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Summer Reading for the Whole Family Read whatever you want, whenever you want and win a Wii or an iPod!

Be Creative at the Clinton-Macomb Public Library! This year's summer reading themes are perfect for unlocking creativity and imagination.

"The Summer Reading Clubs are a great way for families and people of all ages to have fun this summer," said Library Director Larry Neal. "We offer a lot of free events like magicians and craft programs for children and teens. It is also a great opportunity to win prizes for reading anything you want."

Participating in the Summer Reading Club is easy, even if you have a hectic summer schedule. Children, teens and adults can read whatever they want, whenever they want to complete the program. There is no schedule to follow or certain books you have to read in order to participate or complete the program.

For those of you who will be at the library this summer, CMPL has planned numerous activities to keep you entertained. Children and teens both have the opportunity to win their very own Nintendo Wii® just for completing the Summer Reading Club. You can also pick up smaller prizes throughout the summer on your way to completing the program. Adults will be reading for the opportunity to win a bi-weekly prize of a book light and a grand prize of an Apple iPod Nano[®].

Joining the Summer Reading Club is easy. Beginning June 1 just visit any CMPL location and pick up a reading chart for children, teens or adults. Spend time reading this summer: 15 hours for

children, 20 hours for teens or three books for adults, and turn in your form by August 8. By mid-August, you could be a big winner!

Summer Scavenger Hunt

Our annual summer scavenger hunt is back! Find the world's most creative artists, musicians, actors and more at CMPL this summer. Beginning Monday, June 15 you can pick up your Creative Notebook from any reference desk at any location. We will place a poster of a famous band, film, work of art, or other creative endeavor in different areas of the library over the course of the summer. Write down the name of the famous creative item in your Creative Notebook each week. At the end of the summer a random drawing of correct entries will determine a winner. A new creative clue and location will appear the **weeks of June 15, June 22, June 29, July 13, July 20, July 27** and **August 3**.

Please note that the answers will be different at each location. *If you start playing the game at the North Branch, you will need to continue to play at the North Branch in order to complete the game with the correct answers.* Submit your completed log and you could be the winner of a great prize! Don't worry if you can't visit the library once a week. Just visit our web site to help you find out what you missed. This contest is open to children, teens and adults.



In March the library passed an incredible milestone of having 100,000 active library cardholders and we are well on our way to exceeding 2 million circulation transactions this year. Both numbers are excellent indicators of how well used our libraries are as a public resource, but one area where we have a long way to go is the number of participants in our summer reading programs. With over 12,000 students in our service area we barely exceed 1,000 participants. Considering we have programs for every resident in our community, the percentage of total participants is even smaller. Here are a few myths and facts about our summer reading programs:

MYTH: Summer reading is for children only.

FACT: While children are a primary target for summer reading we have programs for teens and adults as well. Improved vocabulary, reduced stress, greater concentration, better understanding of other cultures, and improved memory have all been cited as benefits of reading for all ages. Reading is exercise for your mind! In addition, we offer prizes for each of our summer reading programs.

MYTH: I will have to read books I don't like.

FACT: We want to encourage everyone to read for fun. You and your family are free to read anything you want towards your reading time. This means there are no accelerated reading list requirements for children or any restrictions for adults. Read your favorite classic, read a cereal box, read anything you like! If you get started on a book and you don't like it, just return it.

MYTH: I don't have time to read.

FACT: There are many ways to enjoy a good novel including audio books on CD or our Playaway devices that let you take an all-in-one audio book and player almost anywhere. Allow yourself to escape into a classic novel about the "good old days" or go boldly into the future with a good science fiction book. Learn a foreign language or explore new career and hobby choices. Try making time; you will be glad you did!

MYTH: It's hard to find a good book to read.

FACT: Granted, it may be hard to choose from the library's 280,000 books and 10,000 audio books. Fortunately our librarians are standing by to help match your interests to items in our collection. For an "indepth" recommendation of what to read next take advantage of our "10 in Ten" service. You complete a brief profile about your interests and our librarians compile a list of ten different books they believe would be of interest to you.

Want just a small sample of a book? Try signing up for the Online Book Club subscription service on our web site (www.cmpl.org). Each week you will receive e-mail excerpts from books in a genre that you select. If a book catches your interest and you want to read it in depth, place it on hold.

We hope that you and your family will experience the fun and benefits of our reading programs this summer.

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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)

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



Design Our New Library Cards!

This year's summer reading theme is Be Creative. What could be more creative than designing CMPL's new

library cards? All ages, from children to seniors, are invited to get out their art supplies and design a new look for our library cards. We will narrow down the entries to semi-



finalists and then let the entire community vote for their favorite designs online. Pick up an entry form, with full set of contest rules, at any CMPL location beginning June 15 and let your imaginations go!

One Book, One Community

This year's One Book, One Community program will be a little bit different. Instead of focusing on one

book, the program will focus on one author. This year the Suburban Cooperative Libraries will celebrate the works of Jane Austen. The One Book, One Community program will run from August-November 2009. This fall we will feature Jane Austen books at our book discussions and host other presentations in conjunction with the program. However, you



can get a jump on your Jane Austen by attending our August movie events, which will feature the film adaptation of *Emma* starring Gwyneth Paltrow. See page five for more details and be on the lookout for other One Book, One Community programs starting this fall.

Library Trustee News

The Macomb Township Board of Trustees has reappointed Camille Silda and Sharon Zielinski to each serve four-year terms on the Library Board. Camille joined the Board in 2006 and is a senior planner in the Macomb County Department of Planning and Economic Development. Sharon joined the board in 2008 and works in GM's Vehicle Development Research Lab.

