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# Help for Low-Vision **Customers**

CMPL has a large selection of items to appeal to people who have low vision. We carry almost 6,000 titles in Large Type, including your favorite hot fiction and nonfiction titles. We also have a large selection of audiobooks on CD, cassette and Playaway audio. All three locations



carry various magnifiers you can check out to see which ones work best for you in real life situations.

At the Main Library, there is an assistive technology workstation where you can scan letters and have the computer read them to you. You may also go online and have the computer read the screen to you or just enjoy the magnification software that will make the screen easier to read. You can also use our closed-circuit television to magnify personal items such as bills, recipes or books. Stop by the Popular Materials Desk today for more information on our low-vision aids.

# Thank You Home Depot!



CMPL would like to thank the Roseville Home Depot for its generous donation of materials to help make the South Branch's Mother's Day story time a success!

# Could You Be Our 100,000th Cardholder?

Library Card Sign-Up Month is approaching! Aside from registering for a card that will assist you in

accessing thousands of books, movies, CDs and video games for free, it could also make you a winner. If you're the 100,000th cardholder you will receive a gift certificate to the Library Gift Store and have a book plated in your honor. In 2006 we registered



2,983 new customers. As of July 2007 we have already registered 4,276 customers and the year isn't over yet! So far that is a 43% increase in new cardholders. Signing up for a library card is simple. Just bring your proof of residency, such as a driver's license or utility bill, to any CMPL location and fill out an application. Discover why your library card is the smartest card in your wallet today!



As the library completes its strategic planning process, I would like to thank the more than three thousand people who provided their opinions regarding current and potential library services. This input will help us shape a plan to best serve the needs of our community in the future.

The survey, which was conducted in June of this year, yielded a large amount of data. It was most pleasing to see that the overall satisfaction level with the Clinton-Macomb Public Library was a remarkable 98.3%! The "any other comments" question at the end generated many wonderful responses, like the following:

- "Best library in Michigan, in my opinion!"
- "I am addicted to you! I can't believe all the money I used to spend on books I only read one time. Thank You!"
- "Great library. Initially against it; too many taxes already and did not want to increase burden on taxpayer. We use it a lot and love it."
- "I absolutely love the North Branch. It is like going to Borders, but more quiet, and free."
- "I feel lucky to have such a wonderful building in my community. What a great place to just sit and relax while learning.
  The main branch is the jewel of Macomb County as far as I'm concerned."
- "I love it when my kid begs to go to the library. How cool is that?!?"
- "My children and I love our library (South Branch). Everyone is always friendly and helpful and we love the summer reading program."
- "I just wanted to say my husband would like to move from this area but I have put my foot down because I don't want to lose my libraries that I love so much!!!"

Suggestions from the survey will be incorporated into our annual goals, such as purchasing a professional machine to repair scratched DVDs and audiobooks on CD. Other recommendations like longer hours and larger branch libraries will become longer-term goals in our strategic plan.

Again, thank you to everyone who participated in our survey, and as always, you are welcome to share your comments and suggestions about the library.

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# Clinton-Macomb Public Library

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# **Main Library**

40900 Romeo Plank Road Clinton Township, MI 48038-2955 (586) 226-5000

#### **North Branch**

16800 24 Mile Road Macomb Township, MI 48042-2990 (586) 226-5080 Emily Kubash, Branch Manager

#### **South Branch**

35891 South Gratiot Avenue Clinton Township, MI 48035-2855 (586) 226-5070 Gretchen Krug, Branch Manager

#### **Hours of Service**

Monday-Thursday 9 a.m.-9 p.m.
Friday-Saturday 9 a.m.-6 p.m.
Sunday 1 p.m.-6 p.m.

\*\*(\*September-May, Main Library only)

# **Board of Trustees**

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#### **New Self-Check Machines**

CMPL has upgraded the self-check technology so you may now check out puppets, J-Kits and book discussion kits yourself. There is no need to bring them to the Circulation Desk to check out anymore. To check out a puppet, J-Kit or a book discussion kit, simply scan the barcode attached to the item under the scanner by the checkout pad. These items must still be returned to the Circulation Desk at the Main Library and cannot go through the automatic book return system. However, by taking advantage of being able to check these items out on your own, you will save time. If you have questions our Circulation staff will happy to assist you.

# **Library Card Sign-Up Month**

Start the school year off right by signing up for a library card. Children in grades K-2 in local school districts will receive a letter inviting them to sign up for their first library card. If they sign up in September they will



receive a free book! With school starting, a library card is the perfect way to ensure that you and your child have access to a number of databases including Homework

Help. Your library card also allows you access to the Internet and other applications at the library. Applying for a card is easy. Bring a valid driver's license or another proof of residency such as a utility bill, and fill out the paperwork to receive a library card that allows access to books, movies, databases, magazines and more!

# 15% off!

Celebrate National Library Card Sign-Up Month! During September this coupon is worth a 15% discount on regularly priced merchandise at the Library Gift Store.

(Friends merchandise and specially priced items excluded.

May not be combined with other offers.)

#### 'Tis the Season

Back to school and through the holidays, the Library Gift Store is the place for the smart shopper. Check in to the Store and check out the selection of pens, pencils, highlighters, notebooks, flash drives, diskettes, totes, colorful lunch coolers and more. Remember that proceeds from Store merchandise sales go directly back to the library.

You can get an early start on holiday preparations at the Library Gift Store. You'll find a fine selection of wonderful items for your home, friends and family.

