Clinton-Macomb Public Library Library Library Matters

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Extended Sunday Hours Main Library

Starting January 8, the Main Library will be open for an extra hour on Sunday. The new hours will be from 12-6 p.m. on **Sundays**. In addition, we are pleased to announce that the Main Library will no longer close on Sundays during the summer. Sunday hours will continue year-round with the exception of holidays and holiday weekends. We hope you will enjoy the extra access to the library.

Closings

All locations will be CLOSED on Sun., Jan. 1 and Sun., Apr. 16.

The Main Library will close at 2 p.m. on Fri., Apr. 28 to get ready for the Taste of the Town Kentucky Derby. The branches will remain open until 6 p.m.

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Winter Reading Club

Mon., Feb. 6 - Sat., Mar. 25 * All locations

The cold winter days provide plenty of opportunity to participate in our Winter Reading Club! The best part? The Winter Reading Club is for all ages! Kids in kindergarten through grade 5 are invited to pick up a BINGO



reading log at any CMPL location between February 6 and March 25. Complete five activities on your BINGO sheet, bring your form back to the library and pick a prize from our treasure chest. Participate as many times as you wish, but all forms are due March 25. Little kids ages 0 to 5 can participate too.

Teens will have an opportunity to win prizes and the more reading completed, the better the chance to win! Adults will have the opportunity to enter to win different prize bundles. The more you read, the more entries you get! Pick up your form at any CMPL location starting February 6.

We're Celebrating 25 Years!

This year we're celebrating 25 years of serving the community! On March 16, 1992 Clinton Township and Chippewa Valley Schools became partners in the Clinton-Chippewa Valley District Library. A lot has changed in the last 25 years, including our community partner, but we've enjoyed every minute of it! This year we'll be celebrating milestones with you all year beginning with our official incorporation date of March 16. Stop by any CMPL location on Thursday, March 16 for a small treat as a way to celebrate our inception date.

A Taste of the Town: Kentucky Derby Friday, April 28 at 6:30 p.m. • Main Library

Our Taste of the Town fundraiser at the Main Library is going strong! Join us at the Main Library on Friday, April 28 from 6:30-10 p.m. for great food, beer, wine, signature cocktails and our version of the Kentucky Derby. Bring some cash for a chance to triple your money betting on "horses" as we run four races throughout the night. We'll have caterers



and many vendors from local restaurants serving you a strolling dinner followed by entertainment, photo booth, chances for prizes and more. Tickets are available for \$30 at any CMPL location or online at www.cmpl.org. The Main Library will close at 2 p.m. on Friday, April 28 in order to set up for the party.



FROM the DIRECTOR...

Happy 25th Anniversary Clinton-Macomb Public Library! Who would have imagined that this library system with its humble beginnings in Erie Elementary would be well on its way to becoming a world class library?

Back in 1992 neither Clinton Township nor Macomb Township had a local public library. At that time the Macomb County Library (now closed) was conveniently located in the middle of the two townships and functioned in that role even though its purpose was to serve as a reference and research library for the entire county. When that library rededicated itself to its core purpose our residents lost access to children's books and popular fiction titles. Forward thinking community leaders Robert Cannon (Clinton Township Supervisor then Trustee), his wife Cheryl (then Assistant Superintendent of the Chippewa Valley School District) and Dr. Genny Brown, (then principal of Erie Elementary) were key to the establishment of the Clinton-Chippewa Valley District Library (CCVDL) on March 16, 1992.

CCVDL opened its doors in Erie Elementary on June 22, 1992. The library's collection, equipment and furniture were mostly discards from other libraries. As usage grew, in 1995 the library moved to a larger space in Seneca Middle School. In 1996 community leader Donald W. Green (now CMPL Trustee Emeritus) joined the library board. In 1997 the library moved to a larger space in the shopping center at 19 Mile and Garfield. It became clear that demand for library services was far greater than what was being offered. At the encouragement of Janet Dunn (Macomb Township Supervisor), John Brennan (then Macomb Township Supervisor) and his board agreed in 1997 to join the district so that all of Macomb Township would have library service rather than just the portion in the school district. The new twotownship partnership was also reflected in the change of the name to Clinton-Macomb Public Library (CMPL).

