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September-December 2009

#### Summer Reading Thank You!

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Thanks to a generous \$13,000 grant from the Friends of the Library as well as support from local businesses and community organizations, we are happy to report that the summer reading program was a success. Thank you to:

**Auntie Anne's Pretzels** Bounce U California Pizza Kitchen **Clinton Township Optimists Community Central Bank Dave and Busters** Friends of the Clinton-Macomb Public Library **Great Skate McDonald's Mongolian Barbecue Olga's Kitchen** 

#### Macomb County Clerk Mobile **Office Hours**

Macomb County Clerk/Register of Deeds Carmella Sabaugh will visit the Main Library on Thursday, September 10 from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. Services include: Birth certificates, death certificates, business registrations, marriage licenses, elections, CCW Applications and real estate/deeds.

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#### **CMPL has Kindle Readers!**

Have you heard about the Kindle from Amazon? It is the latest in book technology and now, thanks to a generous donation from the Friends of the Library, CMPL has five Kindles available for check out. The Kindle is as thin as a pencil and can hold up to 1,500 books! Of course our Kindles

won't have 1,500 titles, but they are loaded with popular, bestselling titles ready to read. Check it out just like a book.

The Kindle provides a crisp black-and-white 6" screen with the same appearance and readability of printed paper. The words appear sharp and natural with no glare or backlight. The screen works using ink, just like books and newspapers, but displays the ink particles electronically. Unlike a laptop, the Kindle never gets warm so you can comfortably read as long as you like. If you are interested in



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trying the Kindle, visit a reference desk and ask how you can check one out.

#### **Online Resources Uncovered: Homework? Help!**

Situation: It's the start of a new school year. Your 8<sup>th</sup> grader is grappling with algebra for the first time. He did not completely understand the class lesson, your math skills are rusty, everyone at home is tired, and the frustration level is rapidly rising as you and he struggle with homework.

Solution: Help is available right on the CMPL web site. Log onto Live Homework Help supported by Tutor.com for help with all kinds of homework including math, science and English. A real live tutor, certified in a specific subject area will assist the student, either via instant message, or writing or drawing on a

virtual white board. The tutors help the student work through the problem and understand the process. And this service isn't just for kids! Assistance is available for adults in a variety of subjects, from GED preparation, to resume creation, to essay-writing, and more.

How to use it: To access this valuable resource simply go to www.cmpl.org. Click on the Research and Homework tab, look on the lower right side of the page for the splash of orange and the words "Live Homework Help from Tu-

tor.com". In response to patron requests, this service is now available between the hours of 4 p.m. and 11 p.m. Because these are live tutors, you may have to wait a few moments to be connected, but the wait will be worth it!

Many databases are available to Clinton and Macomb Township residents only. When using this service from home, remember to have your CMPL library card handy and type in your barcode when prompted.

From the Director,,,

I would like to thank the 2,000 residents of Clinton and Macomb Townships who took time out of their busy schedules to complete

an online survey about the library and its services. Not only does this serve as a "report card" for the library board and me to review, it also helps us understand the needs and interests of our community so that we may provide better service in the future. Below are some results from the survey along with a few comments from our residents:

Taxpayers who use the library are incredibly satisfied. An amazing 99.1% of the survey respondents indicated they were satisfied with the library. In fact CMPL stacks up very favorably to a recently cited sample of 21 libraries across the United States. In it, people who were extremely likely to recommend the services of their library to others ranged from 38% to 73%; CMPL's rating was 83%.

People are turning to their local library during tough times. Nearly all of the respondents indicated they are saving money using the library for books, CDs, and DVDs instead of buying them. Half are saving money using the library rather than renting DVDs and videogames. One in five is saving money by attending free concerts and programs. Ten percent of respondents are using the library's computers because they have discontinued their home Internet connection. Ten percent are coming to the library to search for a job.

The library is responding to your requests for new services! Nearly half of the residents surveyed indicated an interest in downloadable audiobooks; over a quarter requested wireless Internet access at the North and South Branch libraries; and one in five expressed an interest in Kindle e-book readers for checkout. As you can tell from the article on the cover of this newsletter, we have already started implementing some of these new services. Only one-third of our residents knew that the library is funded by local property taxes. CMPL is a district library funded by the residents of Macomb Township and those in Clinton Township who do not reside in the Mount Clemens School District. In fact 90% of the library's revenues come from local property taxes. We only receive a small amount of funding from the state and no funding from Macomb County. Through partnerships with other libraries in Macomb County and across the state we are able to bring greater library access to our residents.

#### And while the numbers were great, hearing from taxpayers in their own words was even more satisfying:

"At South Branch, I actually feel like a valued member with our librarians who seem to care about my family. I am greeted by name and am often asked, "How are you?" The people really care about our plight with unemployment, our situation where neither parent is working now and we are trying to raise 3 kids. In this time of our lives...we know we can walk into South and feel like we have family around us who care simply by saying "Hello." I have said this before and it bears repeating... I will not move away, I HAVE TOLD MY HUSBAND a thousand and one times, because I will not leave my library. Thank you for making the community a great place to live."

"While I was unemployed, most forms of entertainment were out of the question due to tight funds. I read mountains of books and went to several of the free museum opportunities. The library truly helped me and my family get through a very difficult time. I often refer to my library card as my most valuable possession."

"A well-developed public library is a jewel to a community...My children have learned to love books, become confident readers and researchers and have explored everything the library has to offer. In these uncertain times, one would be foolish not to take advantage of the networking resources, programming and information available for FREE!!"

# 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

#### South Branch

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

#### **Hours of Service**

Monday-Thursday9 a.m. - 9 p.m.Friday-Saturday9 a.m. - 6 p.m.Sunday\*1 p.m. - 6 p.m.(\*September- May, Main Library only)

#### **Board of Trustees**

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The Clinton-Macomb Public Library connects people of all ages to resources that inform, educate, entertain and inspire.

