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Library Fine Increase

To encourage the timely return of library materials, CMPL will be raising overdue fees beginning January 4, 2010. Fines will increase from 15¢ a day to 25¢ a day, with a limit of \$10 per item. Late fees on video games, DVDs and CDs will remain \$1 a day. This will be the first fee increase since 1999.

You can avoid this increase by returning your materials on time. Please hold on to your receipt when checking out to keep track of your due dates. You can also register your e-mail address or phone number with us for courtesy reminders when items are coming due. However, keep in mind that the best way to ensure you know your due dates is to hang on to your checkout receipts. To be in good standing with the library and be able to check out materials, your fines cannot exceed \$5.

Thank you!

A special thank you to Nino Salvaggio in Clinton Township for donating the pumpkins for the South Branch Halloween party.

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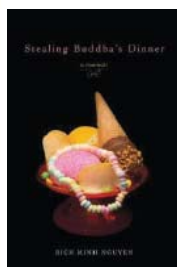
Are you a fan of audio books? Would you like to be able to download audio books from the library without ever having to leave the house? If so, we'd like to introduce you to our newest service: OverDrive Downloadable Media.



OverDrive will allow you to download audio books, music and movies to your home computer and personal listening/viewing devices. You need to be a resident of Clinton or Macomb Township, library card, a computer and Internet access.

OverDrive can be accessed through the We Recommend page at www.cmpl.org. Simply download the OverDrive Media Console, browse for available media and check out! OverDrive books are available for 7 or 14 days, while music and movies are available for 3 or 7 days. You can set the lending period based on your preferences.

The Great Michigan Read



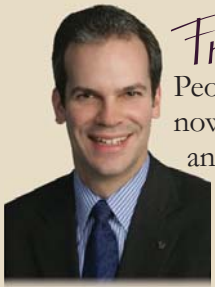
CMPL is proud to participate in this year's Great Michigan Read. It is an opportunity for everyone in the state to read and discuss the same book. This year's selection is *Stealing Buddha's Dinner* by former Michigan resident Bich Minh Ngyuen. We are hosting book discussions, a program on guilty pleasure foods and a program on genealogy in honor of the book. Read the book and join us at CMPL to explore the themes of the memoir.

Participate in the CMPL Winter Olympics!

This February all eyes will be on Vancouver, British Columbia and the Winter Olympic Games. CMPL would also like to bring a bit of the Olympic spirit to the library. Beginning **Monday, February 8 - Sunday, February 21**, we will celebrate the Olympics with special programs and contests that allow you to be a library Olympian. This is a great opportunity for all ages to get more involved in not only reading, but also events and activities at the library.



The CMPL Olympics will be structured like a bingo game. Pick up an Olympic bingo sheet at any location starting February 8. Complete any five activities and turn it in by February 21. One hundred lucky participants will win a library tote bag courtesy of the Friends of the Library. Some of the bags will include a bonus a gift card or a CMPL t-shirt. This is a great opportunity for you to learn more about the library and what we have to offer. Become a CMPL Olympian today!



From the Director...

People frequently ask me how things are going at the library and nowadays I always respond, “in a nutshell it is the best of times and the worst of times.” Fortunately the best far outweighs the worst and I thought I would share a slightly longer version of my “elevator speech” with you.

Let's start with the best of times. From a pure numbers standpoint the library is on a non-stop roll of successes. Last year witnessed the surpassing of the milestones of 100,000 active library cardholders, 375,000 items in the collection and 2,000,000 checkout transactions. Program attendance increased 25% over the past year totaling around 30,000. We continued to issue new library cards at a rate of about 1,000 every month. It seems that every area in the library is busier than ever serving more people than ever. Anyone who believed that the Internet would make a public library obsolete was seriously mistaken!

From a service standpoint this is also the best of times. In a world filled with needs and problems small and large the library holds a vast wealth of solutions and answers. Contact us in person, by phone, by fax, by e-mail, by instant messaging or by TTY and a professional librarian with a masters degree is here to assist you. Are you concerned about foreclosure? Ask for one of our free information packets filled with resources. Are you unemployed and need to use a computer to file for benefits or a new job? We've got many computers with Internet access, Microsoft Office and more. Have you discontinued your Internet access at home because of the cost? Bring your own laptop to any of our three locations and connect to the Internet free of charge. Did you retire early and now find yourself in need of a project? Give back to a community resource that can benefit every person regardless of age or income—your local public library! Wishing you had paid more attention in your algebra class and now dreading the questions from your kids when they need help with their homework? Encourage your child to connect to our online Live Home Help service through the library's website. Did you do a Google search and get 45,000 unhelpful results? Ask a librarian to help you find a handful of useful results.

Regarding the worst of times I will be brief. The library has managed its finances carefully, has a strategic plan and financial forecast that guide its direction, and has operated very efficiently through maximizing self-service, technological innovation and cost containment from day one. However 90% of the library's revenues are derived from local property tax revenue which is predicted to drop as much as 30% over the next three years. Funding from the state, while a small portion of the overall budget, was cut by 40% last year alone due to the actions of legislators in both parties of Michigan's Senate. These significant drops in revenue will present challenges in the years ahead and we are already working on ways to review priorities and adapt.

Thankfully I can end on a positive note. Due to careful management and planning the Library Board and staff are able to commit to maintaining 100% of our services through the end of 2010. Whatever the future brings we will never lose sight of the fact that we are here to serve you and provide the best library services possible with the funding provided by the citizens of Clinton and Macomb Townships. I look forward to seeing you and your family in the library in the near future.

Larry P. Neal

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Gretchen Krug, Branch Manager

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Margaret Dekovich, Branch Manager

Hours of Service

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

(*September- May, Main Library only)

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connects people of all ages to resources that
inform, educate, entertain and inspire.*

**Thanks to the residents of Clinton
and Macomb Townships whose
taxes make this library possible.**



Follow Us on Twitter!

