height that makes them easy to read. Maps and a list of the poems are located at both entrances to the Arboretum and are available here: https://bit.ly/CMPLPoetryWalk

@Home @rt Show
Share your quarantine creativity with the community! Did you learn a new skill? Try a new technique? This fall we plan to host an art show to share the projects we created while staying home. Anyone over 18 who can bring their work to the library for display may submit. Work must be appropriate for general audiences. Email info@cmpl.org with any questions. Amateur artists and craftpeople welcome.

Story Phone
Have you ever wished that you could have a story read to you or your child at any time? Now you can! CMPL is excited to launch Story Phone, a new dial-a-story service. If you are interested in listening to this week’s stories, dial (586) 226-5006 and choose your story to listen to. Stories will change weekly and will be read by our storytelling team. This service is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Paint and Pour
Select Wednesdays at 7 p.m. | Zoom
Join us as we learn some chill painting skills that would make Bob Ross proud. Follow along step-by-step and you'll end up with your very own masterpiece! We'll kick off our event with a tasty mocktail recipe that anybody can enjoy!

Wed., July 22 at 7 p.m.: Batman
Register between July 3 and July 17 to guarantee supply availability; pick up paint and canvas supplies for this program at the Main Library July 18-21. An instructional video will be available on YouTube after July 22.

Wed., Aug. 12 at 7 p.m.: Sunflower
Register between July 24 and August 7 to guarantee supply availability; pick up paint and canvas supplies for this program at the Main Library Aug. 8-11. An instructional video will be available on YouTube after Aug. 12.

Wed. Aug. 19 at 7 p.m.: Aurora Borealis
Register between July 31 and Aug. 14 to guarantee supply availability; pick up paint and canvas supplies for this program at the Main Library Aug. 15-18. An instructional video will be available on YouTube after Aug. 19.

Trivia Live: Theme Night
Select Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. | Zoom
Join us for a fun night of themed trivia. Each week will have a new theme with prizes going to the winners!

June 23: Golden Girls
July 14: Bad Movie Descriptions
July 21: Harry Potter
Aug. 11: 90’s Music
Aug. 18: Jurassic Park

Trivia Live: Pub-Style
Tuesdays: June 30, July 28 and Aug. 25 at 6:30 p.m. | Zoom
Join the Popular Materials Librarians for a fun night of general knowledge trivia! It’s a pub-style quiz so you BYOB and we bring the prize! Though our pub style trivia is appropriate for all ages, the topics are most suited to adults.

Registration is required for all Zoom programs. See page 6.
Virtual Events for Teens

Registration is required for all Zoom programs.

Twitch and Talk
Thursdays at 2 p.m. | Twitch
Join Ashley and BoBert as we play video games! Play with us, suggest games, or chat with us on Twitch at twitch.tv/cmplya and friend us on PS4 under the name PunkBookJockey, on Xbox as ClimbingChimp39, or Steam as CMPL_Steam

Jackbox Games
Fridays: June 26, July 10, July 24, Aug. 7 and Aug. 21 at 1 p.m. | Zoom
Join us for some fun word games, drawing games and other fun free gaming during our Jackbox Game sessions. We’ll pick from a plethora of silly games that we can play and watch using Zoom and a mobile device.

Tabletop Roleplaying
3rd Mondays | Roll20
Come join Gamemaster Ashley as she takes you into a world of fun, one-time campaigns! You will need a Roll20 account to join the game.

Mon., July 20 at 3 p.m.: Call of Cthulhu
Mon., Aug. 17 at 3 p.m.: The Witch Is Dead

Virtual Escape Rooms
Select dates at 3 p.m. | Zoom
Sun., June 28: DC Superheroes
Join us and play as a team or by yourselves to solve the mystery of who stole Aquaman’s Trident of Neptune and where it is located.

Sun., July 26: Star Wars
Join us and play as a team or by yourselves to rescue Baby Yoda from ill-intentioned kidnappers.