#### **Clinton Township Blood Drive**

Give the gift of life at the Clinton Township Blood Drive on **Friday, September 11** from **10 a.m. - 2 p.m.** at the Clinton Township Senior Center. For more information call (586) 286-9366.

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



#### Holds and Overdue Notices Update

Beginning Wednesday, October 1 CMPL will no longer



issue paper notices for overdue and held items. If you are still receiving paper notices in the mail, please update your preference to e-mail or telephone notification by October 1.

Additionally, this is a great time for everyone to doublecheck account information to make sure that we have accurate telephone numbers and e-mail addresses on file. You can even have your notices sent to your mobile phone! To review your information visit "My Account" at www.cmpl.org. To change your notification preference you can call us at 226-5020 or visit any CMPL circulation desk.

#### **Recycle at CMPL**

Don't forget that CMPL can help you recycle! We accept used cell phones and ink cartridges for recycling at all CMPL locations. We can accept the following inkjet brands: Apple, Canon, Compaq, Dell, HP, Lexmark,

nately we cannot accept Epson or pre-Samsung, Sharp and Xerox. Unfortuviously remanufactured ink cartridges.



We also offer the Abitibi Paper Retriever Program, which allows you to

recycle paper at the library. The Paper Retriever bin is located at the north end of the Main Library's parking lot. You can bring your own newspapers, magazines, catalogs and old papers to the library and drop them off in the bin at any time.

#### **Library Closings**

All CMPL locations will be closed on the following dates:

September 5 through September 7, November 26, December 24, December 25, December 31, January 1

Additionally, all locations will have special open hours on the following dates:

> Friday, November 13: 2-6 p.m. Wednesday, November 25: 9 a.m.-6 p.m.

#### Introductory Computer Classes at Main Library

Starting in September, thanks to a grant from Nordstrom for four laptop computers, the Main Library will be offering small-group computer classes. A maximum of three students will work with a volunteer tutor to learn the basics of computers. The classes will run 90

minutes and are designed to help those with little or no computer knowledge.

Three different classes will be offered: Computer Basics, designed to introduce the student



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to the components and basic functions of a computer; Internet Basics, which will explain the different ways of finding information on the World Wide Web; and Introduction to E-mail, which will explain how to set up a free Internet-based e-mail account, as well as how to use the features of that service.

Reservations will be required for all classes and priority will be given to Clinton and Macomb Township residents. Please call 226-5040 to reserve your spot. The schedule of classes will also be posted on the What's Happening page of the web site.

#### What Do You Think?

Have you visited the We Recommend page at www.cmpl.org? In addition to getting great recommendations from all of our departments including children and young adult, you can also take part in our online polls. Check out what the community is thinking about now:

What matters most in a novel?

Engrossing plot	65%
Well-rounded characters	23%
The tone of the author	11%
When it takes place in time	2%

#### What movie, based on a novel, are you looking most forward to this summer?

Harry Potter and the Half Blood Prince 31% 8% Julie and Julia My Sister's Keeper 28% New %

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Moon	26%
Time-Traveler's Wife	8%

#### **CMPL Book Groups**

CMPL offers three different book discussion groups to appeal to all types of book lovers. Remember, no registration is required to attend any book discussion. Simply read the book and show up ready to discuss it.

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

**September 10:** *The Jane Austen Book*. Club by Karen Joy Fowler October 8: The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society by Mary Ann Shaffer November 12: Tallgrass by Sandra Dallas December 10: The Shack by William P. Young

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

**September 12:** *Pride and Prejudice* by Jane Austen October 10: The Shack by William P. Young November 14: The Wednesday Sisters by Meg Waite Clayton December 12: The Guernsey Literary and Potato Pie Peel Society by Mary Ann Shaffer

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

September 15: Relic by Douglas Preston October 20: Kill Artist by Daniel Silva November 17: Night Gardener by George Pelecanos December 15: Until Proven Guilty by J. A. Jance

#### One Book, One Community

The One Book, One Community program runs from now through October 14. Discuss the works of Jane Austen at one of our book discussions or learn how to be an excellent hostess by attending our English tea program in September.

The One Book, One Community program will culminate with a presentation by Dr. Elliot Engel on October 14 at **1 p.m.** He will visit the Macomb Intermediate School

District to present "The Brilliance of Jane Austen." The program will also include a tea. Register online at http://www.libcoop.net/onebook or call us at 226-5050 to reserve your spot at this great event. Read an Austen novel, attend a program, whatever you choose, participate in One Book, One Community by enjoying the works of Jane Austen this fall.

#### Gifts, Books and More at THE STORE!

Need outgoing fax transmission service or CD, DVD and videogame repair for a small fee? Look no farther than your Library Gift Store at Main library. Fund-raising efforts by the Friends made it possible for the library to purchase a state-of-the-art disc repair unit. Library volunteers have used this

machine to repair thousands of discs, returning them to circulation for the library community, as well as offering repair services to the public.

The Friends of CMPL provide a wide selection of used books for sale in the Library Gift Store. You'll find mysteries, romances, biographies, classics, DVDs, children's choices, audio books, cookbooks, self-help and more. Like all of the merchandise in the gift store, these gently-used books are a great value that would make handsome presents to yourself or others! The second Friday of each month is



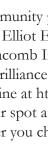
Friendly Friday and you'll enjoy extra savings on selected Friends' items.

You can depend on fair prices every day plus special discount coupons available in Library Matters and at the library's website. Just visit www.cmpl.org then select Get Involved and Library Gift Store. The Library Gift Store is open on Monday and Tuesday from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. and Wednesday through Saturday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Come to the library gift store soon, discover the special collections behind its door and enjoy!

The Library Gift Store at CMPL Another Excellent Selection In Your Library Collection!

> Clip this coupon for a 15% discount at your CMPL Gift Store through 12/31/09

(Friends merchandise & specially priced items excluded. Coupon may not be combined with other offers)





#### **Brick Pavers**

Get your personalized CMPL brick paver now and receive a discounted rate! From now through September 30 brick pavers can be purchased for \$70 each. Beginning October 1 the cost of pavers will go up to \$100.