CMPL is tweeting! Have you ever wondered what goes on “behind-the-scenes” at the library? Do you want **twitter** to get insight from staff on what we’re reading, listening to, or thinking about? Join our Twitter feed or just check in from our web site. The link to our Twitter feed can be found in the lower left corner of the web site, along with our other social networking links. Or, visit us directly at:

<http://twitter.com/CMPLTweets>

Introductory Computer Classes at Main Library

Due to the great success of the classes offered last fall, the Main Library will continue to offer 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 to the components and basic functions of a computer; **Internet Basics**, which will explain 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 you must be a Clinton or Macomb Township resident with a valid library card. Please call 226-5040, **with library card in hand**, to reserve your spot.

Library Closings

All CMPL locations will be closed on the following dates:

Friday, January 1
Sunday, April 4

Update Your Account

We notify you of holds and overdues via phone and e-mail. Please take a moment to review the contact information in your account with the library. You can review this information by signing in online. Every two years we will ask you to renew your information with us by stopping at the circulation desk. At that time we will ask you to provide your driver’s license with your current address. This also includes a parent/guardian showing proof for those under 18. We appreciate your taking the time to update your information with us.

Mango Languages

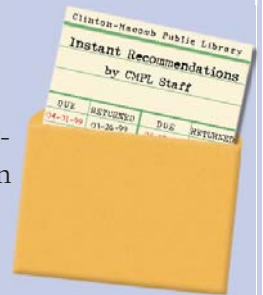
Are you taking a trip to a foreign country? Do you wish you had a few conversational skills you could use? CMPL can help! We have a new database called Mango that help you learn a foreign language right from the comfort of your home.



Mango offers tutorials in 22 different languages, plus 14 ESL modules for those learning English. In addition, it also includes pronunciation guides and questions to reinforce your learning. More detailed information about Mango can be found on page five. Check it out at the Research and Homework tab at www.cmpl.org.

What Do You Think?

The We Recommend page at www.cmpl.org offers great recommendations from all of our departments, but you can also take part in our online polls. Check out how people answered these questions:



What is your favorite Beatles tune?

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| Hey Jude | 33% |
| Can’t Buy Me Love | 26% |
| Yesterday | 26% |
| I Want to Hold Your Hand | 9% |
| Get Back | 7% |

What is your favorite “banned” book?

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| To Kill a Mockingbird | 45% |
| The Twilight series | 26% |
| The Kite Runner | 17% |
| My Sister’s Keeper | 10% |
| The Lovely Bones | 2% |

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.**

January 14: *Stealing Buddha's Dinner* by Bich Minh Nguyen

February 11: *The Memory of Running* by Ron McLarty

March 11: *Olive Kitteridge* by Elizabeth Strout

April 8: *The Help* by Kathryn Stockett

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

January 9: *Olive Kitteridge* by Elizabeth Strout

February 13: *Sarah's Key* by Tatiana de Rosnay

March 13: *Stealing Buddha's Dinner* by Bich Minh Nguyen

April 10: *The Well and the Mine* by Gin Phillips

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

January 19: *The Catch* by Archer Mayor

February 16: *Darkly Dreaming Dexter* by Jeffery Lindsay

March 16: *The Thin Man* by Dashiell Hammett

April 20: *The Winner* by David Baldacci

Museum Adventure Pass



The Museum Adventure Pass program, sponsored by Macy's, has been renewed for another year! Four new museums have been added to the program for 2010. You can now check out passes to Paint Creek Center for the Arts, Shalom Street, Troy Museum and Historic Village and University of Michigan Botanical Gardens. Visit our catalog and look up "museum pass" to see what passes we have available. You may check out one pass per library card, per week.

Finding Good Value at the Store

Well, maybe it isn't that long ago, but many of the volunteers at the Library Gift Store at Main are still taking care of your Store after six years of service. Volunteering at CMPL is a great gift to the entire library community!

The Friends of CMPL continue to provide a wide selection of used books for sale in the Store as well as at CMPL's North and South branches. Browse through classics and recent releases at bargain prices. In the Store at Main the second Friday of each month is Friendly Friday and you can enjoy an extra 50% savings on selected Friends' items.

Studying or working hard? Just have to have a flash drive, CD, pen, paper, portfolio or highlighter? The Store can provide them and get you back to your project in minutes. Don't forget the Store offers outgoing fax transmission as well as CD, DVD and videogame repair for a nominal fee. Your charge card is welcome at the Store with a minimum purchase of \$5.00.

The Library Gift Store is open Monday and Tuesday from 10 a.m.-8 p.m. and Wednesday through Saturday from 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

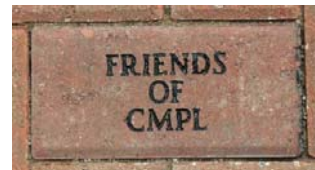
The Library Gift Store at CMPL
Another Excellent Selection In Your Library Collection!

Clip this coupon for a
15% discount at your
CMPL Gift Store through 04/30/10

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

Brick Pavers

Get your personalized CMPL brick paver now! Pavers are \$100 and are a lovely way to celebrate a graduation, anniversary, birthday or other special occasion. Become a lasting part of the Main Library by personalizing a brick paver for yourself 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>.



Online Resources Uncovered

Situation: Have you finally booked that dream vacation to Italy? The plan may have been to learn Italian before you take the voyage with the help of books and audio books, but now you find that you are not retaining the new language skills as quickly as you would like and you are looking for conversation practice before the trip.



Solution: The CMPL electronic resource collection provides access to additional, interactive language-learning software called Mango Languages. This online language-learning system can help all levels of language learners improve conversational skills using vocabulary and grammar to teach real-life sentences. Mango Languages offers a variety of courses including Brazilian Portuguese, Spanish, Japanese, French, German, Italian, Greek, Russian, and Mandarin Chinese. The software also supports English as Second Language students for Polish, Spanish and Brazilian Portuguese, making this an alternative resource to supplement a language student's learning process. In addition to the courses, users can use the translator tool to quickly transform English phrases to the language of their choice. This database is available to residents of Clinton and Macomb Townships.

How to Use It: To access this resource go to www.cmpl.org and click on the Research and Homework tab. Select Literature & Languages from the list on the left side of the screen, and then select Mango Languages. You will have the option to create a profile to help track your progress or you can immediately begin using Mango Languages without creating a profile.