Stationery, jewelry and learning games that are FUN (like the Dr. Toy 2007 award winner Mythmatical Battles created by a Michigan entrepreneur) are waiting for you. Let your gift-giving imagination soar with cards, puzzles, music boxes, Russian nesting dolls, beautiful rock



specimens, vases, hand-crafted trinket boxes, book bags, wall hangings, rings and necklaces, great toys and many other special things. While the choices are many, the quantity is kept small, so don't miss your chance for the perfect present at a fair price today!

We would like to thank the wonderful crew of volunteers that help make the Store possible. Thanks to their dedication the Store is open from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Monday & Tuesday and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Wednesday through Saturday. In addition, the Store will have Sunday hours from 1:30 to 5 p.m. from September 9 to December 16, 2007. We will gladly place merchandise on hold and accept all major credit cards. Personal checks with a valid CMPL library card for identification are also welcome.

Just a reminder, CMPL library cards are always in season. Visit the circulation desk at any of CMPL's facilities for an application and discover what a tremendous value you have at your library!

# **CMPL Book Discussion Groups**

CMPL offers three different book discussion groups to appeal to all types of book lovers. Take a look at the selection of book groups we have to offer and join us. Remember, no registration is required to attend any book discussion. Simply read the book and show up ready to discuss it.

**South Branch-** The South Branch hosts a book discussion on the **first Saturday** of the month at **12 p.m.**Please note that the September book discussion has been moved to the second Saturday of the month due to the Labor Day holiday.

**September 8:** *True North* by Jill Ker Conway

**October 6:** Annie Freeman's Fabulous Traveling Funeral by Kris Radish

November 3: Water for Elephants by Sara Gruen

December 1: An Unfinished Life by Mark Spragg

Main Library- The Main Library hosts a book discussion designed to appeal to people who like good books and good discussion. Novel Conversations, formerly the Young Professionals, meets at 7 p.m. on the second Thursday of each month. Please note the November date has been moved to the third Thursday of the month.

September 13: The World is Flat by Thomas L. Friedman

October 11: Children of God by Maria Dora Russell

**November 15:** The Lake of Dead Languages by Carol Goodman

**December 13:** *Before You Know Kindness* by Christopher A. Bohjalian

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

September 18: Beyond Suspicion by James Grippando

October 16: A Place of Execution by Val McDermid

November 20: Killing Floor by Lee Child

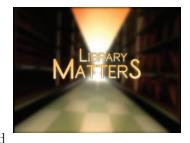
December 18: Blindfold Game by Dana Stabenow

# **Library Matters Live**

While you're channel surfing this fall, why not check out what is playing on Clinton and Macomb Township Cable TV? In addition to learning more about your commu-

nity, you can also tune in to get some great information from the library.

CMPL has its own cable show on both channels called *Library Matters Live*. Larry Neal takes you around



the Main Library, North Branch and South Branch to tell you about new library services, programs and new materials at all CMPL locations. Clinton and Macomb Township Cable Television assists the library in filming these episodes, which air several times a year on local cable.

If you'd like to learn more about the library and get a sneak peek at new and exciting services and activities, then tune in! For more information about the television schedule visit Clinton Township at http://www.clintontownship-mi.gov/. For more information about Macomb Township television programming visit http://www.macomb-mi.gov/.

# **Library Hours**

Beginning **Sunday, September 9** the Main Library will be open on Sundays from 1-6 p.m. The branches will remain closed.

Saturday, September 1 - Monday, September 3 Closed for Labor Day

> Monday, November 12 Closed for Veterans Day

Wednesday, November 21 Closed at 6 p.m.

Thursday, November 22 Closed for Thanksgiving

Sunday, December 23 - Tuesday, December 25
Closed for Christmas

Monday, December 31 - Tuesday, January 1 Closed for New Year's

# **Technology Updates**

Over the summer the library switched to a new management system for the public computers called PC Cop. The previous system from 3M called PAMS was being discontinued and was not meeting all of the

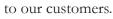
library's needs. The new system will offer many benefits including printing from customer-provided equipment, use of more styles of library cards and lower ongoing maintenance costs. The library is also working to expand services such as word processing and wi-fi



access to the North and South Branch libraries. Unfortunately, the transition to the new system took longer than expected resulting in service problems for several customers. We apologize for the inconvenience and look forward to the improved and expanded public computer services that will be available this fall.

#### **Technical Tutors Wanted**

Do you have a natural gift for teaching, and enjoy working with others? The **South Branch** is seeking a few dedicated and patient volunteers who are knowledgeable in using computers to help launch an experimental program in the coming year for one-on-one or small group tutoring for teaching basic computer skills





The South Branch hopes to have a wireless connection with a laptop available in the coming year to launch the new service.

This new service will enable customers who are new to computers to learn at a comfortable pace, develop confidence and get that extra instruction that they need in order to attain a core understanding of computing basics.

Anyone interested in volunteering must demonstrate familiarity with using an Internet browser, setting up and using an e-mail account, and using Microsoft Office applications such as Word. These lessons will either be by appointment or at an appointed time depending on the volunteer's availability. South Branch Manager Gretchen Krug will work with the volunteer(s) to initially set up a curriculum that will meet the needs of library customers. Please e-mail Gretchen Krug at gkrug@cmpl.org if you are interested in applying for this volunteer opportunity.



CMPL is pleased to offer two different film series for adults at the **Main Library**. This fall, we will begin showing the same movie in the evening as well as at the movie matinee. You now have two opportunities to catch a great new release at the library. We will provide water and popcorn at both movie showings. You are free to bring a beverage in a covered container if you wish.

