

Clinton-Macomb Public Library

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Story Corner

Coming soon to the Children's Activity Room at the Main Library...a space where children and parents or caregivers can share stories. You can explore the storyline with books, flannel boards and more. You can also use your imagination to create your own stories. Talking about the stories, acting them out with puppets or telling them with flannel boards are all important steps on the road to reading.



Closed

All CMPL locations will be closed on **Saturday, January 1 and Sunday, January 2** for New Years Day and **Sunday, April 24** for Easter. Sunday hours will continue at Main through the weekend before Memorial Day.

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HARRY POTTER'S WORLD

RENAISSANCE SCIENCE, MAGIC, AND MEDICINE

In 1997, British author J. K. Rowling introduced the world to Harry Potter and a literary phenomenon was born. Millions of readers have followed Harry to the Hogwarts School of Witchcraft and Wizardry. The magic in the Harry Potter books is partially based on Renaissance traditions that played an important role in the development of Western science, including alchemy, astrology, and natural philosophy. The traveling exhibition *Harry Potter's World: Renaissance, Science, Magic and Medicine* will visit the **Main Library** from **December 20 through January 26**. This exhibit, using materials from the National Library of Medicine, explores Harry Potter's world and its roots in Renaissance magic, science, and medicine. We will also offer some special programs in conjunction with the exhibition. See pages 8 and 12 for more exhibit-related programming. *This exhibition was developed and produced by the National Library of Medicine, National Institutes of Health.*

New Checkout Systems

Have you tried our new self-check systems yet? They were unveiled late last year and offer new features to enhance your library experience. In addition to allowing you to check out more than one item at a time, the new systems also allow for payment of fines right at checkout.



Scan your card using the imager to begin checkout.



Fine payments can be made at the machine using cash or credit.

You no longer need to wait in two separate lines to pay fines and check-out materials. You can pay cash or use a credit card to resolve your fines before checking out. The payment systems will accept \$20 bills and lower. You should also note that **any change you receive from the self-check will be in coins, including dollar coins**. Before you visit the library, take a look at our demo of the new software at: <http://www.youtube.com/user/CMPLVideo>.



From the Director...

For many visitors to the Main Library the large, spinning globe located just beyond the staircase is one of the highlights of the building. A gift to the community from Dr. Percy and Iris Peter celebrating the opening of the library in 2003, it is a piece of artwork that is also educational and makes me think about many aspects of the library.

To start it reminds me of the tremendous diversity in the world, in the people we serve and the services we offer. From babies to centenarians and everyone in between there are books, movies, music, programs and more to educate, inform and entertain.

Whether you are “high tech” or “no tech” you can get a great book in downloadable digital format, hard cover, paperback or large type. Are you conservative, liberal or somewhere in the middle? We are likely to have the latest book from your favorite politician. Are you upper income, middle income or lower income? We welcome everyone with an interest in library services to enter our doors.

The globe can conjure up images of travel and adventure and the library can help you plan your perfect escape. For some it simply means a good book that can allow your mind to travel to faraway places, or to the future or past. Don't know where to start? Just ask any of our librarians to help begin your journey. In practical terms we can help you locate materials to plan a vacation and save money while enjoying your trip. And last I often hear people say that they come to the library just to get out of the house and make it feel like a mini-vacation for a few hours or a day.

At times people's worlds can seem upside down. Whether it's health, legal, or job-related people can access resources at the library to help make things better again. We have computers to apply for jobs and print resumes. We have tutors who help people learn how to use a computer and we have electronic and print study guides to prepare for all kinds of exams. There are resources for entrepreneurs to start a new business and books and articles on diseases from A to Z. We have packets of information to help avoid foreclosure. In short, a trip to the library can help you to make your world right again.

The large Earth with the swirling white cloud cover makes me think of the environment and that we have one home to preserve and take care of. Many of the library's items check out 50 times or more before they wear out which reduces the number of copies needed in the first place and saves landfill space in the end. On an annual basis the library receives tens of thousands of donations of used books, CDs and DVDs that are “recycled” into our collections or the used book sales. Not only do the donors win through less clutter at home and a potential tax deduction, the new owners enjoy an item at a fantastic price and the library wins with funding from the Friends of the library for a wide range of programming and new services.

So what do you think about when you see the large spinning globe at the Main Library? At the very least I hope it reminds you of how coming here helped make your world a better place! We look forward to seeing you and your family in the library soon.

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Behind the Scenes Tour of the Library

Join Director Larry Neal for a tour of the **Main Library** on **Wednesday, April 6** at **10 a.m.**

Learn about the donated works of art, materials and departments. **Registration begins March 23.** Call 226-5050 or visit the What's Happening page at www.cmpl.org to register.



Museum Adventure Pass Continues

The Museum Adventure Pass program, sponsored by Macy's, has been extended for another year! The program allows you to check out either two or four free admissions to cultural institutions around the area. There have been some changes, with four museums leaving the program, but they have been replaced by nine new exciting destinations including: **Michigan Youth Theater, Holocaust Memorial Center, The Art Experience, Detroit Children's Museum, Huron Lightship (a seasonal attraction), Carnegie Center, Port Huron Main Museum, Thomas Edison Depot Museum, U.S. Coast Guard Cutter Bramble (a seasonal attraction) and Monroe County Historical Museum.** Check out a pass today!



OverDrive News

OverDrive isn't just for downloadable audio books anymore. You can now download eBooks right to your computer!

eBooks can be read on a PC or Mac® using free reader software called Adobe® Digital Editions. eBooks can also be transferred from your computer to popular e-reading devices like the Sony® Reader and the Barnes & Noble nook™. Many eBooks feature reflowable text which allows a user to resize the text and alter the display to fit any screen size.



There are over 200 fiction and nonfiction e-books from which to choose in addition to the hundreds of downloadable audio books that are available. Get started with your OverDrive experience at www.cmpl.org/WeRecommend/DigitalDownloads.asp.