New Web Site

Have you visited our web site, www.cmpl.org, lately? If not, drop by the next time you're surfing the web. We're getting a whole new look! Visit our web site this summer to see the great changes we've made to allow us to serve you better. The new site will offer lots of great new features including Patron Perks, video content and

web tutorials. Search under the Recommended tab for a slew of top 10 titles and item recommendations. Visit the



Research and Homework tab for assistance navigating through web site and journal articles that are perfect for completing homework assignments. Don't worry, we've still got all the same wonderful content in one place, we've just made it a bit easier for you to find. Stop by www.cmpl.org this summer and let us know what you think of our new look.

Brick Pavers

Have you purchased a brick paver yet? You have until June 1 to get your order in for a brick paver this year. You can choose up to three lines of personalization. The bricks are laid into the patio over the summer and

there is a dedication ceremony where you will receive a photo of your brick in a commemorative card. Purchasing a brick paver is a won-



derful way to commemorate a special event such as a graduation, birth or anniversary. Bricks are just \$65. Pick up a brick paver form at any CMPL location or online at www.cmpl.org/Library/SupportLibrary.htm.

Don't Leave Home Without It

Just a reminder about a new Suburban Library Cooperative policy. When you travel to another SLC library you must have your CMPL card with you. You will need to show proof that you have a library card with your home library before you will be allowed to check out materials. You may also be asked to show your Driver's License to verify your home library.

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.

South Branch: The South Branch hosts a book discussion on the second Saturday of the month at 12 p.m.

May 9: A Thousand Splendid Suns by Khaled Hosseini June 13: People of the Book by Geraldine Brooks July 11: The Thirteenth Tale by Diane Setterfield August 8: Bridge of Sighs by Richard Russo

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

May 14: Snow in August by Pete Hamill June 11: One Thousand White Women by Jim Fergus July 9: Tortilla Curtain by T. Coraghessan Boyle August 13: Heart of Darkness by Joseph Conrad

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

May 19: *Quiver* by Peter Leonard June 16: *A Wrongful Death* by Kate Wilhelm July 21: *Dear Irene* by Jan Burke August 18: *Serpent Gate* by Michael McGarrity

Foreclosure Prevention Packet

CMPL now has Foreclosure Prevention Packets available at all of our branches. These packets include a wide range of information regarding mortgage foreclosures from HUD and the Hope Now Program as well as the Michigan State Housing Development Authority and Michigan State University Extension project, all designed to assist homeowners who are having financial difficulty meeting their mortgage obligations.

Also included in the packets are resources for debt solution, money management, free legal services, foreclosure "rescue" scams and tips on dealing with change and job loss, family stress and financial survival skills. Just ask a librarian where you can obtain your packet.

Visit the Library Gift Store

Regular visitors to the Library Gift Store long ago discovered the \$1.00 used book bundles sold on behalf of the Friends of the Clinton-Macomb Public Library. In addition to the mystery, romance and general fiction genres pre-

viously sold, the Friends are going to provide children's books, hard cover and better quality books and other surprises. You may now find history, science fiction, health, westerns, cookbooks or classics when you browse the Library Gift Store shelves. Every week will bring new reading choices and changes from the Friends --don't miss them!



While you are checking out the variety of Friends' books, you will also see terrific library accessories such as bookmarks and quality book ends. Would you enjoy a cup of tea while reading those bargain books? Look no farther than the Library Gift Store for beautiful teapots. Want to jot down notes about a really good read? The gift store has note cards, index cards, notebooks, pens and pencils. There are flash drives to store an up-to-date list of your favorite authors, movies and books. You can choose some greeting cards to send to friends; let them know about the amazing book you couldn't put down or the movie that made you laugh out loud. At the Library Gift Store, you help yourself to real values and help your library at the same time! 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.

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 08/31/09

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

Calling All Gardeners

CMPL is looking for Master Gardener volunteers, students looking for community service hours and people who just love gardening to help us with our summer maintenance of the landscaping at the Main Library and the South Branch.



Our orientation meeting will be held on **Thursday, May 14** at **7 p.m.** in the **Main Library** auditorium.

Spring clean-up for the Main Library is scheduled for Sat-

urday, June 6 from 9:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. The South Branch will be tidied up on Saturday, June 13 from 9:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m.

If you can't make one of the clean-up days, garden maintenance will be ongoing all summer long. Give us a call and we will try to work out flexible hours to suit your schedule. If this sounds like something you would enjoy, please join us. For more information, please call Carole Bannister at (586) 226-5003 or 790-7971.

Computer Tutors Wanted

Do you have a natural gift for teaching, and enjoy working with others? The Main Library 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 to teach basic computer skills to our customers.

This 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 a set time depending on the volunteer's availability. Librarians at Main will work with the volunteer(s) to initially set up a curriculum that will meet the needs of library customers. **Please e-mail Kathy Champieux at kchampieux@cmpl.org** if you are interested in applying for this volunteer opportunity.



CMPL is pleased to offer two different 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, May 13 at 6:30 p.m. and Thursday, May 21 at 1 p.m.: *Quantum of Solace*. This film continues the high octane adventures of James Bond right after Casino Royale. Betrayed by the woman he loved, 007 fights the urge to make his latest mission personal as he tries to uncover the truth. This mission leads him to Austria, Italy and South America and takes him through a minefield of treachery, murder and deceit in this action-packed Bond spectacular. *Rated PG-13, 106 minutes.*

Wednesday, June 10 at 6:30 p.m. and Thursday, June 18 at 1 p.m.: *Seven Pounds*. An IRS agent, depressed and guilt-ridden about mistakes from his past, sets out to make amends by helping seven strangers. When he falls in love with one of the people on his list, his plan becomes increasingly complicated.. *Rated PG-13, 123 minutes*.