Become a lasting part of the Main Library by personalizing a brick paver for youself or a loved one. Bricks will be laid into the patio of the Main Library next summer. Pick



up your order form at any CMPL location or at http://www.cmpl.org/GetInvolved/default.asp.

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

The 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Festival of the Senses will take place at the Clinton Township Civic Center on **September 26** and **September 27** from **10 a.m.-5 p.m.** The festival will once again highlight artists and craftspersons



displaying and selling their original works of art. In addition, there will be musicians, thespians and culinary artists participating to make the event a true feast for all the senses. Featured performers include the Clintondale Community Theatre, Macomb

Ballet Company and Warren Concert Band. Restaurants include Cheli's Chili, J. Baldwin's, Randazzo's and Vince and Joe's. Admission and shuttle service is free. For more information on the festival visit online at www.ctfestivalofthesenses.com.

#### Fall Garden Clean Up

Volunteer gardeners are needed to help with our annual fall cleanup of the grounds at the Main Library and South Branch. This is a great way for Master Garden-



ers and students to earn volunteer credit hours. Please plan to bring gloves, small garden tools, and a bottle of water. We will supply large paper bags to dispose of refuse. Please call Carole at 226-5003 for further

information. Fall garden clean-up dates are as follows:

Saturday, October 17 from 9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Main Library

Saturday, October 24 from 9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. South Branch



CMPL is pleased to offer a film series for adults. We will provide water and popcorn at both movie showings. You may bring a beverage in a covered container if you wish. Movies are shown in the auditorium of the **Main Library**. Please note that it can get chilly in the room and you may wish to bring a light sweater.

Wednesday, September 9 at 6:30 p.m. and Thursday, September 17 at 1 p.m.: *Gran Torino*. Walt Kowalski is a grumpy, tough-minded old man whose prize possession is a 1972 Gran Torino he keeps in cherry condition. When a neighboring teenager tries to steal it, Kowalski sets out to reform the youth. Drawn against his will into the life of the would-be robber's family, Kowalski is soon taking steps to protect them from the gangs that rule their neighborhood. *Rated R, 116 minutes*.

Wednesday, October 14 at 6:30 p.m. and Thursday, October 15 at 1 p.m.: *Duplicity*. CIA Officer Claire and MI6 agent Ray are two spies-turned-corporate operatives having a clandestine love affair. They have turned their skills to a high stakes espionage game where they are attempting to secure a product that corporations would do anything to patent. The pair try to stay one double cross ahead of the other, but find that the hardest thing to cheat is their love for one another. *Rated PG*, *125 minutes*.

Wednesday, November 11 at 6:30 p.m. and Thursday, November 19 at 1 p.m.: *The Soloist*. This biographical drama tells the true life story of musical prodigy Nathaniel Ayers. He dropped out of Julliard after developing schizophrenia and became a homeless musician on the streets of Los Angeles. A reporter looking for an article finds Ayers one day and develops a close relationship with the troubled but gifted artist. *Rated PG-13, 109 minutes*.

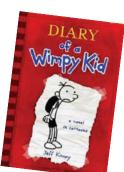
Wednesday, December 9 at 6:30 p.m. and Thursday, December 17 at 1 p.m.: Four Christmases. Brad and Kate had always managed to avoid spending Christmas with their family by escaping to enjoy heavenly vacations. But this year, they failed. This time, there's no way out and no excuses. Brad's father is waiting for them at his house. So is Kate's mother. And Brad's mother and Kate's father. Four family Christmases, the same day! Brad and Kate expect the worst...and they won't be disappointed. Rated PG-13, 88 minutes.



#### **Diary of a Wimpy Kid Party**

Are you a wimpy kid between the ages of 7 and 12?! Come celebrate

the upcoming release of the 4th Wimpy Kid book due to be released on October 12 at the North Branch. Draw vourself as a Wimpy Kid



character, create your own journal, and other activities on Saturday, September 19 at 10 a.m., 11:30 a.m. or 2 p.m. Registration begins September 4.

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#### Wild Thing Crafts

Calling all wild things! Join the North Branch as we commemorate



children's book and new movie, Where the Wild Things Are on

Saturday, October 10 at 10:30 a.m. Various monster crafts

and activities are planned for children ages 3-7. Registration begins September 26.

#### **Dog Tales**

Join the South Branch on Friday, October ( 16 at 10:30 a.m. for a few short movies starring man's best friend followed by a craft. Registration begins on October 2.



#### World of Bats

The branches are going batty... On Saturday, October 24,



the Organization for Bat Conservation will present the Bats of the World. Children and adults will have a chance to learn about bats and see them up close. This program is best suited for children ages 4 and older. Registration is required and begins October 10.

Saturday, October 24 at 10:30 a.m. South Branch

Saturday, October 24 at 1:30 p.m. North Branch 

#### Halloween Crafts

Children ages 3 to 6 are invited to the Main Library on Saturday, October 10 at 10 a.m. to create fun Halloween crafts. Come make your own clothes pin bat, cute black cat

and more! Registration begins September 26.

#### **Halloween Partv**

Put on your costume and come to the South Branch on

#### Wednesday, October 28 at 6:30

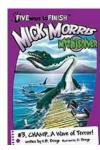
**p.m.** We will have crafts, activities and candy for your little ghosts and monsters. All ages welcome. Registration begins October 14.

#### **Halloween Party**

Children ages 3-6 come to the North Branch to show off your costume and enjoy some Halloween crafts and activities on Thursday, October 29 at 10 a.m.! Registration begins October 15.

#### **Mick Morris, Myth Solver**

From aliens from outer space to Big Foot, Mick Morris and his friends face unexpected dangers as they try to solve these and other myths. Author Karen Bell-Brege will share her



thoughts on what it takes to create a character such as Mick and his friends. The other half of this team, illustrator Darrin Brege, will create on-the-spot

drawings based on audience suggestions. This high-energy program will be Brege also illustrates the popular Michigan Chillers series of books. at the South Branch on Saturday, November 7 at 2 p.m. and is best suited for children ages 7 and older. Registration is required and begins October 24. 