Sun., Aug. 23: Hunger Games Prequel
Join us and play as a team or by yourselves to help Coriolanus Snow’s tribute Lucy Gray Baird get through obstacles in the Hunger Games. Based on of the Ballad of Songbirds and Snakes book.

YA Book Club
Select Saturdays at 11 a.m. | Zoom
Join our YA Librarian to discuss books. Titles can be downloaded on hoopla.

Sat., July 18: Zeroborder by Fonda Lee
Sat., Aug. 22: The Perfect Escape by Suzanne Park

Graphic Novel Book Club
2nd Wednesdays at 2 p.m. | Zoom
Come join us as we discuss hot new comics and graphic novels. Each month there will be three options of what will be read the following month! A list of books will be available to read through hoopla. Check out the upcoming themes and join us:

Wed., July 8: Nonfiction
Wed., Aug. 12: Moon Madness

Virtual Volunteers
Wednesdays: July 1 and Aug. 5 at 6 p.m. | Zoom
Join us for a quick chat about what’s going on for teens at CMPL. We’ll go over program ideas and you’ll earn volunteer hours! We might have a few fun games as well.

Program Registration Information
Registration is required for all online programs. A library card is required for registration. Priority registration is given to residents in our service area and opens two weeks prior to the event for residents. Register at least one hour prior to the event. Before the program you will receive an email with details about how to join via the web service Zoom.

You may register online at http://cmpl.libnet.info/events or call us at (586) 226-5000 to have us register for you.

If you don’t have computer access, or would prefer to participate in an event via phone, call us at (586) 226-5000 to register. We will make sure you get the phone number to call to connect to the program by phone.

A note about craft programs: If you have registered for a craft program, supplies are only available for a period of time (see event details). Please do not come before that time. Your supplies may not be available.
Virtual Teen Programs

Creative Culinary Challenge
Sat., July 11 at 2 p.m. | Zoom
Help YA staff choose the ingredients for this culinary competition! The base for the creation will be Rice Krispies treats. YA staff will go head to head using a theme voted on by teen attendees.

Baking 101
Tuesdays: July 14, 21 and 28 at 1 p.m. | Facebook Live
Want some hands-on experience learning to make tasty treats? Stop in to one or all three of these workshops where we will bake new goodies each week! Each week we will learn to bake a new delicious dessert from start to finish while we learn about some basic baking techniques that you can take with you to create new tasty treats in the future! Allergen Alert: These desserts will not be nut, gluten, or lactose free.

Teen Tech
Javascript
Wed., July 15 at 2 p.m. | Zoom
Join us to learn how to code using Javascript through Code Combat, where we will learn to code our sprite through difficult levels of their Escape the Dungeon! game. Some basic coding skills preferred, but not necessary.

Homopolar Sculptures
Wed., July 22 at 2 p.m. | Zoom
Learn how to make a spinning homopolar sculpture with copper wire, magnets, and batteries. Register between July 8 and July 15 to guarantee supply availability; pick up a supply kit for this program is at the Main Library July 16-21.

Python
Wed., July 29 at 2 p.m. | Zoom
Join us to learn how to code using Python through Code Combat, where we will learn to code our sprite through difficult levels of their Escape the Dungeon! game. Some basic coding skills preferred, but not necessary.

3D Printing & Simple Circuits
Wed., Aug. 5 at 2 p.m. | Zoom
Curious to learn how you can add a simple circuit to a 3D print? Attend this program where we design houses in Tinkercad to use with a light up circuit. Register between July 22 and July 29 to guarantee supply availability; pick up a supply kit for this program is at the Main Library July 30- August 4.

National Teen Lock-In (NTL)
Fri., July 31 all day | Zoom
Coming to you LIVE from across the nation. NTL 2020 has something for everyone and we’re bringing the party right to you! Check out the list of activities below for a sample of what we’ll have going on. Visit our Events page for full details.
• Photo Scavenger Hunt
• Author chats
• Quiplash and other Jackbox games
• Hunger Games Trivia
• Book Chats with giveaways
• Escape Room Challenge
• Tik Tok Dance-off Challenge:
• Art Parties with candy mosaics and painting tutorials
• Pajama Party and crazy PJ Contest

Candy Art
Fri., July 31 at 7 p.m. or 7:30 p.m. | Zoom
Join us for our take and make it Candy Art Challenge. We will be hosting two sessions of candy art. Participants will have 20 minutes to create their edible candy art around a theme. Supplies will be provided and can be picked up July 27-31. Please register for only one session.