Volunteer Gardeners Wanted

Do you like gardening and plants? Are you looking for a chance to get outdoors? Do you need community service hours for a Master Gardening program or school credit? If so, why not become a CMPL garden volunteer? We are looking for people interested in assisting us with the gardens at the Main Library and South Branch.

If you'd like to learn more about becoming a garden volunteer, attend an informational meeting at the **Main Library** on **Thursday, May 13** at **7 p.m.** **Registration begins April 19.** Please call Carole at 226-5003 to register.

Cinema



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, January 13 at **6:30 p.m.** and **Thursday, January 21** at **1 p.m.:** *The Proposal*. When high-powered editor Margaret faces deportation to Canada, she fakes an engagement to her put-upon assistant Andrew, whom she's tormented for years. He agrees to participate but says she must meet his quirky Alaskan family where Margaret is a true fish-out-of-water in this romantic comedy. *Rated PG-13, 108 minutes.*

Wednesday, February 10 at **6:30 p.m.** and **Thursday, February 18** at **1 p.m.:** *Julie and Julia*. Julie Powell is a woman frustrated in a temp secretary job when she takes on a year-long culinary quest: cook all 524 recipes in Julia Child's *Mastering the Art of French Cooking*. She chronicles her trials and tribulations in a blog that catches on with the food crowd. This film follows both women who, while separated by time and space, discover that with the right combination of passion, fearlessness and butter, anything is possible. *Rated PG-13, 123 minutes.*

Wednesday, March 10 at **6:30 p.m.** and **Thursday, March 18** at **1 p.m.:** *Star Trek*. In this prequel, we meet James T. Kirk, Spock, Bones, Uhura and the rest of group who will become the famed crew of the Enterprise. This film follows the early days and struggles of the team on their first mission out of Starfleet Academy. *Rated PG-13, 126 minutes.*

Wednesday, April 14 at **6:30 p.m.** and **Thursday, April 15** at **1 p.m.:** *The Taking of Pelham 123*. Armed men hijack a New York City subway train holding the passengers hostage in return for a ransom. They negotiate with dispatcher Walter Garber who has much experience routing trains, but has no experience with hostage negotiating. They threaten to shoot a passenger each minute until a million dollar ransom is paid in this intense thriller. *Rated-R, 121 minutes.*



Winter Reading Club

Come in from the cold and join our Reading Wonderland winter reading program! Kids through grade 6 are invited to pick up a Reading Wonderland BINGO form at any CMPL location between January 4 and February 27. Complete five activities across, down or diagonally and bring your form back to the library to pick a prize from our treasure chest. Participate as many times as you wish, but all forms are due February 27. A grand prize drawing will be held at the end of the program from all entries submitted.

Mad Science

Want to see scissors sizzle or a ball suspended in the air? Then join us on **Monday, January 18** for Mad Science's presentation "Fire & Ice". During this interactive program you will discover the cool chemistry in the states of matter and learn the basics of air pressure. This program is for children ages 6 to 12. They will be at the **South Branch** at **11 a.m.** and at the **North Branch** at **2 p.m.** **Registration begins January 4.**

Winter Olympics

Get pumped up for the Library Olympics at the **North Branch** on **Saturday, February 13** at **2 p.m.** Make team flags, play indoor sports, and create Olympic medals. This program is for ages 5-10. **Registration begins January 30.**

Band Hero

Play Band Hero at the **North Branch** on **Tuesday, February 16** at **2 p.m.** This program is for kids in grades 3-6. **Registration begins on February 2.**

Preschool Fair

Will your child be heading off to preschool next fall? How do you decide which preschool program is best for your child? CMPL wants to help you with this important decision. On **Saturday, January 16** from **1 to 4 p.m.** the library will host a preschool fair. More than a dozen area preschools will have displays showcasing their programs and a representative to answer questions. Come by any time during the afternoon to learn more about these schools.

Valentine Scavenger Hunt

For some Valentine fun, stop by the **North Branch** **February 8-13** and count the hearts in our Valentine's Scavenger Hunt.

Pick up an entry form and directions at the North Branch Information Desk.

Dancin' at Main

Kick up your heels and dance with your little ones at the **Main Library**. Children ages 2 to 4 will be the stars during this 30 minutes of non-stop dancing. Come at either **10 a.m.** or **11 a.m.** on the following **Monday: January 11, February 22, and March 15.** **Registration is required two weeks prior to each event.**

South Branch Dance Party

Come celebrate the first week of spring at the **South Branch** with music and movement on **Tuesday, March 23** at **9:30 a.m.** and **10:30 a.m.** **Registration begins Tuesday, March 9.**

Fancy Nancy Tea Party

Dust off your most fabulous tiara and grab your best boa! The **South Branch** invites you to a very fancy tea party on **Saturday, February 20** at **2 p.m.** **Registration is required and begins Saturday, February 6.** Fancy dress is encouraged.



Preschool Crafts

Join Miss Kara for fun preschool crafts at the **North Branch** on **Wednesday, March 10** at **10:30 a.m.** This program is for ages 3-6. **Registration begins on February 24.**

Parachute Games

Bring your little one to play some fun games with the parachute at the **North Branch** on **Tuesday, March 2** at **10 a.m.** **Registration begins February 16.** This program is for children ages 2-4.



Teddy Bear Picnic

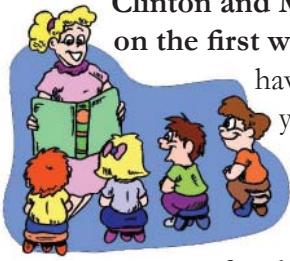
Head on up to the **North Branch** with your teddy bear for our Teddy Bear Picnic on **Thursday, March 11** at **10:30 a.m.** Join us for stories, songs, and activities for you and your teddy bear. Teddy bears or other stuffed toys are welcome. This program is for ages 2-5. **Registration begins on February 25.**

Bedtime stories

Children ages 0 to 5 are invited to put on their jammies and come to the **Main Library** for bedtime stories at **6:30 p.m.** on the following **Thursdays: January 21, February 18, March 18, and April 15.** **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. **Priority will be given to Clinton and Macomb Township residents on the first week of registration.** Please



have your library card ready when you register. Any remaining openings will be filled on a first-come basis. 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.