**Parachute Games** Bring your little one to play some fun games with the parachute at the South Branch on Tuesday, Novem-



ber 3 at 10 a.m. or 10:30 a.m. **Registration begins October 20.** This program is for children ages 2 and up.

# **Bedtime stories**

Children ages 0-5 are invited to put on their PJs and come to the Main Library for bedtime stories at 6:30 p.m. on the following **Thursdays**: September 17, October 15, November 19 and December 17. No registration is required.



#### **Story Times**

Because of the popularity of our story times, we now register for most of our sessions and have a limited number of spots available. Many of our sessions fill up quickly and we often have a waiting list. We understand



that emergencies come up and you can't make it to every story time. We ask, if possible, to give us a quick call and let us know. If we miss you for the first two weeks we will give your spot to the next person

on the waiting list. We

would like to accommodate as many families as possible and feel that this will help us to do so.

Session I story times will take place the **week of Sep** tember 14 – October 16. Registration begins August 31. Session II story times will take place the **week of** November 9 – December 11. Registration begins October 26. Registration is not required for the South Branch.

#### Main Library

Mondays at 9:30 a.m. (0 - 10 months) Mondays at 10:30 a.m. (11 - 36 months) Mondays at 11:15 a.m. (11 - 24 months) Tuesdays at 10 a.m. (2 - 3 years) Tuesdays at 11 a.m. (11 - 24 months) Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. (2-3 years) Wednesdays at 10 a.m. (2 - 3 years) Wednesdays at 11 a.m. (3 - 5 years)

#### North Branch

Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m. (Music and Movement) Tuesdays at 11:00 a.m. (Music and Movement) Wednesdays 9:15 a.m. (12 - 24 months) Wednesdays at 10:15 a.m. (3 - 6 years) Wednesdays 11:15 a.m. (12 - 24 months) Thursdays at 9:30 a.m. (0 - 11 months) Thursdays 10:30 a.m. (2 - 3 years) Thursdays 11:15 a.m. (2 - 3 years)

#### South Branch

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

#### **Registration Reminder**

Registration is required unless otherwise noted. Due to space limitations we cannot accommodate group registration for events. Please remember that you can always register online at www.cmpl.org.

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

#### **Baby Play Time**

Join us for loosely structured play activities for babies. No registration is required. Baby Play Time will be held on the following Mondays at 10 a.m. at the North Branch: September 14, 21, 28, October 5, 12, November 9, 16, 23, 30 and December 7.

The Main Library will host Baby Play Time Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday from 9:30-11:30 a.m. during story time sessions. The Main



Library will also host Baby Play Time on the last Saturday of every month from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. No registration is required.

#### **PAWS for Reading**

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

September 14 and 28October 12 and 26November 9 and 23December 14 and 28

Dogs will also be at the Main Library at 6:30 p.m. on the following Wednesdays: September 2, October 7, November 4 and December 2.

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

September 1 and 15October 6 and 20November 3 and 17December 1 and 15

PAWS Dogs will visit the **South Branch** on the following **Saturdays** at **2 p.m.**: **September 19, October 3** and **November 14**. A PAWS dog will also visit on **Monday, October 19 at 6:30 p.m.** 

#### Yo-Yo Man

World all have in common? They are will share these tricks and many more at his program at the North Branch on November 14 at 1 p.m. This program and older. Registration begins October 31.

#### **Movie Matinees**

Join us for movie matinees at the library. Light refreshments will be provided. Feel free to bring a blanket and a beverage.



Friday, November 27 at 2 p.m. North Branch presents The Jonas Brothers 3-D Concert (Rated G, 76 minutes). Registration begins November 12.

Monday, December 28 at 2 p.m. South Branch presents Santa Buddies at 2 p.m. (Rated G, 88 minutes). Registration begins

December 14.

#### Dinner & a Movie @ the Main

Looking for something different during the holiday break? Why not dinner and a movie? Bring the whole family, a blanket and a picnic dinner to the Main Library auditorium on Monday, December 28. The doors open at 6:15 p.m. and the movie will start at 6:30 p.m. Popcorn will be provided. Registration begins December 14.

#### Thank You to Home Depot

Thank you to the Home Depot in Roseville for a \$50 donation to our Mother's Day craft in May 2009.

As a result of the donation the South Branch was able to buy annuals and pots for children to make Mother's Day crafts. Thank you Home Depot!



#### Gemini

The acclaimed musical duo Gemini will jump start the Music at Main concerts on Sunday, October 18 at 2 p.m. at the Main Library. Hailing from Ann Arbor, brothers San and Laz have played concerts



throughout the United States and Canada. Their selection of songs from around the world and about everyday life will have kids and parents singing along. Join us for a fun filled, family friendly time. No registration required.

# Lego Club

Bring your own Legos to the library for Lego fun. We supply the theme and you build it! Small prizes will

be given to the designs that best interpret the theme. No kits or Technic Legos allowed. This program is for ages 6-12. Registration is required and begins two weeks prior to each program.



Saturday, September 12 at 10 a.m. Main Library

Saturday, October 17 at 2 p.m. South Branch

Saturday, November 21 at 10 a.m. Main Library

Tuesday, December 29 at 2 p.m. North Branch

#### "Wild" Pajama Party

Join the South Branch on Wednesday, December 16 at 6:30 p.m. when we'll be showing the short movie

Where The Wild Things Are (1973) and doing a craft. Kids are invited to wear their pajamas and bring their favorite stuffed animal. Registration is required (only for children, not for teddy bears!)



and begins on Wednesday December 2.

#### **Kiddlitt at Main**

The kiddlitt program returns again this fall. Please come and have some snacks, and discuss one or all of the following books. Because there are a limited number of books, participants must come into the Main Library, Youth Services desk to register.