Wednesday, July 8 at 6:30 p.m. and Thursday, July 23 at 1 p.m.: *Frost/Nixon* This film is a dramatic retelling of the post-Watergate television interviews between British talk-show host David Frost and former president Richard Nixon. For three years after being forced from office, Nixon remained silent, but in 1977 he agreed to sit for one all-inclusive interview to confront the questions of his time in office and the Watergate scandal that ended his presidency. *Rated R, 122 minutes.*

Wednesday, August 12 at 6:30 p.m. and Thursday, August 20 at 1 p.m.: *Emma*. From legendary novelist Jane Austen comes the alluring tale of Emma, a curious young woman so devoted to meddling in the lives and romances of others that she just might miss her chance at true love in this exceptional adaptation of a classic story. *Rated PG*, *121 minutes*.

Be Creative @Your Library

Draw some pictures, stage a play, attend a concert & dance; Be Creative @ Your Library and join the library's summer reading program! Reading charts will be available beginning June 1 at all CMPL locations. Kids from babies through grade 5 can mark their progress on a game board. Babies and kids not yet reading keep track of the books that are read to them on the Read to Me board while independent readers mark the time spent reading on the Be Creative board. All reading and listening time must be reported by August 8. Children who finish the 15 hours or 60 books and turn in their reading chart will be entered at each Branch in a drawing for a grand prize. Prizes can be picked up starting June 15. And one lucky person from Clinton or Macomb Township will win a Nintendo Wii! Winners will be announced at our final program on August 11.

Rock Bands Kick Off Summer Reading

Zippity2Dads will set the stage at the North and South Branches on **Tuesday, June 16**. This dynamic duo of two dads are experienced entertainers for children of all ages. The show is sure to have you singing and dancing and bouncing in your seat. They will be at the **South Branch** at **10:30 a.m.** and the **North Branch** at **2 p.m. Registration is required and begins on June 2**.

On Wednesday, June 17 at 10:30 a.m. the Main Library will rock to the music of the Candy Band. This quartet of moms know how to get you moving. Their infectious high energy will have you snapping your fingers, tapping your feet and dancing in the aisles as they give new life to old favorites. Kids of all ages are invited to join us. No registration is necessary.

Magic at the South Branch



Magician Jason Abbott will appear at the South Branch on Saturday, May 2 at 10:30 a.m. Watch closely to catch his sleight of hand. Be amazed by his magic tricks. Audience participation is encouraged to enhance the magic. Registration for this family program begins April 18.

Eric Carle Day

Eric Carle's 80th birthday is **Thursday, June 25** and the Main Library is celebrating! Children ages 4 to 7 are invited the **Main Library** at **10 a.m.** to listen to one of his most loved stories, *The Very Hungry Caterpillar*, make crafts and have fun! **Registration begins June 11**.

String Games

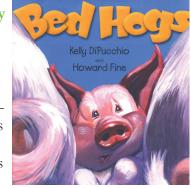
Children ages 10 and up are invited to the Main Library on Thursday, July 2 from 1:30-3:30 p.m. for string games. String games have been around for generations. Come learn some new figures or relearn some old figures. String provided. Registration begins June 25.

Author Kelly DiPucchio at the North Branch

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Join us as local author Kelly DiPucchio shares her book,

Bed Hogs, at the North Branch on Saturday, May 9 at 10:30 a.m. This rollicking bedtime story was the 2006 Michigan Reads! selection. Ms. DiPucchio has authored many delightful children's picture books and an irreverent song book titled Sipping Spiders Through a Straw. While



geared towards younger children, this program will be fun for all. **No registration is needed.**

Friendship Bracelets

Visit the Main Library on Thursday, June 18 from 1:30-3:30 p.m. for friendship bracelet fun. Children ages 10 and up are invited to make friendship bracelets. Friendship bracelets are fun, colorful and inexpensive to make. Learn how to make basic knots. Please bring 3 different colored skeins of embroidery floss to make bracelets. **Registration begins June 4.**



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.

Story time runs June 29 through August 6. Registration begins June 15. 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 - 36 months) NEW! Wednesdays at 10 a.m. (2 - 3 years) Wednesdays at 11 a.m. (3 - 5 years)

North Branch

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)

Lego Club

July 6.

Bring your Legos to the Main Library for building fun! We will supply the theme and you build it! Prizes will

be given for winning designs. No kits or Technic Legos allowed. Lego Club will be held at the at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, May 16. This program is for ages 6-12.

Registration begins May 2.



The South Branch will host Lego Club on Monday, July 20 at 2 p.m. Registration is required and begins

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

Bedtime Stories

Children ages 0-5 years 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: June 25, July 9, July 23 and August 6. No registration required.



Sidewalk Chalk

Show off your creativity on a sidewalk square at the



Main Library on Tuesday, June 23 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Visit the North Branch on Wednesday, July 1 from 2-6 p.m. to decorate the sidewalk. You bring the chalk and we'll provide the sidewalk. This is for

kids ages 4-12. Registration begins two weeks prior to each event.

Chess Club

Chess club will be held at the Main Library on Saturdays May 9, June 6 and July 11 from 3:30 to 4:45 p.m. This drop-in program is for children ages 4-15. A five round unrated chess tournament for children grade K-12 will be held on July 25 from 1-3:15 p.m. Registration is required and runs July 1-16.

PAWS for Reading

PAWS dogs will be at the North Branch on the following Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m.: June 2, June 16, July 7, July 21, August 4 and August 18.



PAWS dogs will be at the South Branch at **2 p.m.** on the following **Saturdays**: August 22.

PAWS dogs will be at the **Main Library** this summer. See the Children's Reference Desk for dates and times.