Winter session begins the week of January 18 through February 18. Registration begins January 4. The Spring session begins the week of April 19 through May 20. Registration begins April 5. *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 9:30 a.m. (2 - 3 years) **New time!**
Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m. (3 - 5 years) **New time!**

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.

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| 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 required.** Baby Play Time will be held on **Mondays** at **10 a.m.** at the **North Branch** during the weeks of story times. Special baby play times will also be held on **Monday, March 8** and **Monday, March 29**.



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.**: **January 11, January 25, February 8, February 22, March 8, March 22, April 12** and **April 26**.

Dogs will also be at the **Main Library** at **6:30 p.m.** on the following **Wednesdays**: **January 6, February 3, March 3** and **April 7**.



PAWS dogs will be at the **North Branch** on the following **Tuesdays** at **6:30 p.m.**: **January 5, 19, February 2, 16, March 2, 16, April 6** and **20**.

Moose will visit the **South Branch** on **Saturday, January 23** at **2 p.m.** Hattie will visit on **Wednesday, February 10** at **7 p.m.** PAWS dogs will also visit on the following **Mondays** at **6:30 p.m.**: **February 22, March 15** and **April 12**.

Share Fun, Not Germs

With cold and flu season upon us, we'd like to remind you that if you are sick, please consider the health of others and skip story time or other activities until you are well.

Flat Stanley

Flat Stanley is coming to CMPL. Pick up your Flat Stanley at the **Main Library** or **North Branch**. Take him with you on vacation, on an outing with your family, on a field trip, or any other fun place you visit! Take a picture of Flat Stanley and send it to us along with our Flat Stanley form that tells us where he is and what he is doing. Watch the Main Library, the North Branch, and www.cmpl.org for updates on where Flat Stanley has been. CMPL's Flat Stanley Program will be running through May 8.



Alice in Wonderland Scavenger Hunt

Go down the rabbit hole at the **North Branch** in our Alice in Wonderland Scavenger Hunt between **March 1-13**. Entry forms and directions will be available at the North Branch Information Desk, beginning March 1. While anyone can play, only kids ages 4-12 can win prizes.

Seussabration

Join us at the **South Branch** on **Wednesday, March 3 at 6:30 p.m.** for our annual celebration of the birthday of Dr. Seuss. The Cat in the Hat will visit the library to read stories, which will be followed by crafts and refreshments. **Registration begins February 17** for ages 3 and up.

Get Wild About Books

Tuesday, March 2 is Dr. Seuss' birthday. Children ages 3 to 5 are invited to celebrate at the **Main Library** by watching the movie version of *Wild About Books* by Judy Sierra and making a simple craft. The fun begins at **10 a.m.** The movie is only 8 minutes long so get here on time! **Registration begins February 16.**

Second Saturdays @ Main

Join us at the **Main Library** each month for a special program. All program will begin at **10:30 a.m.** **Please note if registration is required.**

Saturday, January 9: Join us for Frosty's Birthday Party. Entertainer Rick Morse will delight the audience with his special brand of magic while we wait for Frosty to arrive. This program is for children ages 2 1/2 to 7. **Registration begins December 26.**

Saturday, February 13: a2magic will dazzle the audience with his sleight of hand and other amazing tricks. You will leave wondering "how does magician Jeff Wawrzaszek do that?" This family friendly program is open to the public.

Saturday, March 13: Young Rembrandts will offer a General Cartooning class for budding artists. Children ages 6-12 can learn the basics of creating cartoon characters. **Registration begins on February 27.**

Saturday, April 10: Musician Kevin Devine will have your fingers snapping and toes tapping. The young and young at heart will enjoy new songs and old favorites. This program is open to the public.

Movie Matinees at Main

Visit the **Main Library** for movies! Popcorn will be provided and you may bring something to drink in closed containers. **Please register two weeks before each date.**



Monday, February 15 at 2:30 p.m.
Hotel for Dogs (PG, 100 min.)

Monday, April 5 at 2:30 p.m.
Coraline (PG, 100 min.)

Toddler Crafts

Come out to the **North Branch** for Toddler Crafts on **Tuesday, March 16 at 10 a.m.** This program is for ages 2-4. **Registration begins March 2.**

Crafting

We're opening our craft cupboard for an hour of fun projects. Join the **South Branch** on **Wednesday, March 31 at 10 a.m.** **Registration begins Wednesday, March 17.**

Lego Club

Bring your own Legos to the library for fun. No kits or Technic Legos allowed. This program is for ages 6-12. *The Main Library limits registration to residents of Clinton and Macomb Townships.* **Registration is required and begins two weeks prior to each program.**



Main Library:

Saturday, January 30 at 10 a.m.
Saturday, February 27 at 10 a.m.
Saturday, March 27 at 10 a.m.

North Branch:

Thursday, February 18 at 2 p.m.

South Branch:

Saturday, February 6 at 2 p.m.
Saturday, March 6 at 2 p.m.
Monday, April 5 at 2 p.m.

Young Rembrandts

The **North Branch** welcomes the Young Rembrandts on **Saturday, March 13 at 2 p.m.** Children ages 7-12 are invited to make art at the library. **Registration begins February 27.**



Toddler Art

Help us create a giant caterpillar mural with a wide variety of art supplies at the **North Branch** on **Thursday, March 25 at 10 a.m.** This event is for ages 2-4. **Registration begins March 11.**

Kidlitt at Main

Join the Kidlitt book discussion at the Main Library! Please come and have some snacks, and discuss one or all of the following books. Please also remember that if any of these books are too difficult for your child to read independently, you can read along or to your children. Because there are a limited number of books, **participants must come into the Main Library, Youth Services desk to register.**

Thursday, January 21 from **6:30-7:30 p.m.**

The Moffats by Eleanor Estes. **Registration and book pickup begins December 17.**

Thursday, February 18 from **6:30-7:30 p.m.**

The Bears on Hemlock Mountain by Alice Dalgliesh. **Registration and book pickup begins January 21.**

Thursday, March 18 from **6:30-7:30 p.m.**

Mr. Chickee's Funny Money by Christopher Paul Curtis. **Registration and book pickup begins February 18.**