Thursday, September 17 from 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Alvin Ho: Allergic to girls, school, and other scary things by Lenore Look. Registration and book pick up begins August 20.

Thursday, October 15 from 6:30-7:30 p.m. Nim's Island by Wendy Orr. Registration and book pick up begins September 17.

Thursday, November 19 from 6:30-7:30 p.m.

The Borrowers by Mary Norton. Registration and book pick up begins October 15.

#### Thursday, December 17 from 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Fantastic Mr. Fox by Roald Dahl. Registration and book pick up begins November 19.

#### **Xtreme Readers**

The South Branch sponsors a book discussion group for children ages 7-12. Children who participate get to keep a copy of the book. Registration is required for each month and begins on the date of the previous book group. Xtreme Readers will meet at the South Branch on Saturdays at 2 p.m. on the following dates:

September 26 - Bunnicula by James Howe

**October 24** - Owen & Mzee: The True Story of a Remarkable Friendship by Isabella Hatkoff

November 21 – Alvin Ho : Allergic to girls, school and other scary things by Lenore Look

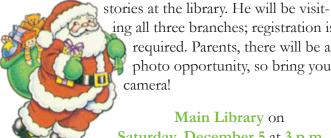
# **Online Book Club**

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

Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing by Judy Blume Fantastic Mr. Fox by Roald Dahl Rules by Cynthia Lord Maniac Magee by Jerry Spinelli

# Santa's coming...

Santa is taking time out from his busy schedule to share



ing all three branches; registration is required. Parents, there will be a photo opportunity, so bring your camera!

Main Library on Saturday, December 5 at 3 p.m. Registration begins November 21.

South Branch on Wednesday, December 9 at 6:30 p.m. Registration begins November 25.

North Branch on Saturday, December 19 at 10:30 a.m. **Registration begins December 5.** 

## **Drop-In Holiday Crafts**

Come to the Main Library on Saturday, December 12 to make a variety of holiday crafts. These crafts will range from simple to complex for ages 4-12. Please come to the activity room to participate from 9:30 a.m.-12 p.m. The program will be available while supplies last. No registration is required.

#### Gingerbread House Craft

Get ready for the holidays by making your own small gingerbread house. Join the South Branch on Saturday, December 5 at 1 p.m. or 3 p.m. Ages 3 and up. Registration begins November 21.



#### **Toddler Crafts**

Toddlers are invited to make crafts at the North Branch on Tuesday, December 15 at 10 a.m. or

11 a.m. Children ages 2-4 can join us in making an assortment of holiday crafts geared towards toddlers. **Registration begins December 1.** 

# Thank you for the lovely...

You received lots of cool presents for the holidays, now you have to write the "thank

you" notes. Join us at the Main Library on Tuesday, December 29 at 10:30 a.m. to cre-

ate your own note cards that uniquely say "thank you". This program is for children ages 6-10. Registration begins December 15.

# Young Adult The Edge

# 2009 – 2010 Teen Advisory Council

The Teen Advisory Council provides teen program ideas and feedback to the library. TAC membership is open to teens, 6th through 12<sup>th</sup> grade in Clinton Township and Macomb Township. Please fill out a TAC membership application available at the Children's Services reference desk at the Main Library or at the North or South Branch. TAC officers are determined at the first meeting in September and meetings are once a month, September through May at the **Main Library** in Conference Room B at **4 p.m.** 

> Wednesday, September 16 Wednesday, October 21 Wednesday, November 18 Wednesday, December 16

# Teen Read Week "Read Beyond Reality" October 11 -17, 2009

Teens will be reading for the fun of it as CMPL celebrates the 12<sup>th</sup> annual Teen Read Week<sup>(TM)</sup>, October

11 -17, 2009. They join thousands of other libraries, schools and bookstores across the country who are encouraging teens to celebrate this year's theme,



"Read Beyond Reality@ your Library®." Teen Read Week(TM) is the national adolescent literacy initiative of the Young Adult Library Services Association (YALSA), the fastest-growing division of the American Library Association.

# **National Gaming Day**

The Teen Advisory Council will host gaming for teens, grades 6-12 only for National Gaming Day. We have an X-BOX 360, DDR for PS2 and a Wii available, as well as a collection of board games. Open gaming

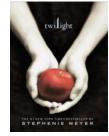
will be held at the **Main Library** in the auditorium from 2–4 p.m. Saturday, November 14. No registration is required for this event.

# Teen Program Reminder

All programs are for students entering 6<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grades in the fall ONLY. Registration is required for all programs unless otherwise noted. To register call 226-5030 or visit www.cmpl.org.

# **Twilight Movie Night**

The TAC will host a movie night featuring Twilight (122 minutes & rated PG-13) on Friday, October 30 in the Main Library auditorium at 5 p.m. Celebrate



Halloween and get ready for the second movie, *New Moon*. Costumes are welcome but not required. Drinks, popcorn and snacks will be provided. This program is for teens only, grades 6-12. **Registration begins Friday, October 16.** 

#### **Gaming Open Houses**

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

#### September 18 October 23 November 20 December 18

#### **Teen Yoga**

Jennifer Trusty will be teaching basic yoga techniques and poses for teens, grades 6 through 12, on **Saturday, October 10** in the **Main Library** auditorium at **2 p.m.** Please wear comfortable clothing and socks and feel free to bring



a yoga mat, but the mat is not required to participate. **Registration begins Saturday, September 26.** 

#### **Teen Cooking Club – Holiday Treats**

Teen Cooking Club is back to share sweet and savory holiday treats and ideas for homemade edible gifts to share during the holidays. Teen Cooking Club will be held on **Saturday, December 12** in the Children's Activity Room at the **Main Library** at **2:30** p.m. Registration is limited to teens, grades 6 through 12 and begins Saturday, November 28.



#### Fall Used Book Sale

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

> Wednesday, September 30 5:30-8:30 p.m. Friends Night Only

> > Thursday, October 1 12 p.m.-8 p.m.