Olga's Kitchen and CMPL

CMPL has teamed up with Olga's Kitchen to help raise money for the library and you can help! **Monday, March 14** from **10:30 a.m. - 10 p.m.** is library day at Olga's Kitchen located at 19 Mile and Garfield and the Olga's located inside Lakeside Mall. Simply bring in a coupon from the library, present it to your server and 15% of your bill will be donated to the library. Coupons will be available at each location as well as on our website. The more people who eat at Olga's on March 14, the more money Olga's Kitchen will donate to the library. Get a great meal and help us raise funds!

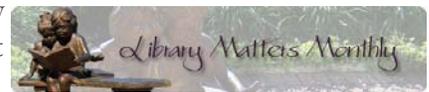
Computer Tutoring Available

Computer classes continue to be offered at the **Main Library**. Classes start in late January and are limited to Clinton and Macomb Township residents. In addition to Computer Basics, Internet and E-mail, the Main Library will now also offer classes for Microsoft Word (software used to type documents such as letters). All classes are 90 minutes long and are designed for people with little or no computer experience. **Registration begins January 10.** Please call 226-5040 to register. Have your library card handy because it is required to register for computer classes.

The **South Branch** will also continue to offer computer tutoring classes beginning January 17. **Registration begins January 3.** These classes are also available to residents of Clinton and Macomb Townships only. Classes at the South Branch cover a variety of topics. Call 226-5073 to register and to find out more about which classes are offered.

Library Matters Monthly

Would you like to receive library news more than just three times a year? Sign up for *Library Matters Monthly*, a monthly e-mail supplement to the newsletter that is mailed to your house. *Library Matters Monthly* will give you information on library programs and events, tips on using the catalog, information on sections of the library's collection and more. To receive *Library Matters Monthly* visit the What's Happening page at <http://www.cmpl.org/WhatsHappening/default.asp>. You can also view old issues online from the What's Happening page.



CMPL Book Groups

CMPL offers four different book discussion groups to appeal to all types of book lovers. Simply read the book and show up ready to discuss it. Copies of the books are available at the location of the book discussion one month in advance of the program.

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

January 13: *In Defense of Food* by Michael Pollan

February 10: *Hotel on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet* by Jamie Ford

March 10: *Cutting for Stone* by Abraham Verghese

April 14: *The Falls* by Joyce Carol Oates

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

January 8: *The Art of Racing in the Rain* by Garth Stein

February 12: *The Girl with the Dragon Tattoo* by Stieg Larsson

March 12: *The Crying Tree* by Naseem Rakha

April 9: *The Postmistress* by Sarah Blake

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

January 18: *Heat Wave* by Richard Castle

February 15: *Death at La Fenice* by Donna Leon

March 15: *The Insider* by Reece Hirsch

April 19: *Faceless Killers* by Henning Mankell

Brown Bag Book Discussion

We are pleased to introduce a new book discussion group where you can bring your lunch and discuss a book. The Brown Bag Book Discussion will meet on the **first Wednesday** of the month at the **Main Library** from **12-1 p.m.** Copies of the book can be picked up at the Main Library. Bring your lunch and discuss a great book with us on the following dates:

February 2: *Sarah's Key* by Tatiana de Rosnay

March 2: *Middlesex* by Jeffrey Eugenides

April 6: *People of the Book* by Geraldine Brooks

Donate to the Library

CMPL is mostly supported by local property taxes. With the recent decline to home values, the library has been working hard to provide you with the same level of service and materials on a smaller budget. Did you know that you can help by donating to the library?

CMPL gratefully accepts all monetary donations. You can now donate your change when you are paying fines at the self-checkout desk. You may also designate monetary gifts. Would you like to see more books on U.S. history? A monetary gift would help us develop that collection and the materials would be bookplated in your name. You can also donate funds dedicated to purchase a magazine subscription for the library, which will be made available to the entire community. For more information, please visit <http://www.cmpl.org/GetInvolved/>

Design-a-Bookmark Contest

The Friends of the Library are hosting a Design-a-Bookmark contest this April!

Children in Kindergarten-grade 12 are invited to design a bookmark in honor of National Library Week. This year's theme is "Create Your Own Story @ Your Library." Winners will have his or her bookmark printed and distributed at all three CMPL locations. Designs must be drawn in pencil and forms are available at all locations beginning April 1. *Entries must be received by April 30.*



CMPL has LeapFrog Tags!

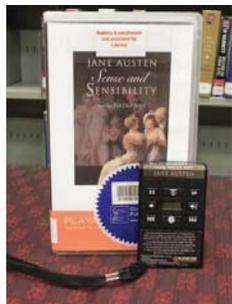
LeapFrog Tag kits were bought for our children's areas this past fall. Each kit includes 1 Tag pen and 5 Tag books. These kits promote early literacy as children use the pen to read along with the story. The children are able to see the words and match them up to the phonological sounds that the words make.

The LeapFrog Tag has won numerous awards, including the 2009 Educational Toy of the Year. To place a hold on a LeapFrog Tag kit, search for "leapfrog tag" in the CMPL catalog. Enter your library card number and PIN and the kit will come to the CMPL location of your choice. These kits were made possible through the Friends of the Library.



Listen Up at the Gift Store

Have you checked out an SMP/Playaway? These small, self-contained audio books are great and easy to use. Even better, with a copy of your current Playaway checkout receipt you can receive



the free AAA battery and set of earbuds needed to use the Playaway. Stop in the Store, show the friendly volunteers the checkout receipt and you'll walk away with all you need to enjoy a good listen! Or, stop by the circulation desk at the branches with your receipt.

Can't wait for the next big Friends Book Sale? It won't be that long. The next sale is scheduled to start on March 2. Between now and then you can browse in the Store and buy used books, including large type, DVDs and other media. The choices change every week. Many current bestsellers can be found at bargain prices, plus an excellent selection of children's books.