Xtreme Readers

The South Branch sponsors a book discussion group for children ages 7-11. Children who participate get to keep a copy of the book. The program is sponsored by a generous donation from the new Walmart store in Clinton Township. **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:

January 30 - *Three Cups of Tea* by Greg Mortenson

February 27 - *The Gollywhopper Games* by Jody Feldman

March 27 - *The Maze of Bones* by Rick Riordan

April 24 - Visit the South Branch for the title

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 five 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 kid-sread@cmpl.org. The five books for winter/spring are:

Superfudge by Judy Blume

Frindle by Andrew Clements

Number the Stars by Lois Lowry

The Lightning Thief by Rick Riordan

A Crooked Kind of Perfect by Linda Urban

Scout tours

In recognition of "March is Reading Month" the Main Library's children's department will be offering tours for Scout groups from Clinton or Macomb Township. Choose from one of the following dates: **Monday, March 1, Tuesday, March 9, Wednesday, March 17** or **Thursday, March 25**. All tours begin at **6:30 p.m.** Please call 586-226-5030 for more information or to register your scout group for a tour.



Puppet show

The story "Puss in Boots" will be presented by Rick Morse Puppets at the **South Branch** on **Saturday, April 17** at **11 a.m.** This classical story is sure to delight children ages 3 to 9. **Registration begins April 3.**

Lisa's Dance Party

This popular program is back for toddlers 2-4 years old. Join Mrs. Lisa at the **North Branch** on **Tuesday, April 13** at **10 a.m.** for some jumping, spinning, and other dancing fun! **Registration begins on March 30.**

Magic at the North Branch



Prepare to be mystified as Jeff Wawrzaszek of a2magic casts his magical spell at the **North Branch** on **Tuesday, April 6** at **2 p.m.** He will make objects disappear into thin air during this family friendly program. **Registration begins March 23.**

Stacking

How fast can you stack your cups? Children ages 8 to 12 will have a chance to practice and compete with one another in Speed Stacks. This program will begin at **1 p.m.** at the **Main Library** on **Saturday, April 17**. **Registration begins on April 3.**

Bunny Hop

Hop into Spring at the **Main Library's** Bunny Hop on **Wednesday, April 14** at **10:30 a.m.** Children ages 3 to 6 are invited to come hear some bunny stories, make their own rabbit ears, and bunny hop all around. **Registration begins March 31.**



Happy Birthday Club



Don't forget that during the month of your child's first, second, third or fourth birthday to bring him or her to the library for a special book. This program is made possible through a grant from Great Parents – Macomb

AWE Stations

The Main Library is happy to announce the arrival of two new Early Literacy Stations (ELS) stations in the Children's Computer Port. Our old stations were very well-loved and we are pleased to be able to offer two more new stations for young children. The ELS are not connected to the Internet and include age-appropriate, engaging, academically relevant programs for children. The colorful keyboard and mouse also promote easy learning and discovery. The software loaded on the ELS cover reading, math, science, social studies, writing, art and music and reference. Visit the Children's Computer Port at the Main Library to try them out!



Two Million Items Circulated!

Were you a part of our 2 million milestone? CMPL reached a milestone on November 22, 2009. We circulated 2 million items in the 2008-2009 fiscal year! If you checked out an item from the library in the last year you were part of a group that saved over \$36 million by checking out these materials which include books, DVDs, video games, audio books and more.

"We're thrilled with our 2008-09 circulation figures," said Library Director Larry Neal. "Our circulation staff has done an excellent job of keeping up with a circulation of almost 170,000 items every month."



The circulation numbers at the library have steadily risen over the years, but the two million mark represents another milestone for the library. "We've seen an increase in usage over the last year," Neal added. "We've seen people visit us to check out materials, search for jobs and attend programs. With all the talk of the Internet and Google replacing libraries, I think these numbers show that the library is a gathering place that still provides an important service to the community."

In addition to staggering circulation figures, the library also saw an increase in program attendance in 2009. Program attendance was up 24.5% from 2008. We're looking forward to seeing you in 2010 and making it our most successful year to date!



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 want to help, please stop by the Main Library at any of the following times to help:



Wednesday, April 21 & Thursday, April 22:
4-8 p.m.

Friday, April 23 & Saturday, April 24:
9:30 a.m.-2 p.m.

Sunday, April 25:
1:15-5 p.m.

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 28
5:30-8:30 p.m.
Friends Night Only

Thursday, April 29
12 p.m.-8 p.m.

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

Sunday, May 2
1:15-3:15 p.m.
Bag Day

Monday, May 3
9:30 a.m.-2 p.m.
Free Day

Young Adult The Edge

2009 – 2010 Teen Advisory Council

The Teen Advisory Council provides teen program ideas and feedback to the library. 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, January 20

Wednesday, February 17

Wednesday, March 17

Wednesday, April 14

Swing Dancing Workshop

Teens, 13 and up are invited to learn the basics of Swing Dancing once a month at the **Main Library** at **4 p.m.** Lessons will be given on the following dates: **January 13, February 10, March 10** and **April 7**. DJ Sam Johnson will be back in May to show us more swing techniques, check the library's events calendar this spring. No previous experience needed, but please wear comfortable clothing. **Register two weeks before each date.**

TeenArt

Calling all artistic and crafty teens! Come to the **Main Library** to create and learn new skills. We will meet once a month in the Children's Activity Room at **2:30 p.m.** We will provide all the necessary supplies. **Please register two weeks before each date.**

January 9: Scrapbooking – design homemade gift tags or a polished page layout

February 6: Crochet Creations – learn basic crochet techniques

March 6: Bento – make food art with Japanese Bento techniques

April 3: Duct Tape DIY – learn techniques from a master duct taper

Super Smash Brothers Brawl Tournament

The CMPL TAC will host a SSBB tournament for teens, grades 6-12 in the **Main Library** auditorium on **Friday, March 12** from **3–6 p.m.** or until we have determined a winner. A prize will be awarded to the top finisher and refreshments will be served. Please check the Teen Gaming Open House dates to practice for the tournament. **Registration begins Friday, February 26.**

Teen Program Reminder

All programs are for students 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.