Wednesday, September 12 at 6:30 p.m. and Thursday, September 20 at 1 p.m.: *Dreamgirls* is based on the Tony Award-winning Broadway musical about a trio of black female soul singers who go from just a group with talent to being a crossover hit on the pop charts in the early '60s. The friendship of the three girls from Chicago is put to the test when they are faced with the pressure of money, fame and adulation. *Rated PG-13*.

Wednesday, October 10 at 6:30 p.m. and Thursday, October 18 at 1 p.m.: The Pursuit of Happyness starring Will Smith as Chris Gardner, who is bright and talented, but is struggling to make ends meet. When he and his five-year-old son are evicted from their apartment, Gardner takes a chance with a prestigious stock brokerage firm. They endure many hardships but he follows his dream to make a better life for the two of them in this inspirational true story. Rated PG-13.

Wednesday, November 14 at 6:30 p.m. and Thursday, November 15 at 1 p.m.: *Man of the Year* starring funny man Robin Williams as a wise-cracking late-night political talk show host who decides, on a lark, to run for President. He runs a somewhat serious campaign designed to shake up the corrupt political system and what happens next is as suspenseful as it is funny. *Rated PG-13*.

Wednesday, December 12 at 6:30 p.m. and Thursday, December 20 at 1 p.m.: *Music and Lyrics* starring Hugh Grant as washed-up '80s pop star Alex Fletcher who gets a chance at a comeback when a reigning diva invites him to write and record a duet with her. He hasn't written a song in years but by chance discovers that Sophie, his quirky plant lady, has a flair for words. The two collaborate and create chemistry both on and off the page. *Rated PG-13*.



#### **Grab Bag Crafts**

If you love to cut, glue and color, then join the North Branch for Grab Bag Crafts on Saturday, September 22 at 11 a.m. We'll put our favorite crafts from the past year into a bag, and you can pull them out and create them until they are gone. This program is for ages 5-10 and registration begins on September 8.

#### **Drummunity @ CMPL**

Get with the rhythm. The rhythm of the drum. With drummunity! Kids, parents, anyone who likes something different for their music, join us at the Main Library on Saturday, September 15 at 10:30 a.m. for this



intergenerational program. Lori Fithian will bring her collection of hand drums and percussion toys to share with the audience and transform us into a "drummunity". This program is sure to set your toes a tappin'. No musical experience is necessary. This program is open to the public, however, registration is encouraged.

# **Every Child Ready to Read**

It's never too early to give your child a start on the path to reading. Because reading is such an essential skill for

life we want our children to be successful as they learn and later enjoy it. Parents can help their children be ready to learn by reading to them, asking questions and playing word games. The library will offer three age appropriate workshops with activities and handouts to help you get



September 18 Early Talkers, birth to 2 yearsSeptember 19 Talkers, 2 and 3-year-oldsSeptember 20 Pre-readers, 4 and 5-year-olds

#### **Bats!**

Did you know that there are over 900 different kinds of bats in the world? And that bats eat an amount equal to half their body weight a night? And the largest bat has

a wing span of about 6 feet? Want to know more about these gentle mammals? Then come to the library and meet some bats. The Organization for Bat Conservation



will present the program "Bats Incredible" at the Main Library on Saturday, October 20 at 10:30 a.m. Join us and learn firsthand more about bats. This program is open to the public but registration is recommended.

# **Halloween Party**

Join us for fun, crafts, and games at our Halloween Party for kids at the **North Branch**. The festivities will be held on **Thursday, October 25** at **10:30 a.m.** Costumes are optional. This program

is for ages 3-6 and registration begins on October 11.

# South Branch Halloween Costume Party

Get your costumes ready and fly over to the **South Branch** on **Saturday, October 27** at **2 p.m.** for a Halloween Costume Party

for children of all ages. Visit with Hazel the Witch for a special Halloween story, sing songs and make crafts. There will be a prize for best Halloween costume. **Registration is required and begins on Saturday, October 13.** See you there!

# Halloween Crafts



Witches, goblins and ghosts ages 7 to 10 are invited to the Main Library on Saturday, October 27 at 2 p.m. to create fun Halloween crafts. Come make your own climbing spider, cute black cat and more!



# **Story Times**

Story time is a great way to introduce your child to the library, to language and early literacy skills and to group activities. The simple rhymes help a child to distinguish letter sounds. The stories introduce new words. Children learn to socialize with others in the group. And it's fun. Fall story time will run for two sessions. Session I will run the week of September 10 through the week of October 15. Session II will run the week of November 12 through the week of December 10. Registration is required for story time at the Main Library only. Registration begins August 27 for session I. Registration begins October 29 for session II.

#### **Main Library**

Mondays at 9:30 a.m. (0 - 10 months) Mondays at 10:30 a.m. (11 - 36 months) Mondays at 11:15 a.m. (11 - 36 months) Tuesdays at 10 a.m. (2 - 3 years) Tuesdays at 2:30 p.m. (3 - 5 years) Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. (2 - 3 years) Wednesdays at 10 a.m. (2 - 3 years) Wednesdays at 11 a.m. (3 - 5 years) Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. (Family)

#### North Branch

Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. (12 - 24 months) Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m. (3 - 6 years) Wednesdays at 11:15 a.m. (12 - 24 months) Thursdays at 9:30 a.m. (0 - 11 months) Thursdays at 10:30 a.m. (2 - 3 years) Thursdays at 11:15 a.m. (2 - 3 years)

#### South Branch

Tuesdays at 9:30 a.m. (18 - 36 months) Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m. (3 - 5 years) Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. (18 - 36 months) Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m. (3 - 5 years) Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. (Family)

# Second Saturday Story Times

The **North Branch** will host special weekend story times for children ages 4 and up and parents who might not be able to make it to the library during the week. Start the second Saturday of the month off with fun



stories, rhymes and crafts. Second Saturday Story Times will take place at 10:30 a.m. on September 8, October 13, November 10 and December 8. No registration is required.