The next phase of the library's transformation started in 1998. With a service population in excess of 100,000 the library did not begin to meet any of the state standards for professional staffing, hours open or funding support. Thanks to the hard work of the Friends of CMPL a dedicated property tax for the construction and operation of the library system was approved by voters in August 1998. This paved the way for hiring Christine Lind Hage, a nationally known public library director, and the development of a full-time staff, current collections and

an ambitious building construction plan. In 2000 the first South Branch opened on Gratiot Ave.; in 2001 the North Branch opened on 24 Mile Road and in 2003 the Main Library opened on Romeo Plank Road.

In 2005 Christine returned to her previous library and I was selected as CMPL's new director in 2006. The next several years were of continued growth of the library system as the community responded very favorably to the buildings, collections, programming and professional staff eager to serve the community. While the recession hit the community hard the community's investment in a quality library system paid off. In becoming an essential service we heard many people say that they were using the library's Wi-Fi and computers because they could not afford broadband at home. Families told us that the library served as their summer vacation destination. Our online tutoring service helped students through homework problems and provided resume review for job seekers.

Despite strong fiscal planning and oversight, by 2014 the library's revenues had decreased by \$1M a year to a level that was not sustainable. The community reaffirmed its commitment to quality public library services by passing a millage increase. With the lease ending on the South Branch and a building available for sale down the street, the new South Branch was also opened in that year.

As we begin the next chapter in CMPL's history there is still much to be done on our goal of excellence. We have worked on making the library more welcoming and customer-focused with improved policies and additional training. Our partnerships with the six local school districts we serve are gaining national attention. We are nearly done with getting our collections refreshed and technology up-to-date. We are now in a position to provide best-in-class library service hours extending Sundays year round to better cover the school year and to open an hour earlier so there are fewer people waiting at the doors for us to open. With the continued growth in Macomb Township we are very aware of the need for better serving the northern part of the library district and are actively working on plans for the near future.

It's hard to believe how far we have come in 25 years and I want to thank the countless people not mentioned in this column who made it possible. We look forward to hearing your favorite library memory to celebrate our accomplishments as well as your dreams and aspirations for the library and the community for the next 25 years.



Computer Classes

Free, introductory level computer classes are being offered from January to May at the Main & South locations. Each class is 90-120 minutes long and covers one program. These classes are designed for adults who are

looking to learn basic computer skills.
Offerings include: Computer Basics,
Internet Basics, Email, Files & Folders,
Microsoft Word, Excel and PowerPoint. Classes are open to residents of
Clinton & Macomb Townships with a
library card in good standing. Laptops
are provided. Registration begins
Monday, January 9. With library card



in hand, call the Main Library at (586) 226-5040 or the South Branch at (586) 226-5073.

Michigan Works

4th Mondays from 2-4 p.m. • Main Library and South Branch

Michigan Works will continue to have an on-site representative here to help with job hunting & resume writing. These services are free and no appointment is needed. Michigan Works will provide information and guidance to those seeking jobs at these drop-in sessions. Call (586) 226-5040 (Main) or (586) 226-5073 (South) for more information.

Computer Help

Our technology staff is available to help with questions on computers, tablets & cell phones. No appointment is necessary. Stop by the following locations during these times to get technology assistance:

Main Library: Tuesdays from 3-8 p.m. and Thursdays from 1-6 p.m.

North Branch: Tuesdays from 1-3 p.m.

South Branch: Tuesdays-Thursday from 1-4 p.m. and Friday from 2-6 p.m.

Visit the Used Book Nook!

The Main Library is the home of the Used Book Nook! Stop by to get a great deal on items that are so gently used, they are practically new. In **February**, get **20% off romance books**. In **March**, there will be a **20% discount on children's chapter, teen and young adult books**. Want 20% off anything? Clip the coupon below and bring it with you when you visit.

20% off one item at the Used Book Nook through 04/30/17

(This coupon may not be reproduced.)



CMPL Book Groups

CMPL offers different book discussion groups to appeal to all types of book lovers. Copies of the books are available

at the location of the book discussion one month in advance of the program.