When you're looking for a special gift, think of the Library Gift Store at Main Library. From Michigan to greeting cards, from inspirational to educational, from skill development kits to toys that make you laugh, your purchase directly supports your library. Want to know what's happening at CMPL? Ask a Store volunteer about upcoming programs or get a copy of the most recent *Library Matters*. At the Store you are more than a customer and the Store is more than a gift shop! The Store is open from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Monday & Tuesday and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Wednesday through Saturday.

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 04/30/11

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

Cinema



CMPL is pleased to offer a film series for adults. 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 12 at 6:30 p.m. and Thursday, January 20 at 1 p.m.: *Eat, Pray, Love*. Divorced and at a crossroads, Liz Gilbert risks everything to change her life, embarking on a journey around the world that becomes a quest for self-discovery. *Rated PG-13, 133 minutes.*

Wednesday, February 9 at 6:30 p.m. and Thursday, February 17 at 1 p.m.: *The Other Guys*. This film follows Detective Allen Gamble, a forensic accountant who's more interested in paperwork than hitting the streets and tough guy Detective Terry Hoitz. Allen and Terry idolize the city's top cops, but when an opportunity arises for The Other Guys to step up, things don't quite go as planned. *Rated PG-13, 107 minutes.*

Wednesday, March 9 at 6:30 p.m. and Thursday, March 17 at 1 p.m.: *The Town*. Doug MacRay is an unrepentant criminal. During his last heist they took a hostage. They let her go unharmed and when she later runs into Doug she does not realize that he is the same man who only days earlier had terrorized her. The instant attraction between them gradually turns into a passionate romance that threatens to take them both down a dangerous, and potentially deadly, path. *Rated R, 125 minutes.*

Wednesday, April 13 at 6:30 p.m. and Thursday, April 21 at 1 p.m.: *Salt*. As a CIA officer, Evelyn Salt swore an oath to duty, honor and country. Her loyalty will be tested when a defector accuses her of being a Russian spy. Salt's efforts to prove her innocence only serve to cast doubt on her motives, and the question remains: "Who Is Salt?" *Rated PG-13, 100 minutes.*



Annual Preschool Fair

Will your child be heading off to preschool next fall? How do you decide which preschool program is best for your child? We want to help you with this important decision. On **Saturday, January 22** from **10 a.m. to 1 p.m.** the library will host its annual preschool fair at the **Main Library**. 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.



Winter Reading Club

The Cat in the Hat had lots of ideas for things to do but forgot to suggest reading! Kids through grade 6 are invited to pick up a hat reading log at any CMPL location between **February 7 and April 2**. Complete five activities and bring your hat back to the library to pick a prize from our treasure chest. Participate as many times as you wish, but all forms are due April 2. A grand prize drawing will be held at the end of the program from all entries submitted.



Science Monday

The Ann Arbor Hands-On Museum will be presenting two workshops on **Monday, January 17** at the **North Branch**. In both workshops, there will be hands-on opportunities. Learn about the following topics: 



Magnets at **11 a.m.** (grades K-2)
 Roller Coasters at **1 p.m.** (grades 3-5)

Dancin' at the Main Library

Shake it and move it to some fun tunes at the **Main Library**. Bring children ages 18 months-4 years old to the auditorium on the following dates for dancing fun! **Registration begins two weeks prior to each program.** 

Monday, January 10 at **9:30 a.m.** or **10:30 a.m.**

Monday, April 4 at **9:30 a.m.** or **10:30 a.m.**

Pinkalicious Tea Party



Dress in pink and join us for tea and goodies at the branches. We will celebrate the book *Pinkalicious* with a story, tea party and plenty of pink crafts. Pink tutus, wands, boas and ties are encouraged! 

South Branch on **Saturday, February 26** at **2 p.m.** (All ages)
North Branch on **Thursday, March 10** at **10:30 a.m.** (Ages 3-6 years)

Enrollment Information

- When you see this  it means that **enrollment is required two weeks in advance** of the program.
- Priority enrollment is given to residents of Clinton and Macomb Townships at the **Main Library** and **North Branch** and opens *two* weeks prior to the event for residents and *one* week in advance for non-residents.
- The **South Branch** will continue to offer enrollment for residents and non-residents *two* weeks in advance.

Registration is required unless otherwise noted. A library card is required for registration so please have your barcode handy when registering. We cannot accommodate group enrollment for events. You can always register online.

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

St. Patrick's Day Story Time

Follow the rainbow to the **North Branch** for our special St. Patrick's Day Story Time on **Thursday, March 17** at **10:30 a.m.** This program is for ages 3-6. 



Story Times

Join us for stories and songs that will help promote literacy skills in children birth-age 6. Please have your library card ready when you register. If you cannot make it, we ask that you 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.**



Session I story time will run the week of **January 17 through February 24**. **Residents enrollment begins January 3**. Nonresident enrollment begins January 10.

Session II story time will run the week of **April 11 through May 19**. **Resident enrollment begins March 28**. Nonresident enrollment begins April 4. *Registration is not required for the South Branch.*

Main Library

Mondays at 9:30 a.m. (2 - 11 months)
Mondays at 10:30 a.m. (12 - 36 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)
Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m. (3 - 5 years)

North Branch

Tuesdays at 10 a.m. (Music & Movement, 2-4 years)
Tuesdays at 11 a.m. (Music & Movement, 2-4 years)
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 10 a.m. (2 years old and up)
Wednesdays at 10 a.m. (2 years old and up)

Jewelry for Kids

Join the **South Branch** on **Saturday, February 5** at **2 p.m.** to make a beautiful piece of jewelry. An experienced jewelry maker will provide materials and instructions to create a project with children ages 7-12. Space is limited, so register early.