# **Registration Reminder**

Registration is required unless otherwise noted.

Due to limited space we cannot accommodate group registrations for events. This includes daycare and Scout troops. Please remember that you can always register online at the Events page at www.cmpl.org/ Events.

 Main Library
 226-5030

 North Branch
 226-5083

 South Branch
 226-5073

# **Baby Play Times**

Baby Play Time will occur the week of September 10 through October 18 and the week of November 12

through the week of December 10 at the Main Library and the North Branch. Baby Play Time at the North Branch will be held on Mondays at 10 a.m. Baby



Play Time at the Main Library will be held on Mondays and Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. No registration is required.

# **Music and Movement Story Time**

The North Branch will host a special music and movement story time on Tuesdays at 10 a.m. for children

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ages 2-4. This 30-minute program will concentrate on songs, rhymes, movement with streamers and scarves, and use of rhythm instruments while helping to promote a positive adult-child interaction and emergent literacy skills. Music and movement story times will take place the week of September 10 through the week of

October 18 and the week of November 12 through the week of December 10. No registration is required.

# **Movies at North Branch**

On Saturday, October 20 at 10:30 a.m. the North Branch will show It's the Great Pumpkin Charlie Brown. On Saturday, November 17 at 10:30 a.m. come to the North Branch to see A Charlie Brown Thanksgiving. Join us for the movie and stay to make a fun craft. The North Branch will also be showing Happy Feet on Thursday, December 27 at 2 p.m. No craft will be made at the Happy Feet showing. These movie events are intended for children ages 3 and up. Registration begins two weeks prior to each movie.



#### **PAWS for Reading**

Children are invited to practice their reading skills at

PAWS for Reading activities.
PAWS dogs encourage children
by being attentive, non-judgmental practice partners for children
learning to read. A variety of
PAWS dogs will be available at all
three locations and times.



PAWS dogs will be at the **North Branch** at **6:30 p.m.** on the following dates:

Tuesday, September 11 Tuesday, September 25 Tuesday, October 10 Tuesday, October 23 Tuesday, November 11 Tuesday, November 20 Tuesday, December 4 Tuesday, December 18

PAWS dogs will be at the **Main Library** at **6:30 p.m.** on the following dates:

Monday, September 10 Monday, September 24 Monday, October 8 Monday, October 22 Monday, November 12 Monday, November 26 Monday, December 10

# **Special Thanks**

At press time the Summer Reading Club was winding down and we were getting ready to give away a Nintendo Wii. This year we gave out our largest prizes ever and we would like to again thank the following sponsors of the Summer Reading Club: Citizen's State Bank, Clinton Township Optimists, Community Central Bank, Dairy Queen, Friends of the Library, Gemini Moon, Laser Quest and Zap Zone.

#### "Carnival of the Books"

Celebrate Children's Book Week at the Main Library on Thursday, November 15 with special story times, face painting and crafts! We will have refreshments and a simple craft to make in the Children's Activity Room available all day. The drop-in story time will be offered at 10 a.m., 2 p.m. and 6 p.m. in the Children's Story Time Room with no registration required. Face painting will be offered at 11 a.m., 3 p.m. and 7 p.m. in the Children's Activity Room with no registration required. Make sure to keep an eye out for characters from your favorite stories wandering about the Library! All ages are welcome.

#### **Toddler Crafts**

Children ages 2-3 are invited to the North Branch at 10:30 a.m. on Thursday, November 1 and 10:30 a.m. on Thursday, December 20 for toddler crafts. Registration begins two weeks prior to each craft program.

# **Tree Trimming Open House**

Help decorate the **North Branch** for the holiday season at our Tree Trimming craft program on **Wednesday**, **December 5** from **3-6** p.m. Children ages 4-12 can stop by anytime during this time to make ornaments for our tree or paper chains for decorations. **Registration begins on November 21.** 

# **Auntie Claus Story Time**

Make sure to bring your cameras to the North Branch on **December 8** at **10:30** a.m. as Elise Primavera's Auntie Claus will be our special guest reader for our Second Saturday Story Time! This program is for ages 4 and up and **no registration is required**.

#### **Stories with Santa**

Join us on December 12 at 6:30 p.m. at the South Branch to enjoy stories and songs with Santa. Bring your cameras along to get that special photo of your child on Santa's lap. Light refreshments will be provided. All ages are welcome. Registration begins Wednesday, November 28.

# **Holiday Crafts**

Come to the Main Library on Thursday, December 13 from 3:30 -5 p.m. to make some festive decorations for the upcoming holidays. The Children's Activity Room will be set up with craft supplies for children in grades 4-6 to make wonderful holiday crafts. Registration begins November 29.



#### Fall Used Book Sale

The Friends of the Library have been collecting and sorting donations for months in order to get ready for the fall 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! *Please note that strollers are not allowed in the book sale rooms on Wednesday or Thursday.* Remember, a membership to the Friends of the Library is available at any time at any CMPL location.

Wednesday, October 3

5:30-8:30 p.m. Friends Night Only

Thursday, October 4

12 p.m.-8 p.m.

Friday, October 5 and Saturday, October 6 9:30 a.m.-5 p.m.