Watercolor Art Tutorial
Fri., July 31 at 11 p.m. | Zoom
Join us for our late night Mountain Landscape Watercolor art tutorial. Supplies will be provided and can be picked up July 27-31 or you can use your own from home.

YA Facebook Chat
Tuesdays at 2 p.m. | Facebook Live
Jump on Facebook Live and join staff from the Young Adult team as they chat about new releases, their favorite reads, games, and more!

Registration is required for all Zoom programs. See page 6.
History
The Clinton-Macomb Public Library is a voluntary partnership between Clinton Township and Macomb Township with an independent governing board and serves over 180,000 residents (excluding the portion in the Mount Clemens School District).

90% of the library’s revenues come from local property taxes, which may only be used for library purposes. The library does not receive funding from the townships or school districts.

All library expenses, including bond payments for the current buildings and new North Branch, are paid out of the operating millage, which was passed by voters in perpetuity in 1998.

The Library Board operates with a “promises made, promises kept” philosophy and has delivered high quality facilities, staff, services and collections. In a 2019 community survey of over 5,300 resident cardholders, 96% of respondents were totally or very satisfied with the library. In the 2017 community survey 99% of residents indicated they felt the library was an essential community service.

The Library Board has always operated the library in a fiscally responsible manner.
- The library has no legacy costs.
- CMPL has kept employee health-care rates constant since 2009.
- We rely on volunteers (nearly 16,000 hours donated in 2019).
- Saved over $900,000 in interest payments by securing lower bond rates.
- 80% of employees are part-time.

Future Outlook
Use of the library is expected to grow in the future:
- The library has 152,000 active cardholders, a 14% increase over 2014.
  - In a 2019 survey of over 5,000 resident cardholders, 96% indicated they would use the library the same or more in the next five years.
  - The library’s service population increased by approximately 30,000 (20%) between 2000 and 2010 and is expected to have added another 20,000 residents between 2010 and 2020.
  - Program attendance has grown by 152% after the supplemental millage was approved in 2014, from 28,663 to 72,331 in 2019.

People of all ages and backgrounds use the library for all sorts of reasons:
- The library’s three locations logged 622,143 visits in 2019 or an average of 12,000 per week.
- While many customers now bring their own devices customers still logged nearly 100,000 sessions using the library’s computers in 2019. One in nine customers indicated on a 2019 community survey that they use the library’s broadband because it is too expensive at home.
- Over 2,000 community meetings were held in the library’s auditorium and conference rooms and over 5,800 group study room reservations were logged in 2019.
- The library has over 522,000 items in its collection with over 2 million circulation transactions logged in 2019.

Proposal Section

District Library

Clinton-Macomb Public Library Millage Proposal

This proposal authorizes Clinton-Macomb Public Library to continue to levy up to .3775 mills for library purposes for 8 years as a renewal of millage previously approved by the electors in 2014, which expires with the 2021 tax levy.

As a renewal of previously authorized millage, shall the Clinton-Macomb Public Library levy taxes in an amount not to exceed .3775 mills ($0.3775 on each $1,000 of taxable value) on taxable property within the Clinton-Macomb Public Library District for a period of 8 years, beginning in the year 2022 and ending in the year 2029, inclusive, to provide funds for Library purposes? It is estimated that .3775 mills would raise approximately $2,449,125 when first levied in 2022.

Yes ☐
No ☐

Why Is CMPL Asking for a Renewal?

CMPL’s original millage revenues have not yet recovered from the losses following the Great Recession. In 1998 residents of Clinton and Macomb Townships approved 1 mill. This rate has been reduced by 13% (to .8676 mills) over the years because of the Headlee Amendment and Proposal A. The effects of these losses equate to $1.2M annually.