Friday, October 2 and Saturday, October 3 9:30 a.m.-5 p.m.

> Sunday, October 4 1:15-3:15 p.m. Bag Day

Monday, October 5

9:30 a.m.-2 p.m. Free Day

#### **Incredible Friends' Find and Donations**

Have you donated books to the library recently? If so, you may have lost a family heirloom. Our Friends were busy sorting books when they came across a copy of



a first grade diploma from 1891 for Kittie Gallagher. The item was found among the following donations: *The complete works of Ralph Waldo Emerson*, a book of Michigan history and an old paper booklet about Indians. If this diploma belongs to your family and you would like it back, please contact the library at info@cmpl.org.

Donating used books is a great way to donate to the library, but did you know that you can also donate online? Donations can be made monetarily, or you can even purchase bookpates or brick pavers. You may qualify for a Michigan tax credit when you donate to the library. Visit www.cmpl.org/GetInvolved/Donate.asp to learn more about how you can give to the library.

#### **Volunteer Opportunities**

The Friends of the Library are always in need of vol-



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

Wednesday, September 23 & Thursday, September 24: 4-8 p.m.

Friday, September 25 & Saturday, September 26: 9:30 a.m.-2 p.m.

> Sunday, September 27: 1:15-5 p.m.

#### **Bookmark Contest Winners**

The Friends of the Library would like to congratulate all of the participants and winners in the Design-a-

Bookmark contest. There were many wonderful entries this year and they narrowed it down to the following winners.

#### Kindergarten-grade 3

1<sup>st</sup> place: Kensi Tekely 2<sup>nd</sup> place: Julianna Lozen 3<sup>rd</sup> place: Madison Newton

#### Grades 4-6

1<sup>st</sup> place: Darian Crank 2<sup>nd</sup> place: Emily Liu 3<sup>rd</sup> place: Alyssa Kummerl

#### Grades 7-9

1<sup>st</sup> place: Kenny Chen 2<sup>nd</sup> place: Ramanpreet Kaur 3<sup>rd</sup> place: Kaila Dukicin

#### Grade 10-12

1<sup>st</sup> place: Heather Gonzales 2<sup>nd</sup> place: Thomas Holmes 3<sup>rd</sup> place: Heather Gonzales





#### **Host an English Tea**

In honor of Jane Austen and the One Book, One Community program CMPL welcomes Fran Salvatore from Pamela's Catering to present a program on hosting an English Tea. Salvatore will visit the



Once

on hosting an English Tea. Salvatore will visit the Main Library

on **Tuesday, September 15** at **7 p.m.** Learn how to make delightful desserts and hors d'oeuvres for your next tea party. We will have small samples of the recipes to taste and you will go home with new recipes to share. **Registration is limited and begins September 1.** Call 226-5050 or visit the What's Happening page at www.cmpl.org to register. If you register and cannot attend, please let us know so someone else has a chance to attend.

#### **Once Upon a Crime**

Come to the Main Library at 7 p.m. on Wednesday,

September 16 to hear more about the mystery, suspense, thriller and detective fiction we have to offer at the library. Our librarians have scoured the shelves and will give you the inside scoop on the authors you must read and the titles you should check out. Participants should come with one or more of their favorite mysteries or thrillers to share with the group. **Registration begins September 2.** Call 226-5050 or visit the What's Happening page at www.cmpl.org to register.

# The Great Depression Film and Discussion Series

Visit the Main Library in October when we will examine the Great De-



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pression with the help of Dr. Karen Miller from Oakland University. For three consecutive Monday we will offer a film, followed by a discussion facilitated by Dr. Miller. **Registration begins Monday, October 5.** Call 226-5040 or visit the What's Happening page at www.cmpl.org to register.

**Monday, October 19** at **7 p.m.**: *Riding the Rails.* Tells the story of the 250,000 teenagers who left their homes and hopped freight trains during the Great Depression.

**Monday, October 26** at **7 p.m.**: *Hoover Dam.* An ambitious engineer turned a ragtag army of unemployed into a celebrated work force to create the Hoover Dam. It also became a beacon of hope in dire times, bringing electricity and water to millions in the U.S. west.

**Monday, November 3** at **7 p.m.**: *FDR.* Explore the public and private life of a determined man who steered this country through the Depression. FDR served as president longer than any other, and his legacy still shapes our understanding of the role of government and the presidency.

#### Living with Less

If you can't change your situation, change the way you think about it. That is the motto of the MSU Extension. With many people out of work, the effect on households can be difficult. This workshop will show you how to live on less and consolidate your spending. MSU Extension will bring their program *Living with Less* to the **Main Library** on Tuesday, October 6 at 6:30 **p.m.** By attending, you will learn to: reassess how money will be used, develop and maintain a spending plan and manage disagreements over money. Call the MSU Extension at (586) 469-7614 to register.

## Make Your Own Greeting Card

With the holiday season just around the corner, learn how to make your own holiday or birthday card. Diana Klotosinski will have three different samples of cards. Choose the

design you like best and make your own greeting card. We will supply the materials. You bring the imagination.



Call 226-5050 to register at the Main Library or 226-5073 to register for the South Branch. You can also visit the What's Happening page at www.cmpl.org to register.

Friday, November 20 at 2 p.m. Main Library Registration begins November 6.

Saturday, December 5 at 11 a.m. South Branch Registration begins November 21.

#### **American Jazz Concert**

Join the Friends of the Library for a celebration of another wonderful year on **Tuesday**, **October 13** at

7 p.m. The Friends will welcome American Songbook of Jazz with the Paul VornHagen Trio. The group will play many American jazz standards including music by Duke Ellington, Cole Porter and George Gershwin. This concert is free and all ages are welcome. No registration is required. Bring the family to enjoy this great concert. The Friends will also provide refreshments free of charge.