Sunday, October 7

1:15-3:15 p.m. Bag Day

Monday, October 8

9:30 a.m.-12 p.m. Free Book Day

# From Ghoulies and Ghosties

The Friends of the Library will sponsor a program that will be sure to send shivers up the spine on **Tuesday**, **October 9** at **7 p.m.** Storyteller Rob McCabe will stop

by the Main Library to present a special Halloween program on ghouls and ghosts. McCabe is a member of the National Story-

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member of the National Storytelling Network, the North Oakland County Storytellers and the

Ann Arbor Storytellers' Guild. He has traveled throughout the metropolitan Detroit area offering storytelling and writing workshops as well as performances. *You do not need to be a member of the Friends of the Library to attend this program.* If you'd like to get know the Friends of the Library better, now would be a great time to visit!

# **Volunteer Opportunities**

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

Friday, September 28 and Saturday, September 29 9:30 a.m.-2 p.m.

Sunday, September 30

1:15 p.m.-5 p.m.

Monday, October 1 and Tuesday, October 2 9:30 a.m.-2 p.m.

#### **Design a Bookmark Winners**

Last spring the Friends of the Library sponsored the Design a Bookmark contest. We received many great entries, but we were finally able to choose the winners and runners up below. You can pick up a copy of the winning bookmarks at all CMPL locations this fall.

Winners received a ribbon and gift card. Thank you to all who participated in the Design a Bookmark contest! We can't wait to see the entries we get next year.

#### Kindergarten-3rd grade

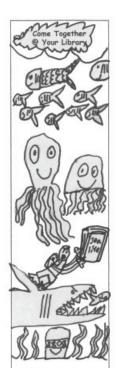
Kaylie McLean, winner Dana Ford, first runner up Connor Sloan, second runner up

#### 4th grade-6th grade

Robecca Almario, winner Ramanpreet Kaur, first runner up Haley Amber Mueller, second runner up

#### 7th grade - 9th grade

Samantha Stockwell, winner Rachel Stahl, first runner up Alexa Fortuna, second runner up



#### **Teen Program Reminder**

All programs are for 6th through 12th graders ONLY. Registration is required for all programs unless otherwise noted. To register call 226-5040 or visit our Events page at www.cmpl.org.

# Teen Advisory Council

The Teen Advisory Council, otherwise known as the TAC, will be meeting again this fall. This group is open to teens in grades 6-12 living in Clinton or Macomb Township. Please join us in September if you are interested in helping plan our teen programs. TAC meetings will be from 4-5 p.m. at the Main Library in Conference Room B on Wednesday:

> September 19 November 14

# **Teen Tie-Dye Craft**

Join us at the Main Library on Thursday, September 27 at 6:30 p.m. for a fun tie-dying craft. Please bring a new white cotton tee or tank top and we will provide the other necessary supplies. This program is for teens, grades 6 through 12. Registration begins Thursday, September 13.

# DDR/Guitar Hero Open House

DDR/GH Open House will continue this fall with a new day and time. This program is offered to teens, entering grades 6-12 on Fridays from 3-5 p.m. in the auditorium at the Main Library. Make

sure to wear comfortable clothes and shoes. No registration is required. DDR/GH will be of-

fered on the following Fridays:

September 14 October 12 October 26 November 9 December 7 December 21

# **WrestleMania Reading** Challenge

Pick up a reading log to join the WrestleMania Reading Challenge at the end of Teen Read Week at any CMPL

location. Teens in grades 6-12 must read 10 chapter books or magazines (at least 8 must be books) by mid-January 2008. Teens who turn in a reading log



will win a prize from WWE. For a chance to win a trip for two to WrestleMania 24, teens must also submit an essay on the topic "Why Wrestling Inspired Me to Read". More information will be available during Teen Read Week, October 14-20.

#### Fall Costume Ball

The TAC will host a costume ball on Thursday, October 18 from 5-7 p.m. at the Main Library to help celebrate Teen Read Week 2007. There will be food, karaoke, games and prizes. Costumes are requested as there will be a contest with prizes for different categories, so get creative! This program



is for teens, grades 6 through 12. Registration begins Thursday, October 4.

# Scrapbooking Club

The teen scrapbooking club will meet at the Main Library once a month on Saturdays from 3-4:30 p.m.



You can share scrap-booking ideas and learn fun techniques to make your photos and memories last. Please bring photos, scraps, pens, etc. and we will provide glue, die-cuts, special scissors, paper, etc. for use during the session. We will also have snacks and drinks too.

This club is for teens only, grades 6-12. **Registration is** required and begins two weeks prior to each ses**sion.** The club will meet on the following Saturdays:

> September 8 October 6 November 3 December 1

# **Teen Game Night**

Teens are invited to join us on Thursday, November 29 at the Main Library at 6:30 p.m. for Teen Game Night. There will be board games and card games for everyone to play. We will have games available to play, but feel free to bring your own



favorite game too. This program is for teens, grades 6 through 12. **No registration required** and snacks will be provided.

# Celebrate Teen Read Week LOL @Your Library

Teen Read Week is October 14-October 20! This year's theme is LOL @ your Library. CMPL will join thousands of libraries, book stores and schools across the country that are encouraging teen reading during this week. Come to the library any time during Teen Read Week to pick up some funny fiction. If you need help

finding a good book with a good laugh, we have listed a few of our favorite funny titles below. Don't forget that Teen Read Week





is also the time to pick up a WrestleMania Reading Log for your chance to win a prize from the WWE. All titles below are found in the Young Adult Fiction under Call number YA.