The supplemental millage approved in 2014 has also been permanently reduced from .39 mills to .3775 mills, an additional loss of $80K for 2020. Combined, voters have approved 1.39 mills for operation and construction of the library district, but the rate has been reduced to 1.2451 mills and will likely be further reduced in the years ahead.

If the millage is approved:
• Current service levels will be sustained
• Collections will be kept up-to-date and of sufficient size to respond to community demand
• Technology and facilities will be proactively maintained and refreshed to meet community needs
• Upgrade the Main Library to include a drive-up service window like the South Branch and new North Branch will have. One need not look further than the Main Library which is nearly 18 years old and has seen over 6 million visits yet still looks like new!

If the library millage renewal is not approved, the following cuts will be necessary to address the 30% ($2.5M) loss in annual revenues. There will be significant reductions in:
• Hours
• Collections
• Programs
• Services
• Staff

How Much Will It Cost?
The chart below illustrates what the supplemental millage renewal will cost based on the market value of a home:

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1 This table only calculates the supplemental millage payment, not the original operating millage passed in 1998.
2 Taxable value is approximately 50% of the market value.
Virtual Programs for Adults

Changes to Digital Services
After carefully looking at our patrons’ use of digital services over the last year, and particularly during the Stay Home/Stay Safe order, it has become apparent that some platforms are preferred over others. In response, our Cloud Library ends on subscription July 18 and will not be renewed.

This change will allow us to increase our collection development efforts in OverDrive/Libby as well as continue to offer upgraded content in Hoopla. All of our holdings in Cloud Library will move to OverDrive/Libby. If you have a hold on something in Cloud Library on July 18, you will need to place a new hold on that item in OverDrive. If you have something checked out in Cloud Library on July 18th, you maintain access to it for the full checkout period but you will not be able to renew the item.

Medicare 101
Tues., June 23 at 10 a.m. | Zoom
Learn about Medicare, open enrollment and get your questions answered by a representative from the Michigan Medicare/Medicaid Assistance Program (MMAP).

Learn to Ferment
Tues., June 23 at 1 p.m. | Zoom
Renee Pokoj of Organic Stepping Stones demonstrates how to make fermented food: vegetables, mustards, salsa and more!

Abraham Lincoln: Storyteller
Wed., June 24 at 6:30 p.m. | Zoom
Join us as Kevin Wood, Abraham Lincoln scholar and look-alike, brings to life one of our nation’s most fascinating and inspiring characters. “President Lincoln” will share some of his favorite stories and jokes, and discuss his use of humor. You’ll also learn a bit about the nation’s history and President Lincoln’s personal history.

Victory Gardens
Thurs., June 25 at 2:30 p.m. | Zoom
Emily Weiss and Joe Cieslinski of the Edsel and Eleanor Ford House will present the history of Victory Gardens and how you can make one of your own. Bring your questions about gardening as there will also be time for questions and answers.

Knit and Crochet Meet Up
Thursdays: June 25, July 9, July 23, Aug. 6 and Aug. 20 at 7 p.m. | Zoom
Do you enjoy crocheting, knitting, or another craft? Hang out and show off your new creations! All ages and skill levels are welcome. Please register to receive the link to the meet up.

Writing Group
Tuesdays: July 7 and Aug. 4 at 6:30 p.m. | Zoom
Join us virtually to practice and discuss writing in a supportive and encouraging environment. Writers of all ages welcome.

Plant-Based Immunity
Wed., July 8 at 6:30 p.m. | Zoom
Dr. Joel Kahn will explain the immune system and discuss our diet’s role in keeping it strong. Dr. Kahn serves as Clinical Professor of Medicine at Wayne State University School of Medicine. He has been plant-based for over 40 years and lectures across the country on optimal health and diet. This program is offered in partnership with VegMichigan.