Summer Vacation

The following programs are on summer vacation at the North Branch: Music and Movement, Second Saturdays and Baby Play Time. At the Main Library, Kiddlitt and Lego Club are also on vacation. Look for us again in September!

Gaming at the Library

Rock out at the North Branch as we bring out the video games this summer. These programs are for grades 3-6 (in the fall) and will last approximately 1 hour. Registration begins two weeks before each event.



Monday, June 22 at 2 p.m. play DDR (Dance Dance Revolution)

Monday, July 6 at 2 p.m. play Guitar Hero World Tour Monday, July 27 at 2 p.m. play Rock Band 2

Family Video Games

Think your family has the best Rock Band around? Take your show on the road and join us for a friendly family evening of video games at the South Branch on Thursday, July 23, starting at 6 p.m. Registration begins Thursday, July 9. Kids and parents of all ages and all video gaming abilities are welcome to join us.

Pippin Puppets

The **South Branch** will host Pippin Puppets newest show "Puppets 1-2-3" on Saturday, July 11 at 2 p.m.

Pippin Puppets is known for its original and engaging stories. This show, which ties into the summer theme of creativity, is sure to be enter-



taining. Registration begins on June 27. This program is best suited for ages 5 and up.

Kids Jewelry Craft

Be creative this summer by designing and creating fun jewelry to wear all year long! The library will provide everything necessary to put together fabulous & funky creations. Kids ages 8-12 are invited to join us at the South Branch at 2 p.m. on Wednesday, July 15. Registration will begin on Wednesday, July 1.

Movie and Craft Program

Movie and craft time for preschool and kindergartenage children returns this summer! The South Branch



will host *Harold and the Purple Crayon* on Wednesday, June 24 at 10 a.m. for ages 3 and up. Registration beings June 10.

> Come to the Main Library at 10:30 a.m. on Thursday, July 30 to watch a short

movie and to make a simple craft. The movie is based on a picture book and is quite short so being on time is highly recommended. Registration begins July 16.

Happily Ever After @ CMPL

Join us on Tuesday, July 21 when storyteller Judy Sima



will share a collection of stories that end happily ever after. Her engaging performance is certain to delight both the young and the young at heart. She will be at the **North Branch** at 1 p.m., the Main Library at 3 p.m. and the South Branch at 6:30 p.m. No registration is required at the Main

library; registration for the Branches begins July 7.

Summer Toddler Series

Children ages 2-4 years are invited to the North Branch for fun! Registration begins 2 weeks before each event.

Lisa's Dance Party

Join Mrs. Lisa for 30 minutes of dancing fun on Tuesday, July 7 at 10 a.m. and 11 a.m. Music lists will be available after each event.

Toddler Crafts

Mother Goose Crafts on Tuesday, June 30. This program will be offered at 10 a.m. and 11 a.m. Kids' Songs on Tuesday, July 14. This program will be offered at 10 a.m. and 11 a.m.

Toddler Time: Parachute Games

Join us for thirty minutes of parachute fun on Tuesday, July 28 at 10 a.m. and 11 a.m.

Dancin' at the Main Library

Kick up your heels and dance with your little ones at the Main Library. Bring your children ages 2 to 4 either Monday, July 6 or Monday, July 20 at 3 p.m. for 30 minutes of non-stop dancing. Registration begins two weeks prior to each event.

Young Rembrandts

Love to draw? The Young Rembrandts drawing program is for you! Learn about drawing techniques, or how to

draw animals or do cartooning at one of several different sessions. This program is for children ages 7 and older. Registration is required for each session and begins two weeks prior to the session. The dates are as follows and all sessions begin at 2 p.m.

North Branch: Tuesdays, June 23, July 14 and August 4

South Branch: Mondays, June 29, July 13 and July 27



Children's Movie Matinees

The North Branch will host movies for children this summer. Light refreshments will be served, but please feel free to bring a drink in a covered container.



Thursday, July 9 at 2 p.m. come see *The Tale of Despereaux* (G, 93 minutes). **Registration begins June 25.**

Thursday, August 6 at 2 p.m. come see *High School Musical 3* (G, 112 minutes). **Registration begins July** 23.

Reader's Theatre

Create some drama by joining our Reader's Theatre



troupe at the **Main Library**. In Reader's Theatre the actors do not memorize their lines but have their scripts in hand. Vocal expression is used to help the audience understand the story.

We will meet 4 times to choose and rehearse a story; the final meeting will end with a performance for your families. Because every actor in the group is important, you must attend all four sessions. We will meet July 7, 9, 14 and 16 from 2-4 p.m. This is for kids ages 7 to 10. Registration begins June 23.

Craft Corner

South Branch

All ages are invited to put on smocks or old clothes and visit the South Branch for crafts. **Registration is required two weeks prior to each program.**

Wednesday, June 17 from 10 a.m.-12 p.m. Wednesday, July 8 from 2-4 p.m. Thursday, July 30 from 2-4 p.m.

North Branch

Cut, tear, and glue at the North Branch for Collage Crafts on Wednesday, July 22 at 2 p.m. This program is for ages 6-10 and registration begins July 8.



Main Library

Come to the Main Library

on Wednesday, August 19 at 10:30 a.m. and make colorful sand art creations. This program is open to children ages 5-11. Registration begins August 5.