= Registration is required. *Two weeks prior for residents. One week prior for non-residents.*

Baby Play Time

Baby Play occurs during story time weeks on the following days and times at the Main Library: **Mondays, Tuesdays** and **Wednesdays** from **9:30-11:30 a.m.** and on **last Saturday of the month** from **10 a.m.-2 p.m.** Baby Play Time occurs at the **North Branch** on **Mondays 10-11 a.m.** **No registration required.**

School Age Story Club

School Age Story Club is for kids in 1st - 4th grade featuring age-appropriate stories, games and crafts. **North Branch** will host School Age Story Club on **Mondays** at **4:15 p.m.** Session I will run the week of **January 24 through February 21**. Session II will run the week of **April 11 through May 16.**

South Branch will host School Age Story Club on **Tuesdays** at **6:30 p.m.** Session I will run the week of **January 17 through February 21**. Session II will run the week of **April 11 through May 16.**

Pajama-Rama



Children under 6 are invited to wear their jammies to the **South Branch** for bedtime stories at **6:30 p.m.** on the following **Wednesdays: January 19, February 16, March 16** and **April 13**. **No registration required.**

Valentine Scavenger Hunt

For some Valentine fun, stop by the **North Branch February 7-14** and count the hearts in our Valentine's Scavenger Hunt. Pick up an entry form at the North Branch Information Desk.



Valentine's Crafts

Create a fancy, flowery Valentine for that someone special. Or write a message on a heart shaped cookie. Children ages 5 to 10 can join us at the **Main Library** on **Thursday, February 10** at **4 p.m.** for these crafts and more.

Lego Club

Bring your own Legos to the library for fun. No kits or Technic Legos allowed. This program is for ages 6-12.



Main Library: Saturday, January 29 at **10 a.m.** and **Tuesday, April 5** at **2:30 p.m.**

South Branch: Saturday, January 29 at **2 p.m.** and **Monday, April 4** at **2 p.m.**

Make-a-bug

Strange insects will be sighted out at the **North Branch** on **Wednesday, February 23**. Arts and Scraps will be on hand at **2 p.m.** to help kids create their own Healthy and Mutated Insects. Children ages 6 to 12 should let their imaginations run wild! 

Scout tours

In recognition of “March is Reading Month” the **Main Library’s** children’s department will offer tours for Scout groups from Clinton or Macomb Township. Choose from one of the following dates: **Monday, February 28, Tuesday, March 8, Wednesday, March 16** or **Thursday, March 31**. All tours begin at **6:30 p.m.** Please call 226-5030 for more information or to register your scout group for a tour. 



Saturday Morning Movies

 Have you ever thought, they should make a movie out of this book? Come see some of the movies based on books for kids at the **Main Library**. **Registration required two weeks before the movie.** 

Saturday, February 5 from 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m.

Legends of the Guardians: the Owls of Ga'hoole. For grades 1-5.

Saturday, March 5 from 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m.

The Water Horse. For grades 1-5.

Saturday, April 2 from 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m.

Inkheart For grades 4-7.

Second Saturdays at Main

Bring your child to the Main Library to have some fun on the second Saturday of the month! We'll offer a variety of different classes to entertain and educate.



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

Reptiles in the library

Parseltongue, the ability to converse with serpents, was one of Harry Potter's special talents. Come and see some of the real live cousins of these magical serpents when Mike Brophy of R.E.P.T.I.L.E. Inc. brings some of his collection of reptiles to the **Main Library**. This program is best suited for children ages 4 and older. 

Saturday, February 12 at 10:30 a.m. Puppets and More

LollaPalooza Puppets will be presenting the Frog Prince. This interactive show will feature additional songs with audience participation. All ages are invited; **no registration is required.**

Saturday, March 12 at 10:30 a.m. Baffling Magic

Will the library disappear? Will the librarian be raised to new heights? Baffling Bill will amaze you with his sleight of hand and masterful illusions. Audience of all ages will be entertained and baffled by the magician's ability to fool the eye. **No registration is required.**

Saturday, April 9 at 10 or 10:45 a.m. Under the Dome

Dinosaur Hill Nature Center will bring its planetarium dome to the **Main Library**. The short movie Earth's Wild Ride will be shown under the dome at **10 a.m.** and again at **10:45 a.m.** Set in 2081 this movie looks back at Earth's history through the stories a grandfather shares with his grandchildren who were born on the moon. 

Seussabration

 Come celebrate Dr. Seuss' birthday with CMPL! Do you like *Green Eggs and Ham*? Join us at the **North Branch** on **Wednesday, March 2 at 11 a.m.** for a special celebration of one of our favorite Dr. Seuss stories as we read *Green Eggs and Ham* and make some green eggs and ham! This program is for ages 3-6. 

Visit the **Main Library** on **Wednesday, March 2**. Drop in any time between **6:30-8 p.m.** for stories, crafts and games. Guest readers will share favorite stories throughout the evening. All ages are invited; **no registration is required.**

Join us at the **South Branch** on **Wednesday, March 2 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. All ages are welcome. 



Merry Music

Come dance and sing with the Merry Music Maker on **Tuesday, March 15**. This fun, interactive program will be at the **North Branch** at **10:30 a.m.** and at the **South Branch** at **2 p.m.** You're sure to leave with a smile on your face and a spring in your step. This program is best suited for children ages 2 – 10. 

Bunny Hop

Bring your stuffed bunny (or other favorite stuffed toy) to the **South Branch** on **Tuesday, March 29** at **10 a.m.** for a hoppin' good time. Preschoolers (ages 2 and up) and bunnies will enjoy crafts, games, songs and a snack. 



Xtreme Readers

The **South Branch** has a book club for children ages 7-11 which is sponsored by the Friends of the Library. Register for the next book club meeting and pick up your book at the South Branch reference desk on the date of the previous book club. Children who participate get to keep a copy of the book. 

Saturday, January 22 at 2 p.m.

Ella Enchanted by Gail Carson Levine

Saturday, February 19 at 2 p.m.

Crossroads by Chris Grabenstein

Saturday, March 19 at 2 p.m.

The Year of the Dog by Grace Lin

Saturday, April 16 at 2 p.m.

Mister Monday by Garth Nix

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 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.