A Fate Totally Worse than Death by Paul Fleischman
All-American Girl by Meg Cabot
Angus, Thongs and Full-Frontal Snogging by Louise Rennison
Be More Chill by Ned Vizzini
Confess-O-Rama by Ron Koertge
How I Spent my Last Night on Earth by Todd Strasser
Miss Smithers by Susan Juby
No More Dead Dogs by Gordon Korman
Pulling Princes by Tyne O'Connell
Son of the Moh by Gordon Korman
The Boyfriend List by E. Lockheart
The Secret Blog of Raisin Rodriguez by Judy Goldschmidt
Things You Either Hate or Love by Brigid Lowry
True Confessions of a Hollywood Starlet by Lola Douglas

Vegan Virgin Valentine by Carolyn Mackler



#### **New YA Material**

Are you looking for a great story to read? We have a

variety of new fiction and nonfiction titles that you might have missed. Take a look at the books we've recently added to our collection and enjoy a good book this fall!



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Your Own Silvia: A Verse Portrait of Sylvia Plath by Stephanie Hemphill

#### NEW YA CHIMA

The Wizard Heir by Cinda Williams Chima

#### NEW YA GOLDSCHMIDT

Will the Real Raisin Rodriguez Please Stand Up?: A Novel by Judy Goldschmidt

#### NEW YA GORMLEY

Salome by Beatrice Gormley

#### NEW YA KOERTGE

Strays by Ronald Koertge

#### **NEW YA RESTLESS**

The Restless Dead: Ten Original Stories of the Supernatural

#### NEW YA SCOTT

The Alchemyst: The Secrets of the Immortal Nicholas Flamel by Michael Dylan Scott

#### **NEW YA SHARENOW**

My Mother the Cheerleader by Robert Sharenow

#### **NEW YA SMITH**

Tantalize by Cynthia Leitich Smith

#### NEW YA TOWNLEY

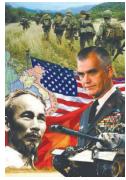
The Red Thread: A Novel in Three Incarnations by Rod Townley



# Adult Programs

#### **Explore the Vietnam War**

The Main Library is pleased to welcome back Oakland University's Dr. Karen Miller to lead another film and discussion series focusing on the Vietnam War. This four-part series will explore the events leading up to the conflict using documentary films and discussion. Attend one session or attend all four.



Monday, October 15 at 7 p.m. American Experience: Two Days in October. This film, part of the PBS series American Experience, examines events in the United States and Vietnam in the fall of 1967. It focuses on anti-war demonstrations in Wisconsin and interlays that with a battle between US Infantry & the Vietcong.

Monday, October 22 at 7 p.m. American Experience: Return with Honor. Another episode from the PBS series examines the fate of pilots who were shot down and held as prisoners in North Vietnam. More than 20 veterans describe their captivity and their struggle to survive mentally and physically, and return with honor.

Monday, October 29 at 7 p.m. National Geographic Vietnam's Unseen War: Pictures from the Other Side. This documentary uses still photos taken by Vietnamese during the war. It also contains interviews of Vietnamese who remember the war and tells the story of the Vietnam conflict from their point of view.

Monday, November 5 at 6:30 p.m.: Fog of War. The Best Documentary Oscar-winner interviews Robert McNamara, Secretary of Defense in the Kennedy and Johnson administrations. Providing vast amounts of archival material, this documentary probes the reasons behind the U.S. commitment to the Vietnam War. Please note that due to the length of the documentary shown, this program will start a half hour early.

Registration begins October 1. Call 226-5040 or visit the Events page at www.cmpl.org to register.

#### Travel on a Budget

With today's economic climate it is harder to take vacations due to budget constraints. Do you want to know how to visit fun and interesting locations and have a



fabulous vacation without breaking the bank? On Thursday September 13 at 7 p.m. Robert Holley will be here to present a program on how to travel on a set budget. Holley is a member of the Michigan

chapter of Hostelling International and an avid traveler. Registration begins August 30. Call 226-5050 or visit the Events page at www.cmpl.org to register.

# A Century of Pewabic Pottery in Michigan

Marcy Heller Fisher will be at the Main Library on Wednesday, September 19 at 7 p.m. to discuss the

history of Pewabic Pottery in Michigan. She will present a variety of photographs documenting the historic and contemporary Pewabic tile installations that grace some of the most important buildings in greater Detroit. Images from the presenter's book, Fired Magic: Detroit's Pewabic Pottery Treasures, will be shown and the history of Pewabic Pottery and the beginnings of the Arts and Crafts Movement will be discussed. Fisher will also discuss what impact the Great Depression, Pewabic Tile drinking fountain the New Deal, WWII and later population booms had



The Main Library has a on the second floor.

on Pewabic art. Copies of Fired Magic: Detroit's Pewabic Pottery Treasures will be available to purchase following the program. Registration is required and begins **September 5.** Call 226-5050 or visit the Events page at www.cmpl.org to register.

# **Once Upon a Crime**

With Halloween around the corner it is the perfect time to scare up a good read! Come to the Main Library at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, October 16 to hear more about the mystery, suspense, thrillers and detective fiction we have to offer at the library. Our librarians have scoured the shelves and will gladly give you the inside scoop



on the authors you must read and the titles you should check out. They can even give you advice about which authors to check out. If you have used our 10 in Ten service this is the

program for you! Light refreshments will be served. **Registration is required and begins October 2.** Call 226-5050 or visit the Events page at www.cmpl.org to register.

# Early Car Dealerships of Macomb County

Most people have heard about the automobile manufacturers and the early developers of this new horseless carriage, but how much do we know about the people who sold and serviced the automobile?