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

Jan. 14: The Wright Brothers by David McCullough

Feb. 11: In the Unlikely Event by Judy Blume

Mar. 11: The Greater Journey: Americans in Paris by Daivd McCullough

Apr. 8: When We Meet Again by Kristen Harmel

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

Jan. 17: In a Dark, Dark Wood by Ruth Ware

Feb. 21: Mallory's Oracle by Carol O'Connell

Mar. 21: Law of Attraction by Allison Leotta

Apr. 18: Primal Fear by William Diehl

Wine and Proses

Tues., Jan. 24 and Tues., March 7 at 7 p.m. ◆ Filipo Marc Winery

Tues., Jan. 24: The Light Between Oceans by M.L. Stedman Tues., March 7: Little Women by Louisa May Alcott

Registration is required. If you'd like to purchase a bottle of wine, come at 6:30 p.m. to sample and purchase prior to the discussion. Group registration for this program is not permitted. *Filipo Marc Winery is located at 39085 Garfield, Clinton Township, 48038.*



CMPL is pleased to offer a film series for adults. Movies are shown in the auditorium of the **Main Library**. *Movies with an asterisk indicate an earlier start time to allow for the length of the movie*.

Wed., Jan. 11 at 6:30 p.m. and Thurs., Jan. 19 at 1 p.m.: *Me Before You*. Rated PG-13, 110 minutes.

Wed., Feb. 8 at 6:30 p.m. and Thurs., Feb. 16 at 1 p.m.: *Bridget Jones's Baby.* Rated R, 125 minutes.

Thurs., Feb. 23 at 1 p.m.: *Bridget Jones's Baby.* Rated R, 125 minutes. This showing includes closed-captions.

Wed., Mar. 8 at 6:30 p.m. and Thurs., Mar. 16 at 1 p.m.: Florence Foster Jenkins. Rated PG-13, 110 minutes. This movie will include pizza! Registration is required. Starting February 22, call (586) 226-5050 to register.

Wed., Apr. 12 at 6 p.m.* and Thurs., Apr. 20 at 1 p.m.: The Light Between Oceans. Rated PG-13, 132 minutes.

Thurs., Apr. 27 at 1 p.m.: The Light Between Oceans. Rated PG-13, 132 minutes. This showing includes closed-captions.

Michigan Opera Theatre: From Page to Stage Sun., Feb. 26 at 3 p.m. • Main Library

Are you a fan of the book *Little Women*? This classic novel has been transformed into an opera of the Michigan Opera Theatre (MOT). In conjunction with the production of Mark Adamo's opera *Little Women*, MOT will present book club events January-February 2017 that bridge the gap between Alcott's original work and the opera. *Little Women* will be presented at the Macomb Center for the Performing Arts, March 11-12.

This program will include a lecture on *Little Women*, a discussion related to both the book and the opera and a performance by Michigan Opera Theatre singers. This is a unique opportunity to experience MOT outside of Detroit. **Registration for this program begins February 12.** Call (586) 226-5040 or visit the Events page at www.cmpl.org to register.

Clinton Township Blood Drive

Tues., Feb. 7 from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. • Main Library Wed., Feb. 8 from 12 - 6 p.m. • South Branch

The library is an official partner in Clinton Township's blood drive effort and blood drives will be held throughout the township on February 7 and 8. This year's theme is Giving Together is Good because we are trying to recruit new blood donors. If you've donated before, why not bring a friend with you this year?

On Tuesday, February 7 drives will be held at:

- Main Library from 9 a.m.-3 p.m.
- Clintondale High School from 8 a.m.-1:45 p.m.
- Chippewa Valley High School from 1-6:45 p.m.

On Wednesday, February 8 drives will be held at:

- Senior Center from 8 a.m.–7:45 p.m.
- South Branch from 12-6 p.m.

Online reservations will be available beginning December 26 at www.redcrossblood.org, sponsor code: clintontownship or call the Blood Drive Hotline: (586) 286-1768 starting January 9.

Lego® Competition

Attention Legomaniacs and brickmasters! As part of our Comicon (see pages10, 12 or 15), we are having a sci-fi/fantasy-themed Lego® building contest, sponsored by Bricks and Minifigs in Macomb Township. Here are the rules:

- There will be prizes in 5 age groups, from preschool to adult, for first place and runner-up.
- The contest is open to residents in CMPL's service area.
- Entries must be no larger than 10x10" and no more than 24" in height.
- Entries must be original; not Lego® designed kits or projects found online or elsewhere.
- Entries must be submitted to the Main Library between 9 a.m. on Saturday, April 15 and 6 p.m. on Thursday, April 20.