#### **Director's Tour**

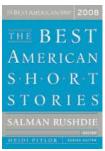
Get the inside scoop on the Main Library at a tour given by Library Director Larry Neal on September, 29 at 2 p.m. or 7 p.m. Registration begins September 15. Call 226-5050



or visit the What's Happening page at www.cmpl.org to register.

#### **Short Stories Collection at Main**

The Main Library is pleased to be breaking out a Short Story Collection for your reading pleasure. We believe that the short story is one of the most exciting and important literary formats that can and should reach the highest possible readership.



Short stories have a clear theme, cover a very short time span, make every word count, have very few characters and are very focused. They are quick to read, but many stick with you for years.

Check out the Short Story Collection near the Popular Materials Reference Desk at the Main Library and discover the joy of the short story.

**Vote for Your Favorite Library Card Design** CMPL is getting new library cards and we need your help deciding on designs! We will post the contenders on our web site, www.cmpl.org, starting September 1. You will have until

September 28 to vote and tell us which card designs you like best. Let your voice be heard and look for our new library card designs in 2010!



# Dow Jones Industrial Average: What It Was; What It Is

In spite of, or maybe because of, the current recession, there is still great interest in the stock market. One key measure of market activity is mentioned daily in the media as the Dow Jones Industrial Average.

How important is this number and what does it mean to the average investor in the management of his/her personal finances or retirement planning outside Social Security in options such as IRA, 403b, 401k, mutual funds or individual stocks?



Bob Carlson

On **Tuesday, November 10** at **7 p.m.** Bob Carlson will present a program on the Dow Jones Industrial Average. In this presentation Carlson will discuss the origin of the Dow Jones Industrial Average and how the makeup of it has changed during the past 113 years. He will also explain why it has stood the test of time as a measure of the health of the market, and, by extension, the economy. **Registration begins October 27.** Call 226-5040 or visit the What's Happening page at www.cmpl.org to register.

#### **Tiger Stadium Documentary**

The Lorenzo Cultural Center, located on the Macomb Community College campus, welcomes the exhibit *More Than a Game: How Sports Shape Culture* this fall. It

will explore a variety of themes including Detroit's professional baseball, basketball, football and hockey teams, college and high school athletics, as well as sports media, ethics, and business. It will run



September 16 through November 22, on Wednesday – Saturday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sunday 1 p.m. – 4 p.m.

Get a jump-start on your Michigan sports history by visiting the **Main Library** on **Monday, September 14** at **2 p.m.** for a documentary on Tiger Stadium. Meghan Mott from the Lorenzo Cultural Center will also be on hand to discuss the exhibition. **Registration begins September 1.** Call 226-5040 or visit the What's Happening page at www.cmpl.org to register.

Remember, you can also check out a Museum Adventure Pass for free admission to the Lorenzo Cultural Center and other great museums in Metro Detroit from now through October 24 at all CMPL locations.



September 5-7 CLOSED for Labor Day All CMPL locations

Wednesday, September 9 at 6:30 p.m. CMPL presents *Gran Torino* Main Library

Thursday, September 10 at 7 p.m. *The Jane Austen Book Club* Book Discussion Main Library

Saturday, September 12 at 10 a.m. Lego Club Main Library

Saturday, September 12 at 12 p.m. Pride and Prejudice Book Discussion South Branch

Monday, September 14 at 2 p.m. Tiger Stadium Documentary Main Library

**Tuesday, September 15 at 10 a.m.** *Relic* Book Discussion North Branch

**Tuesday, September 15 at 7 p.m.** Host an English Tea Main Library

Wednesday, September 16 at 4 p.m. TAC Meeting Main Library

Wednesday, September 16 at 7 p.m. Once Upon a Crime Main Library

**Thursday, September 17 at 1 p.m.** CMPL presents *Gran Torino* Main Library

Friday, September 18 at 3 p.m. Teen Gaming Open House Main Library

**Thursday, September 17 at 6:30 p.m.** Kiddlitt Main Library

> **Saturday, September 19** Diary of a Wimpy Kid Party North Branch

Sunday, September 20 at 2 p.m. Music at Main: Peter Fletcher Main Library

Saturday, September 26 at 2 p.m. Xtreme Readers South Branch

Tuesday, September 29 at 2 or 7 p.m. Director's Tour Main Library

> October 1-4 October 1-4 Used Book Sale Main Library

**Tuesday, October 6 at 6:30 p.m.** Living with Less Main Library

**Thursday, October 8 at 7 p.m.** The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society Book Discussion Main Library

Saturday, October 10 at 10 a.m. Halloween Crafts Main Library

Saturday, October 10 at 10:30 a.m. Wild Thing Crafts North Branch

Saturday, October 10 at 12 p.m. The Shack Book Discussion South Branch

Saturday, October 10 at 2 p.m. Teen Yoga Main Library

**Tuesday, October 13 at 7 p.m.** Music at Main: American Songbook of Jazz Main Library

Wednesday, October 14 at 6:30 p.m. CMPL presents *Duplicity* Main Library

Thursday, October 15 at 1 p.m. CMPL presents *Duplicity* Main Library

**Thursday, October 15 at 6:30 p.m.** Kiddlitt Main Library

Friday, October 16 at 10:30 a.m. Dog Tales South Branch Saturday, October 17 at 9:30 a.m. Fall Garden Clean Up Main Library

Saturday, October 17 at 2 p.m. Lego Club South Branch

Sunday, October 18 at 2 p.m. Music at Main: Gemini Main Library

Monday, October 19 at 7 p.m. The Great Depression Main Library

Tuesday, October 20 at 10 a.m. *Kill Artist* Book Discussion North Branch

Wednesday, October 21 at 4 p.m. TAC Meeting Main Library

Friday, October 23 at 3 p.m. Teen Gaming Open House Main Library

Saturday, October 24 at 9:30 a.m. Fall Garden Clean Up South Branch

Saturday, October 24 at 10:30 a.m. World of Bats South Branch

Saturday, October 24 at 1:30 p.m. World of Bats North Branch

Saturday, October 24 at 2 p.m. Xtreme Readers South Branch

Monday, October 26 at 7 p.m. The Great Depression Main Library

Wednesday, October 28 at 6:30 p.m. Halloween Party South Branch

Thursday, October 29 at 10 a.m. Halloween Party North Branch

Friday, October 30 at 5 p.m. TAC presents *Twilight* Main Library

**November** Monday, November 2 at 7 p.m. The Great Depression Main Library **Tuesday, November 3 at 10 or 10:30 a.m.** Parachute Games South Branch