On Tuesday, November 6 at 7 p.m. a new video documentary by Clinton Township media specialist Joe Peru-

zzi and local historians Cindy Sue Donahue and Don Green will be viewed and discussed at the **Main Library**. This documentary has received wide critical acclaim for the overview of the first car dealerships of Macomb

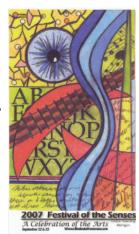


County. There are many interesting anecdotal stories and some surprises. The documentary includes lots of old film footage of early cars and dealerships that will delight car enthusiasts. Car lovers of all ages will enjoy this program. **Registration begins October 23.** Call 226-5040 or visit the Events page at www.cmpl.org to register.

#### **Festival of the Senses**

Clinton Township will host its first "Festival of the Senses-A Celebration of the Arts" on **Saturday** and **Sunday, September 22-23** on the grounds of the Civic Center at 40700 Romeo Plank Road.

The festival will highlight close to 150 multi-media artists and crafts-persons displaying and selling their original works of art. Some of the art forms include basketry, candles, ceramics, clothing, glass, items for pets, jewelry, photography, prints/drawings/paintings, sculpture, stitchery, textile, wood, metal, children's crafts and more. In addition, there will be musicians, thespians and culinary artists participating to



make the event a true feast for all the senses.

Various forms of entertainment such as acting and singing will be orchestrated by the Clintondale Community Theatre with the help of Todd Swanboro. Artist demonstrations as well as activities for children, provided by the Historic Society and Parks and Recreation, will take place throughout the two-day event.

A percentage of all profits made at the two-day festival will go to the Ted Wahby Cancer Center Children's Wing of Mount Clemens General Hospital and Medical Center. Organizers plan to make the Clinton Township Festival of the Senses an annual event that will attract both township residents and out-of-towners alike. Visit the grounds of the Clinton Township Civic Center and be a part of the first Festival of the Senses!

# "Silver Anniversary" Library Tours

Join Library Director Larry Neal in celebrating 25 years of working in public libraries with a special tour of the

Main Library. Highlights include a brief history of the library, an overview of services, public artworks, a behind the scenes tour of the conveyor belt check-in system and a few anecdotes about how libraries have changed over the past



25 years. Tours will be held on Monday, September 17 from 2-3:30 p.m. and Tuesday, September 18 from 10-11:30 a.m. Registration is not required.



# September

September 1 - September 3 CLOSED for Labor Day All CMPL locations

Saturday, September 8 at 10:30 a.m.

Second Saturday Story Time North Branch

Saturday, September 8 at 12 p.m.

True North Book Discussion
South Branch

Saturday, September 8 at 3 p.m.

Teen Scrapbooking
Main Library

Wednesday, September 12 at 6:30 p.m.

CMPL presents *Dreamgirls*Main Library

Thursday, September 13 at 7 p.m.

The World is Flat Book Discussion Main Library

Thursday, September 13 at 7 p.m.

Travel on a Budget Main Library

Friday, September 14 at 3 p.m.

Teen DDR and Guitar Hero Main Library

Saturday, September 15 at 10:30 a.m.

Drummunity Main Library

Sunday, September 16 at 2 p.m.

Music at Main: Tumbao Bravo Main Library

Monday, September 17 at 2 p.m.

Library Tour Main Library

Tuesday, September 18 at 10 a.m.

Library Tour Main Library

Tuesday, September 18 at 10 a.m.

Beyond Suspicion Book Discussion North Branch Tuesday, September 18 at 6:30 p.m.

Every Child Ready To Read Main Library

Wednesday, September 19 at 4 p.m.

TAC Meeting Main Library

Wednesday, September 19 at 6:30 p.m.

Every Child Ready To Read Main Library

Wednesday, September 19 at 7 p.m.

Pewabic Pottery in Michigan Main Library

Thursday, September 20 at 1 p.m.

CMPL presents *Dreamgirls*Main Library

Wednesday, September 20 at 6:30 p.m.

Every Child Ready To Read Main Library

Saturday, September 22 at 11 a.m.

Grab Bag Crafts North Branch

Thursday, September 27 at 6:30 p.m.

Teen Tie-Dye Craft Main Library

#### October

Wednesday, October 3 at 5:30 p.m.

Used Book Sale - Friends Night Main Library

Thursday, October 4 at 12 p.m.

Used Book Sale Main Library

Friday, October 5 at 9:30 a.m.

Used Book Sale Main Library

Saturday, October 6 at 9:30 a.m.

Used Book Sale
Main Library

Saturday, October 6 at 12 p.m.

Annie Freeman's Fabulous Traveling Funeral
Book Discussion
South Branch

Saturday, October 6 at 3 p.m.

Teen Scrapbooking Main Library Sunday, October 7 at 1:15 p.m.

Used Book Sale - Bag Day Main Library

Tuesday, October 9 at 7 p.m.

From Ghoulies to Ghosties Main Library

Wednesday, October 10 at 6:30 p.m.

CMPL presents *The Pursuit of Happyness*Main Library

Thursday, October 11 at 7 p.m.

Children of God Book Discussion Main Library

Friday, October 12 at 3 p.m.

Teen DDR and Guitar Hero Main Library

Saturday, October 13 at 10:30 a.m.

Second Saturday Story Time North Branch

Monday, October 15 at 7 p.m.

Vietnam War Film and Discussion Main Library

Tuesday, October 16 at 10 a.m.

A Place of Execution Book Discussion North Branch

Tuesday, October 16 at 7 p.m.