Has it been a while since you’ve updated your resume? Tutor.com will review your resume and provide feedback to help you land the interview! Access it at https://cmpl.org

Registration is required for all Zoom programs. See page 6.
Virtual Programs for Adults

**Yoga Classes**
*Select dates | Zoom*
Jenny O’Laughlin, the co-director of Hot Thrive Yoga, will present the following yoga classes:

**Thurs., July 9 at 2 p.m.: Yoga for Beginners.** This class will include accessible, traditional yoga postures and breathing exercises.

**Wed., Aug. 12 at 3 p.m.: Chair Yoga.** Chair yoga is for those with limited mobility. You can enjoy the peace and calm of a yoga practice, while remaining seated.

**Korea: Land of the Morning Calm**
*Mon., July 13 at 3 p.m. | Zoom*
Mariya Fogarasi takes us all to South Korea through her virtual presentation. South Korea is a small Asian country, but ranks significantly in U.S. history. What do we really know of this ancient culture besides political saber rattling, last year’s Winter Olympics, and exports proving it to be an economic powerhouse with a Cinderella story? Travel through Seoul, The Miracle on the Han and other highlights.

**Flower Hair Combs: Take and Make**
*Tues., July 14 at 7 p.m. | Zoom*
Make a cute and fun flower comb hair accessory! The library will provide materials prior to the event. Then join us on Zoom to complete your flower comb! Register between June 25 and July 9. Pick up supplies for this program at the Main Library July 10-13. You may also want wire cutters, scissors and glue (hot glue or school glue). An instructional video will be available on YouTube after July 14.

**Reset & Refresh: Fight Computer Fatigue**
*Wednesdays: July 15, July 22 and July 29 at 10 a.m. | Zoom*
Too many online meetings? Do you have energy drain, eye strain, and brain fog? Teri Flores will guide us using gentle chair exercises and stretching to help battle computer strain. Breathing techniques, simple face yoga and a short meditation will be included. Wear comfortable clothing and use a stable chair for 50 minutes of relaxing and invigorating techniques.

**Michigan’s Thumb Drive**
*Wed., July 15 at 7 p.m. | Zoom*
Join Michael J. Thorp for a historic travelogue of Michigan’s Blue Water Highway with stories of hard work and hard luck, opportunity and riches, and failure and loss. Hear tales of presidents and war heroes, famous inventors and explorers, simple farmers and Ivy League professors. It’s all here in one trip around Michigan’s Thumb.

**Michigan Magnet: Take and Make**
*Sat., July 18 | Craft at Home*
Decorate a blank clay shape of the lower peninsula, and add a magnet for a unique Michigan-made creation by you! The library will provide the basic supplies. Register between June 30 and July 13. Pick up supplies at the North Branch July 14-17. An inspirational video with decorating ideas will be available on YouTube on July 18.

**Grow With Google Livestream - Digital Skills Summer School**
*Wed., July 22 at 12 p.m. | Online*
At this digital skills session, we’ll watch a Livestream showing how digital tools can help you get organized, increase your productivity and manage time more efficiently.

**Acrylic Painting Workshop for Beginners**
*Thurs., July 23 at 2 p.m. | Zoom*
Art instructor Shewta Shah demonstrates Cherry Blossom tree Acrylic Painting in the class. Participants will learn fundamentals of scale and proportion of the subject, layering, color-mixing, brush techniques and more.

**Macrame Plant Hangers: Take and Make**
*Friday, July 24 at 2 p.m. | Zoom*
Make a macrame hanger with us! Register between July 6 and July 19. Pick up supplies for this program at the Main Library July 20-23. The library will provide macrame, a loop to hang it from and instructions. An instructional video will be available on YouTube after July 24.

**Knotted Necklace Craft**
*Sat., July 25 at 11 a.m. | Zoom*
Have you been cleaning your closets? Take an old T-shirt and craft it into a lovely necklace. No sewing experience needed. Join us for a live Zoom meeting and create your necklace with simple directions. Bring a T-shirt and fabric scissors to the virtual meeting.