Gaming Open Houses

The Teen Advisory Council will host gaming for teens, grades 6-12 only. We will have two Nintendo Wiis and an X-Box 360 set up along with board games available to play. **No registration required.** Open gaming will be held at the Main Library in the auditorium from **3–5 p.m.** on the following **Fridays: January 22, February 19, March 19** and **April 16.**

CMPLTeen Reads

Teens, grades 6 -12 are invited to a new book discussion group at the **Main Library**. We will meet in Conference Room C once a month to talk about books. Each month we will focus on a different genre instead of reading a specific title. You can read as many books as you would like or just one, it's up to you. We will have refreshments, of course and if you need any book ideas, check out the Lists We Love on the Young Adult Recommendations page or fill out a Ten in 10 application also available at www.cmpl.org. **Please register two weeks before each meeting date.**

January 7 at **4 p.m.** – Fantasy

February 4 at **4 p.m.** – Realistic Fiction

March 4 at **4 p.m.** – Mystery/Thriller

April 1 at **4 p.m.** – Science Fiction

Pizza and Paperbacks

We're pleased to announce a brand new dinner and discussion book club at the South Branch! Readers aged 12-15 will receive a free copy of the book to be discussed, and meet once a month at **4 p.m.** to grab a slice and discuss what we loved and hated. No papers, no notes, just lively discussion about some great books. What could be better? You will receive your copy of the book upon registration, which must be done in-person at the South Branch. **Registration for the first meeting begins December 20.**



Friday, January 22- *The Disreputable History of Frankie Landau Banks* by E. Lockhart

Friday, February 12- *The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian* by Sherman Alexie

Friday, March 26- *The Hunger Games* by Suzanne Collins



Adult Programs

Preserving Martin Luther King's Legacy

Jocelyn Benson, a law professor at Wayne State University, will visit the **Main Library** on **Monday, January 18** at **2 p.m.** to give a presentation entitled, "Preserving Martin Luther King's Legacy." Benson will be speaking about the legacy of King's work to promote the political empowerment of disenfranchised communities. Her talk will focus on our ongoing collective responsibility to continue his vision of protecting access to the electoral process for all citizens. **Registration begins January 3.** Call 226-5040 or visit the What's Happening page at www.cmpl.org to register.



Job Help Workshop



Job searching, preparing a resume, and interviewing can be an overwhelming job in itself. Please join us at the **South Branch** on **Saturday, January 16** from **11 a.m.-1 p.m.** or the **Main Library** on **Saturday, February 20** from **11 a.m.-1 p.m.** for tips on searching the web for jobs presented

by a Human Resources and Management instructor, using an employer's perspective along with resume writing and interviewing tips. Please call 226-5073 to register at the South Branch. Call 226-5040 to register at the Main Library or visit www.cmpl.org. **Registration begins January 2.**

United States Census 2010

Every ten years the United States government is required to count all of the people in the country. On **Wednesday, February 3** at **2 p.m.** Terry Hood-Campion, Census Partner Specialist for Macomb County, will visit the **Main Library** to present the hows and whys of the U.S. Census. She will also be on hand to answer any questions you may have about the census. **Registration begins January 20.** Call 226-5040 or visit the What's Happening page at www.cmpl.org to register.



IT'S IN OUR HANDS

The Chase and Capture of John Wilkes Booth

Join historian and storyteller Jerry Zaetta at the **Main Library** on **Tuesday, February 9** at **6:30 p.m.** for a night of Lincoln assassination history. Follow assassin John Wilkes Booth from Washington, D.C. on his 12-day flight through Maryland to Virginia where he was finally shot and killed in Bowling Green.



Hear the stories and meet the sometimes strange and interesting people Booth met during his flight through the swamps and countryside. Learn about Dr. Mudd, the doctor that set Booth's leg, and decide for yourself whether he was involved in the assassination plot. **Registration begins January 26.** Call 226-5040 or visit the What's Happening page at www.cmpl.org to register.

Introduction to Downloading Audio Books

Did you get an MP3 player, or other personal listening device for Christmas? Would you like to learn more about how to use CMPL's new downloadable audio book system? Come to the **Main Library** on **Tuesday, January 26** at **2 p.m.** to get a walk-through the process.



This program is for Clinton and Macomb Township residents with a home computer and Internet access, which are required to download audio books. We will be raffling off one personal listening device to a lucky winner who attends the program. **Registration is required and begins January 12.** Call 226-5050 or visit the What's Happening page at www.cmpl.org to register.



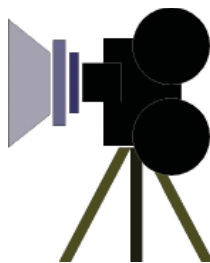
The Rise of the Great Museum

Learn more about the Detroit Institute of Arts on **Tuesday, February 2** at **7 p.m.** at the **Main Library**. Take a historical journey through the DIA from its ambitious beginnings to its present status as one of the world's premier fine arts museums. **Registration begins January 19.** Call 226-5040 or visit the What's Happening page at www.cmpl.org to register.



The Winter Olympic Movie Triathlon

Test your memory by coming to the **Main Library** to view three winter Olympic-themed movies. Take a 10-question quiz after each film and at the end, you could win a prize in the Winter Olympic Movie Triathlon. The films are free and open to all ages. You do not have to participate in the trivia quiz to attend this event. **No registration is required.**



Monday, February 8 at 2 p.m.

Cool Runnings (Rated PG, 97 mins.)

Thursday, February 11 at 2 p.m.

Miracle (Rated PG, 130 mins.)

Tuesday, February 16 at 2 p.m.

The Cutting Edge (Rated PG, 101 mins.)

Living Through The Great Depression

The Lorenzo Cultural Center's upcoming series, *And Still They Prospered: Living Through the Great Depression*, takes a look at the inspiring stories that carried people through one of the country's darkest decades. The program series runs from February 27 through May 8, 2010, exploring not only the context of the financial collapse, national political landscape and leadership, but also focusing on the local stories of ingenuity, courage, creativity and compassion that helped Americans transcend the Great Depression. Before you visit the exhibition at the Lorenzo Cultural Center, visit the **Main Library** on **Tuesday, March 23 at 2 p.m.** for a documentary on Surviving the Dust Bowl. **Registration begins March 9.** Call 226-5040 or visit the Events page at www.cmpl.org to register.