Visitors to the library will judge the entries and winners will be announced Mon., April 24. Check with a staff member for additional details starting in January.



Early Childhood Professional Workshops

Select Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. • South Branch

In collaboration with Macomb Family Services, CMPL is proud to bring back a series of workshops for Early Childhood Professionals at a new location. Workshops will be held once a month and topics will include a variety of early childhood matters. A certificate of completion will be available to everyone who attends. To register these sessions, please call (586) 226-5030.

January 3: Problem Solving II March 7: Respecting Families

April 4: Supporting Social/Emotional Development

May 2: Outdoor Play

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Ice Age: Collision Course

Sat., Jan. 7 at 2 p.m. ◆ South Branch

Children and adults may bring a blanket as we relax and enjoy an afternoon movie. Snacks will be provided. All ages. **®**



Block Party

Thurs. Jan. 12 and Tues. April 18 at 10 a.m. • Main Library

We love to play because play is important to building early literacy skills. Come play with blocks, build, and learn together at a block partylibrary style. This program is for ages 2-5. ®

Crazy 8s Math Club

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Mondays: Jan. 9 – Feb. 27 at 4:30 p.m. ◆ Main Library

Get fired up about math with fun activi-



ties! Kids in grades K-2 will play and learn with play dough, glow sticks and more. When you register, you are signing up for all eight weeks. ®

Sounds Like Science

Mon., Jan. 16 at 2 p.m. • South Branch

Make some waves and make some noise in this fun and funky science show. Mad Science will create a cacophony with a garbage can, swinging sound tubes and a metal pipe. Cheer as the pickle glows and potatoes pop. ®

Rock N Read

Mon., Jan. 16, Sat., Feb. 11 and Sat., March 25 at 11 a.m. ◆ Macomb Township Rec Center

If you love reading and fun, then it's time to Rock N Read! Grab a blanket and get ready for stories, songs, games, and fun with CMPL and Macomb Twp. Parks and Recreation. Registration is required through Macomb Twp. Parks & Recreation at https://reach.gomtpr.org, beginning January 2. All three sessions will take place at the Macomb Township Recreation Center at 20699 Macomb St. R

Lego® Fun

Saturdays: Jan. 14 and March 11 at 10 a.m. ◆ Main Library

Bring your own Legos® to the library and have fun building something new! We supply the theme and you have about 30 minutes to make

something, then time to see what everyone else created. Everyone gets a new Lego® piece and a Lego® kit will be awarded. For ages 6-11.

Registration Information

- When you see this it means that **registration is** required before the program.
- Priority registration is given to residents in our service area 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** offers registration for residents and non-residents *two* weeks in advance.

A library card is required for registration, so please have your barcode handy. We cannot accommodate group registration for events. You can always register online.

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

Story Times

Session I story times will take place the week of January 2 through the week of January 30. Session II story times will take place the week of February 27 through the week of March 27. Session III will take place the week of May 1 through the week of May 30. Join us:

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Baby Time on Mondays at 9:30 a.m. (0-11 months) Tot Time Plus on Mondays at 10:30 a.m. (12-30 months) Little Listeners on Tuesdays at 10 a.m. (2-3 years) **Tot Time** on **Tuesdays** at **11 a.m.** (12-23 months) Little Listeners on Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. (2-3 years) Little Listeners on Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. (2-3 years) Preschoolers on Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m. (3-6 years)

North Branch ®

Music and Movement on Tuesdays at 10 a.m. (2-4 years) Music and Movement on Tuesdays at 11 a.m. (2-4 years) Tot Time on Wednesdays at 9:15 a.m. (12-23 months) Preschoolers on Wednesdays at 10:15 a.m. (3-6 years) Tot Time on Wednesdays at 11:15 a.m. (12-23 months) Baby Time on Thursdays at 9:30 a.m. (0-11 months) Little Listeners on Thursdays at 10:30 a.m. (2-3 years) Little Listeners on Thursdays at 11:15 a.m. (2-3 years)

South Branch ®

Tot Time Plus on Tuesdays at 9:15 a.m. (12-30 months) Little Listeners Plus on Tuesdays at 10 a.m. (2 years +) Little Listeners Plus on Wednesdays at 10 a.m. (2 years +)

Pop-In Play Time

Mon., Tues., and Wed. from 9:30 a.m.-12 p.m. • Main Library Play time is for ages 0-5 and runs during story time weeks. **No registration** is required.