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Virtual Programs for Adults

Detroit: Past, Present and Future
Wed., July 29 at 7 p.m. | Zoom
Join Jon Chezick, owner of Urb Appeal Tours, for a virtual tour of Detroit. During this online event, you’ll see photos and hear facts and stories from Detroit’s past, present, and future. Whether you are new to the area or have been here your whole life, this online event will be as entertaining as it is enlightening!

100th Anniversary of Suffrage
Tues., Aug. 18 at 12 p.m. | Zoom
Exactly 100 years ago today, the 19th Amendment was ratified giving women in the United States the right to vote. Join us for a virtual lecture by Karen Miller, a Professor of History at Oakland University, on the history of the Suffrage Movement.

Pewabic Pottery: A History Handcrafted in Detroit
Wed., Aug. 26 at 7 p.m. | Zoom
Join Cara Catallo as she tells the story of how Mary Chase Perry Stratton and Horace Caulkins changed the world of ceramics. Their legendary Pewabic lamps, vessels, and architectural tiles have graced libraries, churches, museums, and public buildings for more than a century.

Intro to Telescopes and Stargazing
Thurs., July 30 at 7 p.m. | Zoom
Interested in stargazing as a hobby? Jeffrey MacLeod, Warren Historical Society member and NASA Ambassador, demonstrates different telescopes and explains how to get started as an amateur astronomer. This program is open to adults and kids ages 10 and up. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

The Sanders Confectionery Story
Wed., Aug. 5 at 7 p.m. | Zoom
For 145 years there has been no sweeter word in Detroit than Sanders. A Michigan icon, Sanders served candy, hot fudge sundaes, Bumpy Cake, and a fountain of memories for generations. Greg Tasker joins us on Zoom to tell the story of how Fred Sanders and his family grew their confectionery from a single shop on Woodward Avenue to a household name.

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Sand Art Candle: Take and Make
Sun., Aug. 30 | Craft at Home
August 30 is National Beach Day! Think of the beach as you do a relaxing sand art craft. No screen time required! The library will provide the materials and instructions. Register between Aug. 12-25. Pick up supplies for this program at the North Branch between Aug. 26-29.

Facebook Live Events

No registration is required. Tune in at:
www.facebook.com/Clinton-Macomb-Public-Library/

PopMat Chat
Wednesdays at 12 p.m. | Facebook Live
Your Popular Materials librarians will be meeting every week on Facebook Live to chat about books, pop culture, library news, and more.

We Tried It (So You Can Too!)
Mon., June 22 at 4 p.m. | Facebook Live
Four librarians attempt to follow tutorials from our CMPL databases. Join us on Facebook Live where we’ll be sharing videos and discussing our adventures in trying new things.

Music at Main: Matthew Ball
Sun., June 28 at 1 p.m. | Facebook Live
Join Matthew Ball live on Facebook for a live piano concert. This performance is family-friendly and features songs from New Orleans, Boogie-Woogie and Swing Dance Era favorites.

Potions Class
Fri., July 31 at 1 p.m. | Facebook Live
Celebrate Harry Potter’s 40th birthday with potions class! We will be mixing and tasting drinkable potions for witches and wizards of all ages.

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Virtual Programs for Children

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Tissue Paper Bouquet
Sat., June 27 at 2 p.m. | Zoom
Calling all Tweens, ages 8-12! Join us live on Zoom for a virtual craft program where you will learn to make a beautiful tissue flower bouquet. For this craft, you will need: gift tissue paper (any color), garbage bag or bread twist ties, tape, several pens or pencils, and a pair of scissors.

No-Bake Treats
Tues., June 30 at 10 a.m. | Zoom
Join us as we share some no-bake goodies to make. Recipes will be provided. Ages 5 and up.

Snapology: Mythical Creatures
Tues., July 21 at 10 a.m. | Zoom
Come design, create, and build your own unique, mythical creature! This program is for ages 6-12. To participate, please have loose Lego bricks, blank paper, pencil/crayons, and a 32x32 base plate (optional).