Kiddlitt

Children in grades 2-5 are invited to read *Clementine* by Sara Pennypacker and come to the **Main Library** to discuss the book on **Thursday, May 21** at 6:30 p.m. **Registration begins April 23.**

Xtreme Readers Book Group

The Xtreme Readers Book Group is for children ages 7-12 and is sponsored by a grant from Target. Children who participate can keep a copy of the book to add to their home libraries. **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:

May 30 – Phineas L. MacGuire...Erupts! by Frances O'Roark Dowell June 27 – Maniac Magee by Jerry Spinelli July 25 – The Invention of Hugo Cabret by Brian Selznick August 29 – Rules by Cynthia Lord

Kid's Online Book Club

Fourth or fifth graders are invited to read any or all of the four titles listed below. 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 summer are:

Rapunzel's Revenge by Shannon Hale The Giver by Lois Lowry Mister Monday by Garth Nix Sideways Stories from Wayside School by Louis Sachar

Joel Tacey

Join us on **Tuesday, August 11** as we bring our summer reading program to a close with Joel Tacey's comedy variety show "Joel's Circus Creatus". This family-friendly show is jampacked with dazzling juggling and a host of new tricks to amaze everyone. The wrap-up program will be held at all three library locations; **10:30 a.m.** at the **South Branch, 1 p.m.** at the



Main Library, and 3:30 p.m. at the North Branch. No registration is needed at the Main library; registration for the Branches begins July 28.

Back to School Story Time

Summer vacation is almost over at our Back to School Story Time at the **North Branch** on **Thursday, August 27** at **10:30 a.m.** We'll pull out our favorite back to school books for this fun program. This story time is for ages 3-8. **Registration begins August 13.**



Teen Advisory Council

The last meeting of the TAC will occur at the Main Library in Conference Room B on Wednesday, May 6 at 4 p.m.

2009 - 2010 TAC Meetings

The Teen Advisory Council provides teen program ideas and feedback to the library. TAC membership is open to teens, grades 6 through 12 in Clinton Township and Macomb Township. TAC members and officers are determined at the first meeting of the year. Meetings are held once a month on Wednesdays, September through May. The first meeting will be on Wednesday, September 16 at 4 p.m. at the Main Library. Please fill out a TAC membership application available at the Children's Services reference desk at the Main Library, or at the North and South Branch reference desks.

Gaming Open Houses

Teens are invited to play the Wii, Guitar Hero, Rockband and DDR in the Main **Library** auditorium. Make sure to wear comfortable clothes and shoes. No registration is required. Teen Gaming will be offered on:

> Friday, May 8 from 3 - 5 p.m. Friday, June 5 from 3 - 5 p.m. Wednesday, July 1 from 2 - 4 p.m. Wednesday, July 8 from 2 - 4 p.m. Wednesday, July 22 from 2 – 4 p.m. Wednesday, July 29 from 2 – 4 p.m.

Teen Prize Drawings

Teens in the Summer Reading Club have a chance to win great prizes. Simply read a book and fill out a teen book review form available June 15 - August 8 at the Children's Services Reference Desk at the Main Library or the North and South Branch reference desks. There is no limit to the number of forms that may be entered but a different book must be reviewed for each completed entry. Prizes will be drawn and winners notified by phone on the following Mondays: June 29, July 13, July 27 and August 10.

Teen Program Reminder

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

****Express Yourself** @ Your Library" June 1 - August 8

Teens can read any books, graphic novels, magazines, audio books, etc. to participate in the Teen Summer Reading Club. Teens who read 20 hours or more can



enter the Grand Prize drawing for a \$50.00 gift card to Target and the CMPL Super Grand Prize Drawing for a Nintendo Wii. There will also be a chance to win gift cards to Border's Books and Music.

The reading club begins Monday, June 1 and ends

Saturday, August 8. Teens can begin to pick up small incentive prizes beginning June 15 after reading 5 hours, 10 hours and 20 hours. Pick up a reading log at the Children's Services reference desk at the Main Library or at the North and South Branch reference desks. The Teen Grand Prize winner will be notified by phone on Monday, August 10.

Teen Above & Beyond Prize Drawing

Teens who have already completed Teen Summer Reading Club and entered the Grand Prize and Super Grand Prize Drawing can keep reading for a chance to win Above & Beyond prizes. Prizes may include gift cards to local retailers. One entry form equals one hour of

reading and there is no limit to the number of forms entered. Above & Beyond entry forms can be picked up and returned at the Children's Services reference desk at the Main Library or from the North and South



Branch reference desks by Saturday, August 8. Above & Beyond Prize winners will be notified by phone on Monday, August 10.

Swing Dancing

Swing dance instructor Sam Johnson will offer a free lesson to teens, ages 13 and up in the **Main Library** auditorium on **Wednesday**, **June 24** at **2 p.m.** After the lesson is over, open swing-dancing will be available until 5

p.m. Please wear comfortable clothing. **Registration is limited and begins Wednesday, June 10. Teen Talent Show**

ever teen talent show on Wednesday, July 15 at 2 p.m.

Teens are invited to showcase their talents at the first



in the **Main Library** auditorium. Contestants will be judged by a three-person panel and prizes will be awarded to 1st and 2nd place. The library has a piano and sound system

available. Family and friends are welcome to be a part of the audience. **Registration begins Wednesday, July 1.**

Super Smash Brothers Brawl Tournament

The CMPL TAC will host our 3rd SSBB tournament

for teens in the Main Library auditorium on **Wednesday**, **August 5** from **2 – 6 p.m.** or until we have determined a winner. A prize will be awarded to the top two finishers and refreshments will be



served. Please check the Teen Gaming Open House dates to practice for the tournament. **Registration** begins Wednesday, July 22.