Daddy and Me Play and Learn

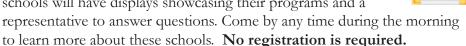
Saturdays: Jan. 21, Feb. 18, March 18, and May 20 at 10 a.m. ◆ Main Library

Calling all dads and their kids ages 15 months to 3 years old. Join in this interactive playgroup hosted by Macomb Family Services. The sessions will include finger plays, songs, preschool readiness activities and early childhood development resources. Mommies and other care providers are welcome. ®

Preschool and Early Childhood Fair

Sat., Jan. 28 from 10 a.m.-12 p.m. • Main Library

How do you decide which preschool program is best for your child? We can help you with this important decision when we host the annual preschool fair. More than a dozen area preschools will have displays showcasing their programs and a



Pajamarama

2nd Wed. of the month at 6:30 p.m. • South Branch (ages 1-8)



Put on your jammies and join us for bedtime stories. Attendees ages 1-8 will receive a free book. R

PAWS for Reading

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Help your child gain confidence in reading by practicing with a trained



dog. No registration is required.

Main Library: 2nd and 4th Mondays and 1st Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m.

South Branch: 2nd and 4th Mondays at **6:30 p.m.**

Sensory Play

Tuesdays: Feb. 7, Feb. 14, April 4 and April 11 from 6:30-7:30 p.m. • **Main Library**

Children ages 6 months to 6 years old should wear play clothes and come to a sensory play program. There



may be doughs, shadows, slimes, gels, glitter or sand. Sensory play is meant to engage some or all of your senses. It can also help develop fine or gross motor skills. Be prepared to get messy. No registration is required.

Super Hero Tee Party

Sat. Jan 28 at 2 p.m. • South Branch

Wear your favorite super hero t-shirt and enjoy games, crafts, snack, and more for children ages 2 1/2 to 11. **B**



CMPL to Become a Family Place Library™

We're joining the Family Place LibrariesTM national network! This is a national network of more than 400 libraries, 7 of which are in Michigan, who provide a welcoming family environment with resources that parents need to nurture their children's development and ensure that they enter school ready and able to learn. Research has proven that only 25% of a newborn's brain is wired at birth, while 90% is wired by age 3. How adults respond to and interact with children between birth and 3 years has dramatic effects on future learning. Parents and caregivers are their child's most important teachers and CMPL is here to help you.

Here are a few of the things coming this winter and spring to CMPL as a part of this program:

- The children's area at each location will be redesigned to create a more welcoming space for families with young children to relax, play, share books, and meet other families.
- Each location is expanding its resources for parents and teachers. This gives parents the chance to look for information and still be close to their children.
- Grow, Play, Learn, our parent-child workshop, will be launching at all three locations. This is a five-week play-based workshop where families can relax, make friends, and talk one-on-one with specialists on child development.

We are both proud and excited to bring these changes to you. Stop by our children's areas this spring to see these enhancements!



Grow, Play, Learn

Mondays: Jan. 9-Feb. 6 at 10 a.m. • North Branch Thursdays: March 2-March 30 at 10 a.m. • South Branch

Fridays: March 31-April 28 at 10 a.m. • Main Library

As a part of our new Family Place LibrariesTM initiative, we're launching a five-week parent/child workshop. This is a fun, play-based program where families can relax, make friends, and talk one-on-one with specialists on child development. This program is open to ages 1-3 and their caregiver. Siblings up to age 5 are welcome to attend, but do not need to register for the program. ®

Family Fort Night

Fri., Feb. 3 at 6 p.m. • Main Library

Bring the whole family for some after-hours fun! You provide the

blankets and sheets to build your own family fort, and we'll provide the



space, countless books to read together, and maybe a surprise or two. You must be in the building before we close at 6 p.m. This program will end at 7:30 p.m. ®

Ms. Carissa Rocks

Sat., Feb. 4 at 10:30 a.m. • Main Library

Sat., April 29 at 10:30 a.m.
North Branch

Get ready to rock with Ms. Carissa in this fun family concert for ages 12 and under. ®

Drive-In Movie

Tues., Feb. 7 at 10 a.m. ◆ North Branch

Children ages 2-5 can join us in decorating a cardboard box "car" to sit in while watching the movie Turbo.