Virtual Story Times

Live Story Times
June 22 and 24 at 10 a.m. | Facebook Live
Join your favorite CMPL librarians on Facebook Live for fun story time activities. No registration required.

Virtual Story Times
Mondays, Thursdays and Saturdays at 10 a.m. | Zoom
Story times will take place from June 27-July 30. Join us:
Little Listeners on Mondays at 10 a.m. (2-3 years)
Baby Time on Thursdays at 10 a.m. (0-23 months)
Little Listeners on Saturdays at 10 a.m. (all ages)
There will be no story time on Sat., July 4.

Pajamarama
Wednesdays: July 8 and Aug. 12 at 6:30 p.m. | Zoom
Put on your jammies and join us for bedtime stories and songs.

Wrapping Paper Lotus Flower
Sat., July 25 at 2 p.m. | Zoom
Tweens, ages 8-12, join us live for a virtual craft program where you will learn to make origami lotus flowers from gift wrapping paper. You will need gift wrapping paper (any kind), scissors, tape, a ruler, and a pen or pencil.

Jackbox Games
Wed., Aug. 5 at 10 a.m. | Zoom
Join us for some fun, kid-friendly games. Grades 3 to 5.

Composting with Worms
Thurs., Aug. 6 at 2 p.m. | Zoom
Let’s learn about worms! Come join us as we talk about how to make dirt, in other word--compost! There will be a short exploration outside as we find what is in our backyard that worms like to eat. This program is for ages 6-14.

Ready, Set, Kindergarten
Fridays: Aug. 7, 14 and 21 at 11 a.m. | Zoom
Children about to enter kindergarten in September 2020 are invited to join us for activities designed to prepare them for school. Early math and science concepts along with literacy development activities will help your child get ready for their big transition to kindergarten! Register for each session individually.

Candy Art
Mon., Aug. 10 at 10 a.m. | Zoom
Let’s make art with candy! This program is for ages 6-11. We will provide program supplies to all registered participants via curbside pickup from the North Branch August 3-8.

Cardboard Crafts
Tues., Aug. 25 at 4 p.m. | Zoom
Join us for a virtual craft challenge. Grades K-5. We’ll be using cardboard for our challenge (paper towel or toilet paper tubes, cereal boxes, shipping boxes, etc) along with any other supplies and materials you have at home. We can’t wait to see what you create!
Facebook Live Events

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TechKnowKids: Let’s Grow Together
Thurs., July 9 at 2 p.m. | Facebook Live
After a great informational story about how plants grow, we will explore different seeds and different ways that seeds can be planted. We will also make some edible dirt! Materials needed: seeds that you may have around your house (popcorn, bean, apple, flower, bird), paper towel, sandwich bag, stapler, pudding or pudding cup, cookie and gummy worms.

Imagine That!
Thurs., July 16 at 2 p.m. | Facebook Live
Join the Children’s Theatre of Michigan in this high energy, musical, story-theatre show.

TechKnowKids: Science of Ice Cream
Fri., July 17 at 10 a.m. | Facebook Live
How does ice cream freeze? We will learn about the science of ice cream by making ice cream in a bag! Materials needed: milk, sugar, vanilla, quart-sized Ziploc, gallon-sized Ziploc, ice (enough to fill the gallon bag half-way) and 1/3 cup salt.

Dessert Lab
Sat., July 18 at 3 p.m. | Facebook Live
Tweens ages 8-12 years old come join us for some fun as we create an ice cream dessert using science.

Yoga for Kids
Mon., July 20 at 10:30 a.m. | Facebook Live
This playful class will combine simple yoga poses with engaging songs, puppets and stories that exercise social, sensory and motor skills while increasing flexibility. Children ages 4-6 will strengthen their bodies as they learn how to focus through breathing and relaxation techniques.

Kitchen Science
Thurs., July 23 at 2 p.m. | Facebook Live
Join us as we use everyday kitchen supplies to do different science experiments. Grab a parent and try it out with us!

Owls
Fri., July 31 at 10 a.m. | Facebook Live
Learn about owls, such as Hedwig from Harry Potter, from the Howell Nature Center. This program is for ages 3-12.