Looking for a Good Read?

Are you looking for a good book to read, movie to watch or CD to listen to? CMPL provides a variety of recommendations to help you find something good to check out. Our web site provides many suggestions, from the What We're Reading Blog on the homepage, to the We Recommend tab. You have access to lists of staff picks, critics picks and even fellow patron picks. Plus, if you're looking for good read-alikes, the We Recommend page has lists of great options. Check it out today.



The Great MI Read: Guilty Pleasure Foods

In the book *Stealing Buddha's Dinner*, this year's Great Michigan Read selection, the main character comes to America and soon

begins to crave the junk food that surrounds her. In honor of The Great Michigan Read, we will welcome back Fran from Pamela's Catering to demonstrate how to make your



favorite guilty pleasure foods. Get recipes and take the opportunity to sample guilty pleasure foods this **March** at the **Main Library**. Please be on the lookout for the exact date and time on library bulletin boards and the online events calendar at www.cmpl.org.

Introduction to Genealogy

Visit the **Main Library** on **Thursday, March 11 at 7 p.m.** to learn more about your family history. In the book *Stealing Buddha's Dinner*, the author's family is lucky enough to stay together when they come to America from Vietnam. However, many immigrants were scattered throughout the U.S. when they emigrated to America. The year 2010 is also the year of the U.S. Census, which is a wonderful resource for genealogists. Learn how to track down your relatives and expand your family tree in this program. **Registration begins February 25.** Call 226-5040 or visit the What's Happening page at www.cmpl.org to register.



Social Networking 101

Are you an adult who is confused by the online world of social networking? Would you like to connect and reconnect with friends and family online, but you're unsure of how to do it? Come learn about different social networking sites on **Thursday, April 8 at 2 p.m.** at the **Main Library**.



We will explain how to use Facebook, Twitter, YouTube and Flickr in a way that is easy to understand. You will leave with enough information to go home and start your own account. A home computer, Internet access, an e-mail address and an interest in starting an account on at least one of the four listed sites is encouraged for those attending the program.

CALENDAR of EVENTS

January

January 1

CLOSED for New Year's Day
All CMPL locations

Thursday, January 7 at 4 p.m.
CMPL Teen Reads
Main Library

Saturday, January 9 at 10:30 a.m.
Second Saturday: Frosty's Birthday
Main Library

Saturday, January 9 at 12 p.m.
Olive Kitteridge Book Discussion
South Branch

Saturday, January 9 at 2:30 p.m.
Teen Art: Scrapbooking
Main Library

Monday, January 11 at 10 or 11 a.m.
Dancing at Main
Main Library

Wednesday, January 13 at 4 p.m.
Teen Swing Dancing
Main Library

Wednesday, January 13 at 6:30 p.m.
CMPL presents *The Proposal*
Main Library

Thursday, January 14 at 7 p.m.
Stealing Buddha's Dinner Book Discussion
Main Library

Saturday, January 16 at 11 a.m.
Job Help Workshop
South Branch

Saturday, January 16 at 1 p.m.
Preschool Fair
Main Library

Sunday, January 17 at 2 p.m.
Music at Main: *Ivybrooke Strings*
Main Library

Monday, January 18 at 11 a.m.
Mad Science
South Branch

Monday, January 18 at 2 p.m.
Preserving Martin Luther King's Legacy
Main Library

Monday, January 18 at 2 p.m.
Mad Science
North Branch

Tuesday, January 19 at 10 a.m.
The Catch Book Discussion
North Branch

Wednesday, January 20 at 4 p.m.
TAC Meeting
Main Library

Thursday, January 21 at 1 p.m.
CMPL presents *The Proposal*
Main Library

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

Friday, January 22 at 3 p.m.
Teen Gaming Open House
Main Library

Friday, January 22 at 4 p.m.
Teen Pizza and Paperbacks
South Branch

Tuesday, January 26 at 2 p.m.
Introduction to Overdrive
Main Library

Saturday, January 30 at 10 a.m.
Lego Club
Main Library

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

February

Tuesday, February 2 at 7 p.m.
The Rise of the Great Museum
Main Library

Wednesday, February 3 at 2 p.m.
The U.S. Census
Main Library

Thursday, February 4 at 4 p.m.
CMPL Teen Reads
Main Library

Saturday, February 6 at 2 p.m.
Lego Club
South Branch

Saturday, February 6 at 2:30 p.m.
Teen Art: Crochet
Main Library

Monday, February 8 at 2 p.m.
CMPL presents *Cool Runnings*
Main Library

Tuesday, February 9 at 6:30 p.m.
Capture of John Wilkes Booth
Main Library

Wednesday, February 10 at 4 p.m.
Teen Swing Dancing
Main Library

Wednesday, February 10 at 6:30 p.m.
CMPL presents *Julie and Julia*
Main Library

Thursday, February 11 at 2 p.m.
CMPL presents *Miracle*
Main Library

Thursday, February 11 at 6:30 p.m.
The Memory of Running Book Discussion
Main Library

Friday, February 12 at 4 p.m.
Teen Pizza and Paperbacks
South Branch

Saturday, February 13 at 10:30 a.m.
Second Saturday: a2magic
Main Library

Saturday, February 13 at 12 p.m.
Sarah's Key Book Discussion
South Branch

Saturday, February 13 at 2 p.m.
Winter Olympics
North Branch

Monday, February 15 at 2:30 p.m.
CMPL presents Hotel for Dogs
Main Library

Tuesday, February 16 at 10 a.m.
Darkly Dreaming Dexter Book Discussion
North Branch