Drums Alive

Thurs. Feb. 9 at 10:30 a.m.
South Branch

Thurs., April 6 at 10 a.m. • Main

Library
Move to
the beat of
the drums
with CC

Plus



Fitness. Come dressed for an active program. This program is for ages 3-6. R

Giant Games

Saturday, February 11 from 10:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. Main Library

Come have family fun with giant checkers, four in a row, bowling and more! This program is for ages 4 and up. **Registration is not required.**

Valentine's Day Story Time & Craft

Mon., Feb. 13 at 10 a.m. • North Branch

Children ages 2-6 can come to the North Branch to listen to stories and make a craft for Valentine's Day. ®

Happy Hearts

Tues., Feb. 14 at 10 a.m. • South Branch

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Enjoy Valentine's Day stories, songs, and a craft for children 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ - 5. \bigcirc

Thank You!

A big thank you goes out to Nino Salvaggio for the donation of the pie pumpkins for the Halloween party at the South Branch! Our little ghosts and goblins had so much fun.

Drawing with Mike

Sat., Feb. 18 at 1 & 2:15 p.m. • North Branch Sat., April 1 at 10:30 a.m. • Main Library

Budding artists are invited to a drawing class with local artist Mike Kirsten. Mike will share drawing tips and techniques with all participants. This program is for grades 1-5. R

Earth, Moon, and Sun

Mon., Feb. 20 at 10 & 11:15 a.m. • Main Library

This planetarium show explores the relationship between the Earth, Moon and Sun with the help of

Coyote, an amusing character adapted from Native American oral traditions who has many misconceptions about our home planet and its most familiar neighbors. This program is for ages 6-12.

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Marvels of Motion

Tues., Feb. 21 at 10:30 a.m. • North Branch

Come explore Newton's laws of motion with Mad Science in this abundantly engaging physics performance. Observe the power of all sorts of forces including gravity, centrifugal force, inertia and much more. Then we'll harness the power of these forces together to create astonishing jet packs and even a rocket-propelled car! This program is for ages 5-12. ®

"Try It Out" Yoga

Wed., Feb. 22 at 10 a.m. Main Library
Yoga is for EVERYbody! Kids yoga is for
ages 4-12, please bring a yoga mat or large
towel with you and a parent will need to be
present.



Perler Bead Crafts

Wed., Feb. 22 at 10 a.m. • North Branch

Kids ages 6-12 are invited to the North Branch to make crafts with Perler Beads. ®



Coloring Day

Thurs., Feb. 23 from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. * North Branch

All ages are welcome to come to the North Branch to enjoy some family coloring time! **No registration is required.**

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Brown Bear, Brown Bear

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Thurs., Feb. 23 at 10 a.m. • Main Library

Celebrate Brown Bear's 50th anniversary! Listen to the story, enjoy fun activities at various stations and make a craft. For ages 2-5. ®

Movie Matinee

Fri., Feb. 24 at 2 p.m. + Main Library

Stop by the Main Library with your family as we show a new release kids' movie. Feel free to bring a snack, beverage and a blanket to sit on. ®



Princess Party

Sat. Feb. 25 at 2 p.m. ◆ South Branch

Little princesses ages 2-10 will meet "real" princesses and enjoy crafts, games, and a snack. ®

Seussabration

Mon., Feb. 27 at 10 a.m. * North Branch Wed. March 1 at 6:30 p.m. ◆ South Branch

The Cat in the Hat will visit to celebrate the birthday of Dr. Seuss. There will be stories, songs, and crafts for children 1 to 10 at the South Branch. The North Branch event will have stories and crafts for ages 3-6. ® • • • • • • • • • • •



5th Grade Battle of the Books

Sun., March 5 at 2 p.m. Main Library

All 5th graders are invited to participate in the 5th Grade Battle of the Books! You just need a team of 3-5 5th graders and an adult coach. The battle will take place on Sunday March 5 at 2 p.m. Visit www.cmpl.org/ **BOB** for the list of battle books and more details.

CVS Literacy Night-Lights, Camera, Action, Read!

Thurs., March 9 from 6-8 p.m. ◆ Main Library

Visit the Main Library as we shine the spotlight on the books of Kelly DiPucchio, who will be the Chippewa

Valley Schools author-in-residence this spring. We will be providing stations where students and their families can explore Kelly's different books and have fun. This evening will be geared towards students who are in kindergarten



through 5th grade and registration is not required.