Zeemo’s Fractured Fairy Tales
Tues., Aug. 4 at 10 a.m. | Facebook Live
Zeemo the Yo-Yo Man shows off his tricks and stories from the Kingdom of Comedy. It is a highly interactive and fun show for children ages 3-12.

Joel Tacey’s Magic Workshop
Sat., Aug. 8 at 2 p.m. | Facebook Live
Learn how to perform simply amazing, yet amazingly simple magic tricks with common items around your home.

Joel Tacey’s Variety Show
Thurs., Aug. 13 at 10:30 a.m. | Facebook Live
Featuring a variety of magic, juggling, stunts and lots of laughs! This program is for ages 3-12.

Personalized CHILDREN’S BOOK RECOMMENDATIONS
Email childrensservices@cmpl.org this info:
1. What’s your favorite book?
2. Something you do NOT want to read about.
3. What grade are you in?
We’ll email you back with some recommendations!

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Book Discussions for Adults and Children

Let’s Get Real
3rd Mondays at 6 p.m. | Zoom

July 20: Braving the Wilderness: The Quest for True Belonging and the Courage to Stand Alone by Brené Brown
Aug. 17: The Stranger in the Woods: The extraordinary story of the last true hermit by Michael Finkel

North Branch Book Blasters
Select Mondays at 1 p.m. | Zoom
Ages 7-9 are invited to discuss a book online. We will provide a copy of the book and craft supplies to all registered participants via curbside pickup from the North Branch.

July 13: Giants Beware! by Jorge Aguirre
Aug. 10: Where Were the Seven Wonders of the Ancient World? by Yona Zeldis McDonough

North Branch Mystery Book Discussion
3rd Tuesdays at 10 a.m. | Zoom
Mystery lovers will enjoy a virtual discussion. Copies of the book can be found on hoopla.

July 21: Cold Tuscan Stone by David P. Wagner
Aug. 18: Lake on the Mountain by Jeffrey Round

South Branch Book Discussions for Kids
Select Saturdays | Zoom
Ages 7-9 are invited to discuss a book online. Visit Libby or hoopla at cmpl.org for a copy of these books.

July 11: All Manner of Things by Susie Finkbeiner
Aug. 8: 142 Ostriches by April Davila

July 27: The Ruin of Kings by Jenn Lyons

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Books on Tap
2nd Mondays at 6 p.m. | Zoom
Copies of the book can be found on Libby/Overdrive and hoopla.

July 13: Don’t You Forget About Me by Mhairi McFarlane
Aug. 10: Euphoria by Lily King

Book Blasters (ages 7-9)
Sat., June 20 at 12:30 p.m.: Who Was King Tut? by Roberta Edwards

Book Blasters and Xtreme Readers (ages 7-12)
Special joint event!
This will be a combined book club for students ages 7-12.

Sat., July 18 at 1 p.m.: Diary of a Wimpy Kid Wrecking Ball by Jeff Kinney

Xtreme Readers (ages 10-12)
Sat., June 20 at 1:30 p.m.: Merci Suarez Changes Gears by Meg Medina

Adult Battle of the Books
Save the Date!
Sat., Nov. 14 at 2 p.m. | Main Library
CMPL will host the second annual Battle of the Books event for adults! This is a team-based trivia game, where readers compete for fun and prizes. This year’s selections are:

In Shock by Rana Awdish
The Water Dancer by Ta-Nehisi Coates
The Warehouse by Rob Hart
The Stationery Shop by Marjan Kamali
Miracle Creek by Angie Kim
How Not to Die Alone by Richard Roper

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Voting Matters
This August marks the 100th Anniversary of women's suffrage in America. Now, more than ever, it is important to exercise your right to vote. Please join us for a special online lunch and learn presentation on the fight for women's suffrage. See page 12 for more details.

This August, there is also a primary election for national and local issues and CMPL will be on the ballot. Please see pages 8-9 to read more about the library renewal mill-age.

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