Recycled Crafts - Disco Balls

Create your own disco ball using recycled CDs at the **Main Library** in the Children's Activity Room on **Wednesday, August 12** at **2 p.m.** We will provide CDs and glue but you must bring your own Styrofoam ball (suggested size 5" to 8") available at local craft stores. **Begistration begins Wednesday**



Teen D.I.Y.: Duct Taping

The South Branch will host a duct tape craft on **Tuesday, July 7** from 3-5 p.m. **Registration begins June 23.**

> Teens are also invited to duct tape at the Main Library in the Children's Activity Room on **Thursday, July 23** at

2 p.m. We will provide the duct tape. **Registration begins Thursday, July 9.**

Teen Jewelry Craft

Be creative this summer by designing and creating fun jewelry to wear all year long! The library will provide everything necessary to put together fabulous & funky creations. Teens ages 13 and up are invited to join us at the **South Branch** at **2 p.m.** on **Wednesday, July 22**. **Registration will begin on Wednesday, July 8**.

Comic Book Contest

Calling all artists! Do you love comics and graphic novels? We do too! Here's your chance to create your own and perhaps win a prize! Turn in a 5-10 page comic and completed entry form at any of our three buildings by closing on Friday, July 31st. Entries will be judged by a panel of librarians. Subject, style, and format are up to you! Collaboration is allowed. Winning entries will be reproduced and distributed to the public at all three libraries! *Please leave at least 1/4 inch of white space on all four sides of the paper. You may use colored pencil, marker, pencil, ink or crayon for your design. If you use pencil, please make sure it is dark enough to be reproduced.*

Summer Reading Suggestions

Are you looking for a good book to read for the Summer Reading Club? Here are some great options: *Pop Princess* by Rachel Cohn *Fat Kid Rules the World* by K.L. Going *Suite Scarlett* by Maureen Johnson *Born to Rock* by Gordon Korman *The Wednesday Wars* by Gary D. Schmidt *The Last Days* by Scott Westerfeld *Dear Julia* by Amy Bronwen Zemser *Memoirs of a Teenage Amnesiac* by Gabrielle Zevin

stores. Registration begins Wednesday, July 29.

Adult Programs

Summer Salads

CMPL welcomes Fran Salvatore from Pamela's Catering to present Summer Salads at the **Main Library** on **Thursday, May** 7 at 7 p.m. Learn how to make delightful salads just in time for summer picnics, graduation parties and days at the beach. We will have small samples of the recipes to taste and you will go home with new recipes to share with family and friends this fall. **Registration begins**



April 23. Call 226-5050 or visit the Events page at www.cmpl.org to register.

Explore Gentle Reads

Come to the Main Library at on Wednesday, May 13 at 2 p.m. to learn more about the relaxing reads we have



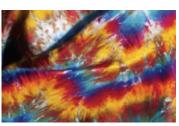
to offer at the library. Gentle Reads are books that are populated with endearing characters. They can be charming, touching, uplifting or humorous, but they contain little or no violent or sexual content. Our librarians have

scoured the shelves and will gladly give you the inside scoop on the authors you must read and the titles you should check out. **Registration is required and begins April 29.** Call 226-5050 or visit the Events page at www.cmpl.org to register.

Tie-Dye Day at the South Branch

Please join us on **Saturday, June 20** at **11 a.m.** for a fun morning of creating your own tie-dye T- Shirt for

yourself or your family or friends (limit 4 items). This program is for adults. **Space is limited and registration begins June 6.** Please call 226-5073 or visit www.cmpl.org/events.



Please note that you must bring your own 100% cotton T-Shirt. You need to wash the T-Shirt, but DO NOT use fabric softeners or dryer sheets. Please wear old clothes as this project can be messy.

Job Help

Please join us at the Main Library for several job help information workshops presented by a Human Resources

& Management instructor. **Reg**istration is required as space is limited. Please call 226-5040 or visit www.cmpl.org to register on the dates listed below.



Resume Writing Workshop

One Saturday, May 9 from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. discover your critical transferable skills and learn how to market yourself. Resume and cover letter techniques will be addressed: what to always include, what to sometimes include, and what to never include in your resume. Be sure to bring a copy of your resume. **Registration begins April 25.**

Interviewing Workshop

From employer research to the most common interviewing questions, learn the "in's and out's" of interviewing. Effective interviewing techniques will also be discussed. Please join us on Saturday, May 16 from 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. Registration begins May 2.

Summer Reading: Master the Art of Reading

Join the fun at CMPL this summer by getting involved in the Adult Summer Reading Club! Starting June 1, pick up an entry form at any CMPL location. The rules are



simple: read or listen to any three books between June 1 and August 8, then fill out an entry form with the titles and authors you read. Once your form is completed, turn it in at any reference desk and you could win a fabulous prize!

This year we will conduct a bi-weekly prize drawing at all three locations and a grand prize drawing at the end of summer reading. The grand prize this year is an iPod Nano. *You must be a resident of Clinton or Macomb Township to win.* The more you read, the more times you can enter. You can read whatever you want, whenever you want. Pick up a form June 1 for your chance to win!



Great Lakes, Ancient Shores

Visit the Main Library on Tuesday, May 19 at

6:30 p.m. to celebrate Michigan Week by exploring the shores of the Great Lakes. Luke Clyburn will be at the library to present a film that focuses on river projects in

the St. Clair River and the ancient river which runs through the Straits of Mackinac below the present water level. The film explores the shores of the Mackinac Channels and also investigates shipwreck remains which have come to



Captain Luke Clyburn

rest along its now submerged banks. It also features dive operations aboard the Research/Training Vessel, "Pride of Michigan" and members of the Great Lakes Division, Navy Sea Cadets who work alongside scientists on board the ship.

Captain Clyburn will include a PowerPoint presentation explaining the history of the Noble Odyssey Foundation and its projects as well as introduce information on the ancient lake levels. **Registration begins Tuesday, May 5.** Call 226-5040 or visit the Events page at www.cmpl.org.