Here Come the Puppets!

Sat., March 18 from 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. • Main Library

The Detroit Puppeteers Guild will bring a delightful variety of puppets to the Main Library. Activities will begin at 10 a.m. with hands-on puppet-building workshops, recommended for children ages four and up. At 11:15 a.m., there will be a 45-minute puppet performance in the auditorium. Puppets of all kinds will be on display in the hallway cases, and there



will be a little Puppet Shop in the back of the auditorium with finger puppets, hand puppets, marionettes and books for sale. Come join us and meet the puppets!

Bricks4Kidz

Mon., April 3 at 10 a.m. ◆ Main Library

Experience the world of Minecraft with LEGO® Bricks in this fun engineering class with Bricks4Kidz! This program is for grades 1-5. R

Online Resources Uncovered

Image Quest

CMPL recently purchased another fabulous tool to help students and adults with school assignments and/or presentations. It is called ImageQuest and it is a database that contains millions of rights-cleared images downloadable from one trustworthy location.

There are many special features including the "Project Ideas" section which offers tips and tricks for how to use this product to enhance learning. Each image includes a proper



citation in multiple formats (not visible on the actual image). Searches can be filtered by picture orientation, source, style of image, and more. Additionally, users can save images in one location in order to easily compare pictures or stop working and return where you left off.

You will find a link to ImageQuest on our website. Simply choose the Research option from www.cmpl.org and scroll down to ImageQuest on the Choose a Database drop down menu. If you have any questions, please give us a call at (586) 226-5030.

STEM Building Challenge

Tues. April 4 at 10 a.m. • North Branch

Kids ages 7-12 can come to the North Branch to participate in various building challenges using popsicle sticks. R

A2Magic

Wed., April 5 at 2 p.m. • South Branch

A2Magic will amaze you with his sleight of hand and magic wand. Join us at the South Branch to be wowed by Jeff Wawrzaszek's magical abilities. This program is for ages 3-12. R



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Cold-Blooded Creatures

Wed., April 5 at 10:30 a.m. ◆ North Branch Wed., April 5 at 1:30 p.m. ◆ Main Library

Take an up-close look at Michigan's reptiles and amphibians with the Metroparks Mobile Learning Center. This program is for kids ages 3-11.

Thumbprint Art

Thurs., April 6 at 11 a.m. ◆ North Branch

Children ages 4-10 are invited to come make art with their thumbprints! R

The "Write" Stuff

Do you have "The Write Stuff"? This spring CMPL will be hosting a writing competition for 3rd and 4th graders. Submissions will begin on April 9. Details will be forthcoming on our website and on social media.



. **Dance Party**

Mon., April 10 10 a.m. * North Branch

Kids ages 2-5 are invited, with their caregivers, to dance away the morning. ®

Bunny Picnic

Tues., April 11 at 10 a.m. • South Branch

Bring your favorite stuffed bunny for stories, songs, a craft, and a treat, for children 2 1/2 -5. **R**



Science of the Three Pigs

Thursday, April 13 at 10 a.m. • Main Library



Kids ages 3-6 are invited to the Main Library to hear a story and conduct some hands-on science experiments and activities. ®

Pancakes & Pajamas

Wed., April 19 at 10 a.m. • North Branch

Wear your pajamas to the North Branch for some yummy stories and pancakes! This program is for ages 3-6. R



BookFlix Movies

Tues., April 25 at 10 a.m. • South Branch Children ages 2 ½ -5 will enjoy short movies based on popular books and a craft. R

Elephant & Piggie Party

Thurs., April 27 at 10 a.m. • North Branch

Children ages 2-6 are invited to the North Branch for stories, games, and crafts to celebrate the wonderful Elephant & Piggie books by Mo Willems! ®

Candy Sushi

Sat., April 29 at 2 p.m. + South Branch

Children ages 7-12 years old, will enjoy a fun food craft where we will create beautiful "sushi" pieces made entirely out of candy and other sweet treats. R



Children's Book Discussions

CMPL offers book discussion groups for children. Join us for one!