Tuesday, February 16 at 2 p.m.
CMPL presents *The Cutting Edge*
Main Library

Tuesday, February 16 at 2 p.m.
Band Hero
North Branch

Wednesday, February 17 at 4 p.m.
TAC Meeting
Main Library

Thursday, February 18 at 1 p.m.
CMPL presents *Julie and Julia*
Main Library

Thursday, February 18 at 2 p.m.
Lego Club
North Branch

Thursday, February 18 at 6:30 p.m.
Kiddlitt
Main Library

Friday, February 19 at 3 p.m.
Teen Gaming Open House
Main Library

Saturday, February 20 at 11 a.m.
Job Help Workshop
Main Library

Saturday, February 20 at 2 p.m.
Fancy Nancy Tea Party
South Branch

Sunday, February 21 at 2 p.m.
Music at Main: *Michael Davis & Friends*
Main Library

Monday, February 22 at 10 or 11 a.m.
Dancing at Main
Main Library

Saturday, February 27 at 10 a.m.
Lego Club
Main Library

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

March

Tuesday, March 2 at 10 a.m.
Parachute Games
North Branch

Tuesday, March 2 at 10 a.m.
Wild About Books
Main Library

Wednesday, March 3 at 6:30 p.m.
Seussabration
South Branch

Thursday, March 4 at 4 p.m.
CMPL Teen Reads
Main Library

Saturday, March 6 at 2 p.m.
Lego Club
South Branch

Saturday, March 6 at 2:30 p.m.
Teen Art: Bento
Main Library

Wednesday, March 10 at 10:30 a.m.
Preschool Crafts
North Branch

Wednesday, March 10 at 4 p.m.
Teen Swing Dancing
Main Library

Wednesday, March 10 at 6:30 p.m.
CMPL presents *Star Trek*
Main Library

Thursday, March 11 at 10:30 a.m.
Teddy Bear Picnic
North Branch

Thursday, March 11 at 7 p.m.
Introduction to Genealogy
Main Library

Thursday, March 11 at 7 p.m.
Olive Kitteridge Book Discussion
Main Library

Friday, March 12 at 3 p.m.
Teen SSBB Tournament
Main Library

Saturday, March 13 at 10:30 a.m.
Second Saturday: Young Rembrandts
Main Library

Saturday, March 13 at 12 p.m.
Stealing Buddha's Dinner Book Discussion
South Branch

Saturday, March 13 at 2 p.m.
Young Rembrandts
North Branch

Monday, March 15 at 10 or 11 a.m.
Dancing at Main
Main Library

Tuesday, March 16 at 10 a.m.
The Thin Man Book Discussion
North Branch

Wednesday, March 17 at 4 p.m.
TAC Meeting
Main Library

Thursday, March 18 at 1 p.m.
CMPL presents *Star Trek*
Main Library

Thursday, March 18 at 6:30 p.m.
Kiddlitt
Main Library

Friday, March 19 at 3 p.m.
Teen Gaming Open House
Main Library

Sunday, March 21 at 2 p.m.
Music at Main: *Fimarra's Wren*
Main Library

**Tuesday, March 23 at 9:30 a.m.
& 10:30 a.m.**
South Branch Dance Party
South Branch

Tuesday, March 23 at 2 p.m.
Great Depression Documentary
Main Library

Thursday, March 25 at 10 a.m.
Toddler Art
North Branch

Friday, March 26 at 4 p.m.
Teen Pizza and Paperbacks
South Branch

Saturday, March 27 at 10 a.m.
Lego Club
Main Library

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

Wednesday, March 31 at 10 a.m.
Crafting
South Branch

April

Thursday, April 1 at 4 p.m.
CMPL Teen Reads
Main Library

Saturday, April 3 at 2:30 p.m.
Teen Art: Duct Tape
Main Library

Sunday, April 4
CLOSED for Easter
All CMPL locations

Saturday, April 5 at 2 p.m.
Lego Club
South Branch

Monday, April 5 at 2:30 p.m.
CMPL presents *Coraline*
Main Library

Tuesday, April 6 at 2 p.m.
a2magic
North Branch

Wednesday, April 7 at 4 p.m.
Teen Swing Dancing
Main Library

Thursday, April 8 at 2 p.m.
Introduction to Social Networks
Main Library

Thursday, April 8 at 7 p.m.
The Help Book Discussion
Main Library

Saturday, April 10 at 10:30 a.m.
Second Saturday: Kevin Devine
Main Library

Saturday, April 10 at 12 p.m.
The Well and the Mine Book Discussion
South Branch

Tuesday, April 13 at 10 a.m.
Lisa's Dance Party
North Branch

Wednesday, April 14 at 10:30 a.m.
Bunny Hop
Main Library

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

Wednesday, April 14 at 6:30 p.m.
CMPL presents *Taking of Pelham 123*
Main Library

Thursday, April 15 at 1 p.m.
CMPL presents *Taking of Pelham 123*
Main Library

Friday, April 16 at 3 p.m.
Teen Gaming Open House
Main Library

Saturday, April 17 at 11 a.m.
Puppet Show
South Branch

Saturday, April 17 at 1 p.m.
Stacking
Main Library

Sunday, April 18 at 2 p.m.
Music at Main: The Ramblers
Main Library

Tuesday, April 20 at 10 a.m.
The Winner Book Discussion
North Branch

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

Wednesday, April 28 - Sunday, May 2
Used Book Sale
Main Library



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The Friends of the Library continue to support 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. Mini-used book sales will take place from **1:30-3:30 p.m.** on concert days outside of the auditorium.

Sunday, January 17 at 2 p.m.: *Ivybrooke Strings*. This piano trio (piano, violin & cello) offers the mellow sound of pop, jazz standards and contemporary easy-listening music.

Sunday, February 21 at 2 p.m.: *Michael Davis and Friends*. This three-piece group will present a showcase that presents popular songs that spans from the 1930's through 1990's, including Motown hits.

Sunday, March 21 at 2 p.m.: *Finvarra's Wren*. This powerful five piece, Detroit, Michigan-based Irish band plays invigorating Irish, Scottish and Celtic-American folk music. Traditional and contemporary songs are punctuated with wonderfully inventive arrangements of jigs, reels and horn-pipes.

Sunday, April 18 at 2 p.m.: *The Ramblers* will visit the Main Library to share a blend of swing and ballads. They even play some great old standards that will be sure to delight.



Michael Davis and Friends:
February 21



Finvarra's Wren: March 21