Lunch Lecture with Judge Sheila Miller

Bring your lunch to the Main Library and learn more about how the court system works on Friday, May 15

at **12 p.m.** Judge Sheila Miller will discuss how the court system works and explain the difference between district and circuit court. She will also explain the difference between small claims and a general civil case. If you



have ever wondered how the judicial system works, this is a wonderful opportunity to get first-hand information from Judge Sheila Miller. **Registration begins Friday, May 1.** Call 226-5040 or visit www.cmpl.org to register.

eBay Training

Visit the Main Library on Thursday, August 6 from 3-5 p.m. to learn the ins and outs of eBay. A representative from the United States Post Office will be here to show you how the Post Office and assist you with your eBay shipping and how to get started with an eBay account. Registration begins for residents on Thursday, July 23. Call 226-5050 or visit www.cmpl.org to register.

Great Lakes Beadworkers Guild

On Monday, August 3 at 11 a.m. visit the Main Library for a 30-minute presentation about the Great Lakes Bead Guild. They will be setting up a display of their impressive beadwork, which will be at the library through August 31.

Online Resources Uncovered

Situation: Your child comes home with a school assignment that requires a biography or autobiography, the library doesn't have a book available, and you are short on time.

Solution: The Biography Resource Center (BRC), an electronic database containing thousands of articles about well-known people worldwide. Many of these articles originally appeared in print, and others were produced for research use by the respected publisher Gale. Included with many of the articles are images, source citations, and lists of further readings. Along with biographical profiles, the database includes magazine and newspaper articles about the subject, as well as carefully selected web sites. If you are seeking a name, the resource offers Category search, a detailed Biographical Facts search, and Advanced search. Links to other

databases, a dictionary, and information on sources are also included to support your research.

How to Use It: To access this valuable resource, simply

go to the CMPL web site (www.cmpl.org). Click the blue eResources button on the home page, and select Biography Resource Center from the "Find databases by name A-Z" dropdown. If you visit after our web site makeover, click on the Research & Homework tab at the top. Look on the left side of the page to find databases by subject. Find Biography Resource Center in the list and click on it. (If you are outside the library and are a resident of Clinton or Macomb Township, have your CMPL library card handy and type in your barcode number when prompted.) Once on the BRC home page, type in a name or search for one.

The Biography Resource Center makes it easy to find an abundance of reliable information on a large number of notable individuals, and is one of the many ways that CMPL enriches your life!





May Saturday, May 2 at 10:30 a.m. Jason Abbott Magic South Branch

Wednesday, May 6 at 4 p.m. TAC Meeting Main Library

Thursday, May 7 at 7 p.m. Summer Salads Main Library

Saturday, May 9 at 10:30 a.m. Author Kelly DiPucchio North Branch

Saturday, May 9 at 11 a.m. Resume Writing Workshop Main Library

Saturday, May 9 at 12 p.m. A Thousand Splendid Suns Book Discussion South Branch

> Saturday, May 9 at 3:30 p.m. Chess Club Main Library

Wednesday, May 13 at 2 p.m. Gentle Reads Main Library

Wednesday, May 13 at 6:30 p.m. CMPL presents *Quantum of Solace* Main Library

Thursday, May 14 at 7 p.m. Snow in August Book Discussion Main Library

Friday, May 15 at 12 p.m. Judge Sheila Miller Main Library

Saturday, May 16 at 10:30 a.m. Lego Club Main Library

Saturday, May 16 at 11 a.m. Interviewing Workshop Main Library

Tuesday, May 19 at 10 a.m. Quiver Book Discussion North Branch

Tuesday, May 19 at 6:30 p.m. Great Lakes, Ancient Shores-River Channels Main Library Thursday, May 21 at 1 p.m. CMPL presents *Quantum of Solace* Main Library

Thursday, May 21 at 6:30 p.m. Kiddlitt Main Library

Saturday, May 30 at 2 p.m. Xtreme Readers South Branch

June

Monday, June 1 Summer Reading Begins! All CMPL locations

Saturday, June 6 at 9:30 a.m. Garden Clean Up Main Library

Saturday, June 6 at 3:30 p.m. Chess Club Main Library

Wednesday, June 10 at 6:30 p.m. CMPL presents Seven Pounds Main Library

Thursday, June 11 at 7 p.m. One Thousand White Women Book Discussion Main Library

Saturday, June 13 at 9:30 a.m. Garden Clean Up South Branch

Saturday, June 13 at 12 p.m. People of the Book Book Discussion South Branch

Tuesday, June 16 at 10 a.m. A Wrongful Death Book Discussion North Branch

Tuesday, June 16 at 10:30 a.m. Zippity2Dads South Branch

Tuesday, June 16 at 2 p.m. Zippity2Dads North Branch

Wednesday, June 17 at 10 a.m. Crafts Corner South Branch

Wednesday, June 17 at 10:30 a.m. Candy Band Main Library

Thursday, June 18 at 1 p.m. CMPL presents Seven Pounds Main Library Thursday, June 18 at 1:30 p.m. Friendship Bracelets Main Library