Al Capone Does My Shirts by Gennifer Choldenko

The Landry News by Andrew Clements

The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane by Kate DiCamillo

The Graveyard Book by Neil Gaiman



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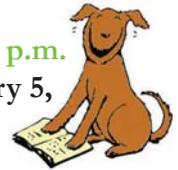
Zeemo the Yo-Yo Man

What do Walking the Dog and Around the World all have in common? They are all yo-yo tricks. Zeemo the YoYo Man will share these tricks and many more at his program on **Wednesday, April 6**. He will be at the **South Branch** at **11 a.m.** and at the **North Branch** at **2 p.m.** This program is best suited for children ages 5 and older. 

PAWS for Reading

Visit the **Main Library** on the following **Mondays** at **6:30 p.m.**: **January 10 and 24, February 14 and 28, March 14 and 28 and April 11 and 25.**

Also stop by the **Main Library** at **6:30 p.m.** on the following **Wednesdays**: **January 5, February 2, March 2 and April 6.**



PAWS dogs will be at the **North Branch** on the following **Tuesdays** at **6:30 p.m.**: **January 4 and 18, February 1 and 15, March 1 and 15, April 5 and 19.**

A PAWS dogs will visit the **South Branch** on following **Mondays** at **6:30 p.m.**: **February 21 and April 11.**

Frog Movie & Craft

Follow the adventures frog when frog goes out on his own at the **Main Library**. The short film will be followed by a craft. Children ages 2 and up can join us on **Thursday, April 7** at **10:30 a.m.** 

Life-Size Candy Land

What do Queen Frostine and Lord Licorice have in common? They are all characters in our special game of Life-Size Candy Land at the **North Branch**! Kids ages 5-12 years old will draw the cards and move the spaces as themselves to move through Candy Land on **Tuesday, April 5** at **2 p.m., 2:20 p.m. or 2:40 p.m.** When you register, please sign up for only one time slot. 



Stuffed Animal Sleepover

Your favorite stuffed animal is invited to a Sleepover at the **South Branch**. Children ages 2 – 7 are invited on **Thursday, April 7** at **6:30 p.m.** for a bedtime story and snack with their animal. Tuck in your critters and say goodnight. Return on April 8 or April 9 to pick up your animals and find out what mischief they got into while you were away. Photos of the animal adventures will be provided. 

Young Adult The Edge

2010 – 2011 Teen Advisory Council

TAC is open to teens, grades 6-12 living in Clinton and Macomb Townships. Meetings are held the third Wednesday of the month at the **Main Library**. Each meeting begins at **4 p.m.** on the following dates: **Wednesday, January 12, Wednesday, February 16, Wednesday, March 16** and **Wednesday, April 13**.

Gaming Open Houses

We'll have our video game equipment set up on the following **Fridays from 3-5 p.m.:** **January 14, February 18, March 18** and **April 15**. **No registration is required.**

Friday Movies at Main

Starting in January we'll be showing popular movies in the Teen Room once a month! Join us after school on the following **Fridays at 3:30 p.m.:**

January 7 - *The Last Airbender* (PG)

February 4 - *The Last Song* (PG)

April 1 - *Scott Pilgrim Vs. The World* (PG-13)

Board Games

Come hang out in the **Main Library's** activity room on **Saturday March 12** from **3-5 p.m.** for an afternoon of board games from our collection! **Registration begins Saturday, February 26.**



Under the Dome

Dinosaur Hill Nature Center will bring its planetarium dome to the **Main Library** on **Saturday, April 9** at **11:30 a.m.** You will get an in-depth look at NASA's mission for the Interstellar Boundary Explorer. **Registration begins March 26.**

Poetry Contest

Calling all writers! April is National Poetry Month! Write a poem and turn it in to any reference desk by April 30 for a chance to win some great prizes! Form and subject are completely up to you. Space permitting, the top winner will be published in the next newsletter!

Teen Program Reminder

All programs are for students 6th through 12th grades in the fall ONLY. To register call 226-5030 or visit www.cmpl.org.

Paper Crafts

We're bringing out the scrapbooking tools in order to make cards, scrapbooking pages, and other crafts! Join us at the **Main Library** on **Wednesday, January 12** from **6-8 p.m.** in the activity room. Most supplies will be provided, however you may wish to bring your own photos. **Registration begins Wednesday, December 29.**

Movie Marathon

You asked for it! We're showing all three movies from the Pirates of the Caribbean series (*rated PG-13*), starting at **10 a.m.** in the activity room on **Saturday, January 29** at the **Main Library**. Lunch will be provided. **Registration begins Saturday, January 15.**

Valentines

Come to the library to make hand-made valentines for your friends and loved ones! Visit the **Main Library** on **Wednesday, February 9** from **6-8 p.m.** in the activity room to create your cards. **Registration begins Wednesday, January 26.**



Shrinky Dink Jewelry

We'll be using the famous decorate-and-bake plastic to make creative jewelry including rings and charms. Visit the **Main Library** on **Saturday, February 12** from **2-4 p.m.** in the activity room. **Registration begins Saturday, January 29.**

Pizza and Paperbacks

The popular Pizza and Paperbacks will continue to meet at the **South Branch** in the upcoming year, thanks to the generosity of the Friends of the Library! You must sign up in person at the South Branch reference desk. We will meet the following **Fridays at 4 p.m.:**



January 14 - *Speak* by Laurie Halse Anderson
February 25 - *Stuck In Neutral* by Terry Trueman
March 18 - Title to be announced

Friends Raffle with the Quilt Guild of Metro Detroit

Are you a fan of quilted items? Would you like to support the library? The Friends of the Library and the Quilt Guild of Metro Detroit have teamed up to offer you a quilt raffle like never before!

This spring the Quilt Guild of Metro Detroit is donating a variety of quilted items to the Friends of the Library to raffle off following the spring book sale. Tickets can be purchased at all three CMPL locations this spring. Be on the lookout for more information about tickets, as well as a display of the raffle prizes, in March 2011. *A special thank you goes to the Quilt Guild of Metro Detroit for taking the time to make and donate items to this raffle.*

The Friends are a group of dedicated volunteers who raise funds for the library. Each year they donate tens of thousands of dollars to the library to help support things like the Music at Main, summer reading programs for all ages and the entire programming budget. If you've ever taken your child to a craft program, attended a movie night or had your teen attend a video game open house, then you've benefited from the generosity of the Friends of the Library.