Saturday, November 7 at 2 p.m. Mick Morris, Myth Solver South Branch

Sunday, November 8 at 2 p.m. Music at Main: Trio ReenActMent Main Library

Wednesday, November 11 at 6:30 p.m. CMPL presents *The Soloist* Main Library

**Tuesday, November 10 at 7 p.m.** Dow Jones Industrial Average: What It Was, What It Is Main Library

**Thursday, November 12 at 7 p.m.** *Tallgrass* Book Discussion Main Library

> Friday, November 13 CLOSED until 2 p.m. All CMPL locations

Saturday, November 14 at 12 p.m. The Wednesday Sisters Book Discussion South Branch

Saturday, November 14 at 1 p.m. Yo-Yo Man North Branch

Saturday, November 14 at 2 p.m. TAC presents National Gaming Day Main Library

**Tuesday, November 17 at 10 a.m.** *The Night Gardener* Book Discussion North Branch

Wednesday, November 18 at 4 p.m. TAC Meeting Main Library

**Thursday, November 19 at 1 p.m.** CMPL presents *The Soloist* Main Library

**Thursday, November 19 at 6:30 p.m.** Kiddlitt Main Library

Friday, November 20 at 2 p.m. Make Your Own Greeting Card Main Library Friday, November 20 at 3 p.m. Teen Gaming Open House Main Library

Saturday, November 21 at 10 a.m. Lego Club Main Library

Saturday, November 21 at 2 p.m. Xtreme Readers South Branch

> Wednesday, November 25 Close at 6 p.m. All CMPL locations

> Thursday, November 26 CLOSED for Thanksgiving All CMPL locations

Friday, November 27 at 2 p.m. The Jonas Brothers 3-D Concert North Branch

#### **December** Saturday, December 5 at 1 or 3 p.m. Gingerbread House Craft South Branch

Saturday, December 5 at 11 a.m. Make Your Own Greeting Card South Branch

Saturday, December 5 at 3 p.m. Santa Visits Main Library

Sunday, December 6 at 2 p.m. Music at Main: Detroit Metropolitan Flute Choir Main Library

Wednesday, December 9 at 6:30 p.m. CMPL presents *Four Christmases* Main Library

Wednesday, December 9 at 6:30 p.m. Santa Visits South Branch

Thursday, December 10 at 7 p.m. The Shack Book Discussion Main Library

**Saturday, December 12 at 12 p.m.** *The Guernsey Literary and Potato Pie Peel Society* Book Discussion South Branch

Saturday, December 12 at 9:30 a.m. Drop-In Holiday Crafts Main Library Saturday, December 12 at 2:30 p.m. Teen Cooking Club-Holiday Treats Main Library

**Tuesday, December 15 at 10 a.m.** *Until Proven Guilty* Book Discussion North Branch

Tuesday, December 15 at 10 or 11 a.m. Toddler Crafts North Branch

Wednesday, December 16 at 4 p.m. TAC Meeting Main Library

Wednesday, December 16 at 6:30 p.m. "Wild" Pajama Party South Branch

Thursday, December 17 at 1 p.m. CMPL presents *Four Christmases* Main Library

**Thursday, December 17 at 6:30 p.m.** Kiddlitt Main Library

Friday, December 18 at 3 p.m. Teen Gaming Open House Main Library

Saturday, December 19 at 10:30 a.m. Santa Visits North Branch

> Thursday, December 24 CLOSED for Christmas Eve All CMPL locations

Friday, December 25 CLOSED for Christmas All CMPL locations

Monday, December 28 at 2 p.m. Santa Buddies South Branch

Monday, December 28 at 6:30 p.m. Dinner and Movie Main Library

**Tuesday, December 29 at 2 p.m.** Lego Club North Branch

**Tuesday, December 29 at 10:30 a.m.** Thank You Note-Making Main Library

Friday, December 31 CLOSED for New Years' Eve All CMPL locations



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Music at Main

The Friends of the Library are bringing back the Sunday concert series at the **Main Library**. Join us for a free hour of music open to all ages. The Friends of the Library will also be on hand to sell the best of their used books to support programs such as the concert series.

**Sunday, September 20** at **2 p.m.**: Award-winning classical guitarist Peter Fletcher will visit. Fletcher, a noted classical guitarist from New York, will feature selections from his 2008 CD release *Music of the Baroque*.

**Tuesday, October 13 at 7 p.m.:** Join the American Songbook of Jazz with the Paul VornHagen Trio when they bring music to the library for a weekday concert. The group will play many American jazz standards including music by Duke Ellington, Cole Porter and George Gershwin.

**Sunday, October 18** at **2 p.m.**: *Gemini.* Hailing from Ann Arbor, brothers San and Laz and their selection of family-friendly songs from around the world about everyday life will have kids and parents singing along. This concert will entertain all ages from 3 to 103.

**Sunday, November 8** at **2 p.m.**: *Trio ReenActMent*. This three-piece ensemble will perform original acoustic jazz inspired by an eclectic mix of sounds. This group includes piano, bass and guitar.

**Sunday, December 6** at **2 p.m.**: The Detroit Metropolitan Flute Choir is comprised of twenty flutists from the Detroit area, conducted by Ervin Monroe, founder and musical director. The ensemble consists of professional flutists, music teachers, and advanced flutists who enjoy performing music.



Peter Fletcher: September 20



Gemini: October 18



Trio ReenActMent: November 8