Saturday, June 20 at 11 a.m. Tie-Dye Day South Branch

Monday, June 22 at 2 p.m. Dance, Dance Revolution Open House North Branch

> Tuesday, June 23 at 9 a.m. Sidewalk Chalk Main Library

> Tuesday, June 23 at 2 p.m. Young Rembrandts North Branch

Wednesday, June 24 at 10 a.m. Movie and Craft South Branch

Wednesday, June 24 at 2 p.m. Teen Swing Dancing Main Library

Thursday, June 25 at 10 a.m. Eric Carle's Birthday Main Library

Saturday, June 27 at 2 p.m. Xtreme Readers South Branch

Monday, June 29 at 2 p.m. Young Rembrandts South Branch

Tuesday, June 30 at 10 & 11 a.m. Toddler Crafts North Branch

July Wednesday, July 1 at 2 p.m. Sidewalk Chalk North Branch

Thursday, July 2 at 1:30 p.m. String Games Main Library

Monday, July 6 at 2 p.m. Guitar Hero World Tour Open House North Branch

> Monday, July 6 at 3 p.m. Dancin' at the Main Library Main Library

Tuesday, July 7 at 10 & 11 a.m. Lisa's Dance Party North Branch

Tuesday, July 7 at 2 p.m. Reader's Theatre Main Library



Tuesday, July 7 at 3 p.m. Teen DIY: Duct Taping South Branch

Wednesday, July 8 at 2 p.m. Craft Corner South Branch

Wednesday, July 8 at 6:30 p.m. CMPL presents *Frost/Nixon* Main Library

Thursday, July 9 at 2 p.m. CMPL presents *The Tale of Despereaux* North Branch

> Thursday, July 9 at 2 p.m. Reader's Theatre Main Library

Thursday, July 9 at 7 p.m. Tortilla Curtain Book Discussion Main Library

Saturday, July 11 at 12 p.m. The Thirteenth Tale Book Discussion South Branch

> Saturday, July 11 at 2 p.m. Pippin Puppets South Branch

Saturday, May 9 at 3:30 p.m. Chess Club Main Library

Monday, July 13 at 2 p.m. Young Rembrandts South Branch

Tuesday, July 14 at 10 & 11 a.m. Kids' Songs North Branch

Tuesday, July 14 at 2 p.m. Young Rembrandts North Branch

Tuesday, July 14 at 2 p.m. Reader's Theatre Main Library

Wednesday, July 15 at 2 p.m. Kids Jewelry Craft South Branch

Wednesday, July 15 at 2 p.m. Teen Talent Show Main Library

Thursday, July 16 at 2 p.m. Reader's Theatre Main Library

Monday, July 20 at 2 p.m. Lego Club South Branch Monday, July 20 at 3 p.m. Dancin' at the Main Library Main Library

Tuesday, July 21 at 10 a.m. Dear Irene Book Discussion North Branch

Tuesday, July 21 at 1 p.m. Storyteller Judy Sima North Branch

Tuesday, July 21 at 3 p.m. Storyteller Judy Sima Main Library

Tuesday, July 21 at 6:30 p.m. Storyteller Judy Sima South Branch

Wednesday, July 22 at 2 p.m. Craft Corner North Branch

Wednesday, July 22 at 2 p.m. Teen Jewelry Craft South Branch

Thursday, July 23 at 1 p.m. CMPL presents *Frost/Nixon* Main Library

Thursday, July 23 at 2 p.m. Teen DIY: Duct Taping Main Library

Thursday, July 23 at 6 p.m. Family Video Games South Branch

Saturday, July 25 at 2 p.m. Xtreme Readers South Branch

Saturday, July 25 at 1 p.m. Chess Club Main Library

Monday, July 27 at 2 p.m. Rock Band 2 Open House North Branch

Monday, July 27 at 2 p.m. Young Rembrandts South Branch

Tuesday, July 28 at 10 & 11 a.m. Toddler Time: Parachute Games North Branch

Thursday, July 30 at 10:30 a.m. Movie and Craft Main Library

Thursday, July 30 at 2 p.m. Craft Corner South Branch

August

Monday, August 3 at 11 a.m. Great Lakes Beadworkers Guild Main Library

Tuesday, August 4 at 2 p.m. Young Rembrandts North Branch

Wednesday, August 5 at 2 p.m. Super Smash Brother Tournament Main Library

Thursday, August 6 at 2 p.m. CMPL presents *High School Musical 3* North Branch

Thursday, August 6 at 3 p.m. eBay Training Main Library

Saturday, August 8 at 12 p.m. Bridge of Sighs Book Discussion South Branch

Tuesday, August 11 at 10:30 a.m. Joel Tacey South Branch

Tuesday, August 11 at 1 p.m. Joel Tacey Main Library

Tuesday, August 11 at 3:30 p.m. Joel Tacey North Branch

Wednesday August 12 at 6:30 p.m. CMPL presents *Emma* Main Library

Wednesday, August 12 at 2 p.m. Recycled Crafts: Disco Balls Main Library

Thursday, August 13 at 7 p.m. Heart of Darkness Book Discussion Main Library

Tuesday, August 18 at 10 a.m. Serpent Gate Book Discussion North Branch

Wednesday, August 19 at 10:30 a.m. Craft Corner Main Library

Thursday, August 20 at 1 p.m. CMPL presents *Emma* Main Library

Thursday, August 27 at 10:30 a.m. Back to School Story Time North Branch

Saturday, August 29 at 2 p.m. Xtreme Readers South Branch



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Spring Used Book Sale

Get a great deal on thousands of books! Stop by the Main Library on any of the following dates to get a great deal on classics, bestsellers, children's books and more! Please note that strollers 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, April 29 5:30-8:30 p.m. Friends Night Only

Thursday, April 30 12 p.m.-8 p.m.

Friday, May 1 and Saturday, May 2 9:30 a.m.-5 p.m.

> **Sunday, May 3** 1:15-3:15 p.m. Bag Day

Monday, May 4 9:30 a.m.-2 p.m. Free Day

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, bagging purchases and restocking books. If you help sort for an hour or more you will also receive the added

incentive of a free book. If you want to help, please stop by the Main Library at any of the following times to help:

Wednesday, April 22 & Thursday, April 23: 4-8 p.m.

Friday, April 24 & Saturday, April 25: 9:30 a.m.-2 p.m.

> Sunday, April 26: 1:15-5 p.m.