Used Book Donations

Did you know that the library welcomes book donations all year long? The items may be brought to any location and you can request a tax donation form at the circulation desk.

At the Main Library donations can be dropped off on the loading dock. Donations are collected and presorted throughout the year. This task is handled by a committee of senior citizens (mostly ladies), who ask that you consider the size and weight of the bags and boxes in which you pack your donations. If your own mother couldn't lift the bag or box, then please consider packing it lighter. All donations should be placed in boxes or bags and not left loose.

As a reminder, items not accepted as donations are: mildewed/smelly books, damaged books (wet, torn, no covers, falling apart), encyclopedias, regular magazines, textbooks (older than 5 years), Reader's Digests, cassettes, self-recorded VHS or DVDs.



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, March 2

5:30-8:30 p.m.

Friends Night Only

Thursday, March 3

12 p.m.-8 p.m.

Friday, March 4 and Saturday, March 5

9:30 a.m.-5 p.m.

Sunday, March 6

1:15-3:15 p.m.

Bag Day

Monday, March 7

9:30 a.m.-12 p.m. (based on availability)

Free Day

Volunteer for the Book Sale

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:



Wednesday, February 23 & Thursday, February 24:

4-8 p.m.

Friday, February 25 & Saturday, February 26:

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

Sunday, February 27:

1:15-5 p.m.

Monday, February 28:

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

Adult Programs

Introduction to Face Reading

The Harry Potter exhibition introduces us to magic and science. Is there a practical way for adults to use science and “magic” when it comes to daily interactions? On **Thursday, January 6 at 6:30 p.m.**



the **Main Library** will welcome Lin Klaassen for a program on face reading. Face reading has been practiced for over 3,000 years, and has been scientifically validated to 92% accuracy. Learn the history of face reading and how to gauge the importance of a facial trait. Discover ten facial traits that you can begin to read immediately. Lin

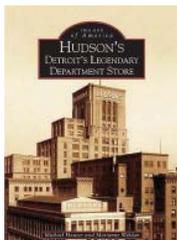
will read random faces from the group, and take questions. You may wish to bring a mirror for your personal observations. **Registration begins December 23.** Call 226-5050 or visit the What’s Happening page at www.cmpl.org

The Orphan Train

Did you know 12,500 orphans from New York City and the Boston area were placed in Michigan from 1854 to 1927. The first Orphan Train Riders arrived in Dowagiac, Michigan on a Sunday morning in late September 1854, traveling on the Michigan Central Railroad. By 1927, forty-three Michigan towns would also receive orphans from the “Baby Train”, as it was sometimes called. Al and David Eicher will be at the **Main Library** on **Wednesday, February 2 at 6:30 p.m.** to present a video and lecture presentation about Michigan’s Orphan Train. **Registration begins January 19.** Call 226-5040 or visit the What’s Happening page at www.cmpl.org to register.



Hudson’s: Detroit’s Legendary Department Store



For over a century, the J.L. Hudson’s Department Store on Woodward Avenue was more than just a store—it was a Detroit icon. At 25 stories, it was the world’s tallest department store, and was at one time home to the most exceptional offerings in shopping, dining, services, and entertainment. On **Tuesday, March 8 at 6:30 p.m.**

relive the memories with Michael Hauser as he presents a program on Hudson’s. The program will include a short DVD and items to peruse such as photos and architectural items from the downtown store. **Registration begins February 22.** Call 226-5040 or visit the What’s Happening page at www.cmpl.org to register.

Herb Program

Herbs play a large part in the Harry Potter series and the traveling exhibit details information on



the history of the use of herbs. On **Wednesday, January 19 at 6:30 p.m.** Master Gardener Troy Huffaker will visit the **Main Library** to discuss

herbs and how to start your own herb garden. Planting and caring for your own herb garden can be a wonderful hobby and add zest to your winter cooking. **Registration begins January 5.** Call 226-5040 or visit the What’s Happening page at www.cmpl.org to register.

Crafts at South Branch

Learn to make a beautiful necklace from an experienced jewelry designer at the **South Branch** on **Saturday, February 5 at 11 a.m.** This program is for adults. **Registration begins January 22.** Please call 226-5073 or visit www.cmpl.org to register.

It’s all in the bag! Bring a clean Size Large T-shirt (any color) to create an over-the-shoulder style tote at the **South Branch** on **Saturday, March 5 at 11 a.m.** The larger the T-shirt the larger the tote. This program is for adults. **Registration begins February 19.** Please call 226-5073 or visit www.cmpl.org to register.

The Trail You Leave in Ink

Ruth Elliot Holmes will visit the **Main Library** on **Wednesday, March 16** at **6:30 p.m.** to present “The Trail You Leave in Ink.” Have you ever wondered what your handwriting says about you? Holmes will share a lively, insightful and useful program on handwriting and what it means for you, your career, your children and every relationship. Documented with examples of the famous, the infamous and ordinary people, this graphic and informative program will long be remembered. Holmes is a world-renowned handwriting analyst who has taken part in many major trials as an expert witness. **Registration begins March 2.** Call 226-5040 or visit the What’s Happening page at www.cmpl.org to register.



Once Upon a Crime

Come to the **Main Library** at **7 p.m.** on **Wednesday, April 13** to hear more about the mystery, suspense, thriller and detective fiction we have to offer at the library. Our librarians have scoured the shelves and will give you the inside scoop on the authors you must read and the titles you should check out. Participants should come with one or more of their favorite mysteries or thrillers to share with the group. **Registration begins March 30.** Call 226-5050 or visit the What’s Happening page at www.cmpl.org to register.