Once Upon a Crime Main Library

Thursday, October 18 at 5 p.m.

Fall Costume Ball Main Library

Thursday, October 18 at 1 p.m.

CMPL presents *The Pursuit of Happyness*Main Library

Saturday, October 20 at 10:30 a.m.

Bats! Main Library

Saturday, October 20 at 10:30 a.m.

It's the Great Pumpkin Charlie Brown
North Branch

Monday, October 22 at 7 p.m.

Vietnam War Film and Discussion Main Library Thursday, October 25 at 10:30 a.m.
Halloween Party
North Branch

Friday, October 26 at 3 p.m.
Teen DDR and Guitar Hero
Main Library

Saturday, October 27 at 2 p.m. Halloween Costume Party South Branch

Saturday, October 27 at 2 p.m. Halloween Crafts Main Library

Monday, October 29 at 7 p.m. Vietnam War Film and Discussion Main Library

#### November

Thursday, November 1 at 10:30 a.m.
Toddler Crafts
North Branch

Saturday, November 3 at 12 p.m. Water for Elephants Book Discussion South Branch

Saturday, November 3 at 3 p.m.
Teen Scrapbooking
Main Library

Monday, November 5 at 6:30 p.m. Vietnam War Film and Discussion Main Library

Tuesday, November 6 at 7 p.m. Early Car Dealerships of Macomb Main Library

Friday, November 9 at 3 p.m.
Teen DDR and Guitar Hero
Main Library

Saturday, November 10 at 10:30 a.m. Second Saturday Story Time North Branch

Sunday, November 11 at 2 p.m. Music at Main: Tracy Kash Thomas Main Library

> Monday, November 12 CLOSED for Veterans Day All CMPL locations

Wednesday, November 14 at 6:30 p.m.

CMPL presents Man of the Year

Main Library

Wednesday, November 14 at 4 p.m.
TAC Meeting
Main Library

Thursday, November 15 Carnival of the Books Main Library

Thursday, November 15 at 1 p.m. CMPL presents *Man of the Year* Main Library

Thursday, November 15 at 7 p.m.

The Lake of Dead Languages

Book Discussion

Main Library

Saturday, November 17 at 10:30 a.m.

A Charlie Brown Thanksgiving

North Branch

Tuesday, November 20 at 10 a.m.

Killing Floor Book Discussion

North Branch

Wednesday, November 21 CLOSED at 6 p.m. All CMPL locations

Thursday, November 22 CLOSED for Thanksgiving All CMPL locations

Thursday, November 29 at 6:30 p.m.
Teen Game Night
Main Library

# December

Saturday, December 1 at 12 p.m. An Unfinished Life Book Discussion South Branch

Saturday, December 1 at 3 p.m.
Teen Scrapbooking
Main Library

Wednesday, December 5 at 3 p.m.
Tree Trimming Open House
North Branch

Friday, December 7 at 3 p.m.
Teen DDR and Guitar Hero
Main Library

Saturday, December 8 at 10:30 a.m.
Second Saturday Story Time with
Auntie Claus
North Branch

Sunday, December 9 at 2 p.m.

Music at Main: Adventure Club Cello

Quartet

Main Library

Wednesday, December 12 at 6:30 p.m. Stories with Santa South Branch

Wednesday, December 12 at 6:30 p.m.
CMPL presents Music and Lyrics
Main Library

Thursday, December 13 at 3:30 p.m. Holiday Crafts Main Library

Thursday, December 13 at 7 p.m.

Before You Know Kindness

Book Discussion

Main Library

Tuesday, December 18 at 10 a.m.

Blindfold Game Book Discussion

North Branch

Thursday, December 20 at 10:30 a.m.
Toddler Crafts
North Branch

Thursday, December 20 at 1 p.m.

CMPL presents Music and Lyrics

Main Library

Friday, December 21 at 3 p.m.
Teen DDR and Guitar Hero
Main Library

December 23-December 25
CLOSED for Christmas
All CMPL locations

Thursday, December 27 at 2 p.m.
CMPL presents *Happy Feet*North Branch

December 31 - January 1 CLOSED for New Year's All CMPL locations



The Music at Main Sunday concert series, sponsored by the Friends of the Library, continues! These free one-hour concerts are open to the public and no registration is required. Please take a look at the concerts we're hosting and spend your Sunday afternoon at the **Main Library**. These concerts are suitable for all ages.

#### Sunday, September 16 at 2 p.m.

**Tumbao Bravo** will be at the Main Library to share their Cuban beats. Tumbao Bravo is Cuban jazz combo consisting of Congas, Timbales, Sax/Flute/Piccolo, Piano, Bass Guitar, and Bongos. Mambos, Cha Chas, Rumbas and Boleros are just some of the authentic rhythms explored by this exciting group.

#### Sunday, November 11 at 2 p.m.

**Tracy Kash Thomas** will at the Main Library with her band performing music of a jazz/soul/pop variety. Kash Thomas has been nominated for Outstanding Jazz Vocalist in 2004, 2006 and 2007 at the Detroit Music Awards.

#### Sunday, December 9 at 2 p.m.

The Adventure Club Cello Quartet will be at the Main Library to play a mix of classical and non-classical selections in addition to holiday music. You can expect a tango, a familiar movie theme, a waltz and more from this entertaining group.

Tumbao Bravo Sunday, September 16 at 2 p.m.



Tracy Kash Thomas Sunday, November 11 at 2 p.m.



The Adventure Club Cello Quartet Sunday, December 9 at 2 p.m.



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