The History of Vernor’s Ginger Ale

Vernor’s Ginger Ale has sparkling fizz, a unique taste, and a history that goes back before Coca-Cola, Pepsi or Hires. Dr. Keith Wunderlich will visit the **Main Library** on **Wednesday, April 20** at **6:30 p.m.** to tell the story of James Vernor and Vernor’s Ginger Ale. Wunderlich will trace the beverage’s history from a teenage James Vernor’s experimenting with ginger ale extract in the early 1860’s to now. Wunderlich is a Vernor’s memorabilia collector and will share his collection as well as the fascinating story of Vernor’s Ginger Ale. We’ll also serve glasses of Vernor’s Ginger Ale. **Registration begins April 6.** Call 226-5040 or visit the What’s Happening at www.cmpl.org to register.



Online Resources Uncovered

FACTS ON FILE

Do you have a school assignment where you need to find information about a country? Want biographical information about a famous person in history? Looking for a map, chart, flag or timeline? Do you require primary source materials? All this, and much more, is available on your computer in the Facts on File database. Facts on File offers excellent reference material on Science, History, Geography and Culture, all in an easy-to-use and attractive presentation. Plus, since Facts on File is a research database, you know that what you’re seeing is legitimate, well-researched and trustworthy information.



For free access to Facts on File at home or in the library, click on the Research & Homework tab on the CMPL website, then from that page select Facts on File from the A-Z Database list. From there, click on the category that suits your needs, and you’ll be taken to a vast array of easy-to-find resources.

Pick up a Good Read

Our librarians are always available to help you find a good book when you visit the library, but did you know that you can get recommendations online from all library departments? Our homepage, www.cmpl.org, contains a link to our staff blog. This is where staff from all library departments and locations recommend materials. Recommendations include books, movies and music. You can visit it 24-hours a day and see what has been recommended over the years. Access the CMPL Staff Blog through the CMPL homepage or visit it directly at <http://cmplisreading.blogspot.com>.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

January

January 1

CLOSED for New Year's Day
All locations

Thursday, January 6 at 6:30 p.m.

Face Reading
Main Library

Friday, January 7 at 3:30 p.m.

TAC presents *The Last Airbender*
Main Library

Saturday, January 8 at 12 p.m.

The Art of Racing in the Rain
Book Discussion
South Branch

**Monday, January 10 at 9:30 a.m.
and 10:30 a.m.**

Dancin' at Main
Main Library

Wednesday, January 12 at 4 p.m.

TAC Meeting
Main Library

Wednesday, January 12 at 6 p.m.

Teen Paper Crafts
Main Library

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

CMPL presents *Eat, Pray, Love*
Main Library

Thursday, January 13 at 7 p.m.

In Defense of Food Book Discussion
Main Library

Friday, January 14 at 3 p.m.

Teen Gaming Open House
Main Library

Friday, January 14 at 4 p.m.

Pizza & Paperbacks: *Speak*
South Branch

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

R.E.P.T.I.L.E.
Main Library

Sunday, January 16 at 2 p.m.

Music at Main: Treetown Swingtette
Main Library

Monday, January 17 at 11 a.m.

Ann Arbor Hands-On: Magnets
North Branch

Monday, January 17 at 1 p.m.
Ann Arbor Hand-On: Roller Coasters
North Branch

Tuesday, January 18 at 10 a.m.

Heat Wave Book Discussion
North Branch

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

Herbology
Main Library

Thursday, January 20 at 1 p.m.

CMPL presents *Eat, Pray, Love*
Main Library

Saturday, January 22 at 10 a.m.

Preschool Fair
Main Library

Saturday, January 22 at 2 p.m.

Xtreme Readers
South Branch

Saturday, January 29 at 10 a.m.

TAC Movie Marathon
Main Library

Saturday, January 29 at 10 a.m.

Lego Club
Main Library

Saturday, January 29 at 2 p.m.

Lego Club
South Branch

February

Wednesday, February 2 at 12 p.m.

Brown Bag Book Discussion
Main Library

Wednesday, February 2 at 6:30 p.m.

The Orphan Train
Main Library

Friday, February 4 at 3:30 p.m.

TAC presents *The Last Song*
Main Library

Saturday, February 5 at 10:30 a.m.

Saturday Day Morning Movie
Main Library

Saturday, February 5 at 11 a.m.

Jewelry Making for Adults
South Branch

Saturday, February 5 at 2 p.m.

Jewelry Making for Kids
South Branch

Wednesday, February 9 at 6 p.m.

Teen Valentines
Main Library

Wednesday, February 9 at 6:30 p.m.
CMPL presents *The Other Guys*
Main Library

Thursday, February 10 at 4 p.m.

Valentine Crafts
Main Library

Thursday, February 10 at 7 p.m.

Hotel on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet
Book Discussion
Main Library

Saturday, February 12 at 10:30 a.m.

Puppets and More
Main Library

Saturday, February 12 at 12 p.m.

The Girl with the Dragon Tattoo
Book Discussion
South Branch

Saturday, February 12 at 2 p.m.

Shrinky Dink Jewelry
Main Library

Tuesday, February 15 at 10 a.m.

Death at La Fenice Book Discussion
North Branch

Wednesday, February 16 at 4 p.m.

TAC Meeting
Main Library

Thursday, February 17 at 1 p.m.

CMPL presents *The Other Guys*
Main Library

Friday, February 18 at 3 p.m.

Teen Gaming Open House
Main Library

Saturday, February 19 at 2 p.m.

Xtreme Readers
South Branch

Sunday, February 20 at 2 p.m.

Music at Main: Full Throttle
Main Library

Wednesday, February 23 at 2 p.m.

Make-a-Bug
North Branch

Friday, February 25 at 4 p.m.

Pizza and Paperbacks: *Stuck in Neutral*
South Branch

Saturday, February 26 at 2 p.m.

Pinkalicious Tea Party
South Branch

March

Wednesday, March 2 at 11 a.m.

Green Eggs and Ham
North Branch

Wednesday, March 2 at 12 p.m.
Brown Bag Book Discussion
Main Library

March 2 - March 7
Used Book Sale
Main Library

Wednesday, March 2 at 6:30 p.m.
Seussabration
Main Library

Wednesday, March 2 at 6:30 p.m.
Seussabration
South Branch

Saturday, March 5 at 10:30 a.m.
Saturday Day Morning Movie
Main Library

Saturday, March 5 at 11 a.m.
T-Shirt Tote Bag
South Branch

Tuesday, March 8 at 6:30 p.m.
Hudson's: Detroit's Dept. Store
Main Library

Wednesday, March 9 at 6:30 p.m.
CMPL presents *The Town*
Main Library

Thursday, March 10 at 10:30 a.m.
Pinkalicious Tea
North Branch

Thursday, March 10 at 7 p.m.
Cutting for Stone Book Discussion
Main Library

Saturday, March 12 at 10:30 a.m.
Baffling Magic
Main Library

Saturday, March 12 at 12 p.m.
The Crying Tree Book Discussion
South Branch

Saturday, March 12 at 3 p.m.
TAC Board Games Day
Main Library

Tuesday, March 15 at 10 a.m.
The Insider Book Discussion
North Branch

Tuesday, March 15 at 10:30 a.m.
Merry Music
North Branch

Tuesday, March 15 at 2 p.m.
Merry Music
South Branch

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

Wednesday, March 16 at 6:30 p.m.
The Trail You Leave in Ink
Main Library

Thursday, March 17 at 10:30 a.m.
St. Patrick's Day Story Time
North Branch

Thursday, March 17 at 1 p.m.
CMPL presents *The Town*
Main Library

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

Friday, March 18 at 4 p.m.
Pizza and Paperbacks
South Branch

Saturday, March 19 at 2 p.m.
Xtreme Readers
South Branch

Sunday, March 27 at 2 p.m.
Music at Main: Peter Fletcher
Main Library

Tuesday, March 29 at 10 a.m.
Bunny Hop
South Branch

April

Friday, April 1 at 3:30 p.m.
TAC presents *Scott Pilgrim*
Main Library

Saturday, April 2 at 10:30 a.m.
Saturday Day Morning Movie
Main Library

**Monday, April 4 at 9:30 a.m.
and 10:30 a.m.**
Dancin' at Main
Main Library

Monday, April 4 at 2 p.m.
Lego Club
South Branch

**Tuesday, April 5 at
2 p.m., 2:20 p.m. & 2:40 p.m.**
Life-Size Candyland
North Branch

Tuesday, April 5 at 2:30 p.m.
Lego Club
Main Library

Wednesday, April 6 at 10 a.m.
Behind the Scenes Tour
Main Library

Wednesday, April 6 at 11 a.m.
Zeemo the Yo-Yo Man
South Branch

Wednesday, April 6 at 12 p.m.
Brown Bag Book Discussion
Main Library

Wednesday, April 6 at 2 p.m.
Zeemo the Yo-Yo Man
North Branch

Thursday, April 7 at 10:30 a.m.
Frog Movie and Craft
Main Library

Wednesday, April 7 at 6:30 p.m.
Stuffed Animal Sleepover
South Branch

Saturday, April 9 at 10:30 & 10:45 a.m.
Under the Dome
Main Library

Saturday, April 9 at 11:30 a.m.
Teens Under the Dome
Main Library

Saturday, April 9 at 12 p.m.
The Postmistress Book Discussion
South Branch

Wednesday, April 13 at 4 p.m.
TAC Meeting
Main Library

Wednesday, April 13 at 6:30 p.m.
CMPL presents *Salt*
Main Library

Wednesday, April 13 at 7 p.m.
Once Upon a Crime
Main Library

Thursday, April 14 at 7 p.m.
The Falls Book Discussion
Main Library

Friday, April 15 at 3 p.m.
Teen Gaming Open House
Main Library

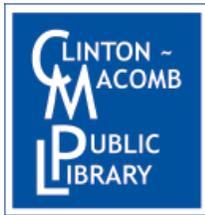
Saturday, April 16 at 2 p.m.
Xtreme Readers
South Branch

Tuesday, April 19 at 10 a.m.
Faceless Killers Book Discussion
North Branch

Wednesday, April 20 at 6:30 p.m.
History of Vernor's Ginger Ale
Main Library

Thursday, April 21 at 1 p.m.
CMPL presents *Salt*
Main Library

Sunday, April 24
CLOSED for Easter
All locations



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 Gretchen Krug, Manager

South Branch

35891 South Gratiot Avenue
 (586) 226-5070
 Margaret Dekovich, Manager

Hours of Service

Monday-Thursday 9 a.m. - 9 p.m.
 Friday-Saturday 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.
 Sunday* 1 p.m. - 6 p.m.
 (*Sept.- May, Main Library only)

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

Sunday, January 16: *Treetown Swingtette.* This four-piece ensemble plays some of the best of traditional swing and jazz. Made up of Myron Grant, Erin Zurbuchen, Paul Winder and a rotating fourth member, this group features tight, dynamic ensemble arrangements featuring violin solos, vocal interpretations, bass, harp, guitar and vocal scat.

Sunday, February 20 at 2 p.m.: *Full Throttle.* This five-part a capella group has been entertaining audiences for over 7 years with well-tuned vocal harmonies, a great sense of humor, and style. They'll make you want to get up and dance and sing along as we pay tribute to the leg-ends of Doo Wop such as The Spaniels, The Tokens, The Del Vikings, and Dion and The Belmonts and many more!

Sunday, March 27 at 2 p.m.: *Peter Fletcher.* Award-winning classical guitarist Peter Fletcher will visit. Fletcher, a noted classical guitar-ist from New York, will once again share his music in a intimate and engaging set.

Sunday, May 15 at 2 p.m.: *Swingin' Chopin.* In celebration of the 200th anniversary of Frederic Chopin's birth, prominent Detroit-area bassist Rich Kowalewski arranged some of the most beloved Chopin melo-dies in American and Latin American jazz styles.