Book Blasters

Mon., Feb. 20 and Mon., April 3 at 1 p.m. ◆ North **Branch**

Book Blasters is the North Branch book club for kids ages 7-9. Join us for a discussion. R

Feb. 20: The Year of the Dog by Grace Lin April 3: The Rickshaw Girl by Mitali Perkins.

South Branch Book Clubs

Pick up your free book on the date of the previous book club. Registration must be made in person at the South Branch. B

Book Blasters (ages 7-9) at 1 p.m.

Sat., Jan. 21: The Incredible Twisting Arm by Kate Egan

Sat., Feb. 18: DragonBreath by Ursula Vernon

Sat., Mar. 18: Where is Niagara Falls? by Megan Stine

Sat., Apr. 15: The World According to Humphrey by Betty

G. Birney

Xtreme Readers (ages 10-12) at 1 p.m.

Sat., Jan. 21: Crunch by Leslie Connor

Sat., Feb. 18: Spirit Animals: Wild Born by Brandon Mull

Sat., Mar. 18: The Magician's Elephant by Kate DiCamillo

Sat., Apr. 15: Ghosts by Raina Telgemeier

Clinton-Macomb ComicCon

Sat., April 22 * Main Library

We're hosting our first ever all-ages, all day celebration of all things pop culture! We'll have a ton of drop-in activities going on all day, but these programs require advance registration due to space limitations:

10 a.m.: Preschool Pop Culture Party (Ages 2-5) R 11 a.m.: Comic-Style Drawing Workshop for Kids

(Grades 2-5) R

1 p.m.: SuperHero Training (Ages 5-8) R

1 p.m.: Zombie Survival Training (Ages 8-12) R

What else will be happening? Trivia contests, photo ops with costumed characters, panel discussions on a wide range of topics, board games, food trucks and more! Visit the Main Library for a full schedule, available February 1.



Teen Takeover

Monday – Thursday 2-6 p.m. ◆ South Branch

Come to our after-school hangout at the South Branch! We have video games, activities, and even space for you to do your homework.

Creative Writer's Workshop

Thurs., Jan. 12 at 6:30 p.m. ◆ Main Library

This program will include writing games, activities and even acting out your favorite parts from movies, plays or stories in your own way. Meet other local teen writers and get the creativity flowing!

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Teen Advisory Council Meeting

Mon., Jan. 16 at 4 p.m. ◆ Main Library

Have an idea for a program? Want to give input on Summer Reading activities and prizes? Join the Teen Advisory Council by coming to our second meeting of the year! [®]

Pizza and Paperbacks

Fridays: Jan. 20, Feb. 17, and March 17 at 4 p.m. ◆

South Branch

Pick up a FREE copy of the book club book at the South Branch reference desk and join our lively group to eat pizza and discuss! 8

Study Hall

Main Library

Need a place to cram for exams? We'll have extra tables and supplies available, as well as snacks and some fun study breaks. Join us:

Sat., Jan. 21 from 3-6 p.m. Sun. Jan. 22 from 1-6 p.m. Mon., Jan. 23 - Wed., Jan. 25 from 3-8:30 p.m.

Zombie Attack!

Fri., Jan. 27 from 6-7:30 p.m. • Main Library

Imagine our surprise when we found out a rogue scientist had set up a lab right here in the library...and as you guessed it, things have gone wrong. The tests have gotten out of control and we're now overrun with zombies! Come ready to battle the hordes, use your smarts to decode clues, or become one of the infected!

Improv Workshop

Sat., Feb. 18 at 1-3 p.m. ◆ Main Library

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Have you always wanted to try improvisational comedy? Local improv



artist Ryan McGillin of ComedySportz Detroit is teaching a 2-hour improv work-

shop perfect for beginners or people who have tried it before! Join us for what is bound to be a hilarious good time. ®

Monday Movie Marathons

Mondays: Feb. 20 and April 3 at 1 p.m. • South Branch School's out! Spend the day at the library with snacks and a double fea-

ture! Snacks will be provided! ®

Winter Warm-Up

Sat., Feb. 4 at 2 p.m. ♦ Main Library

Escape from the cold with lots of fun activities to warm you up. We'll be making some yummy scented soaps that look and smell just like your favorite warm winter drinks and playing some fun winter games without all the chilly cold of the snowy outside. B

Teen Program Reminder

When you see this symbol R registration is required. Please note that parents and younger siblings will not be able to attend teen programs. Programs are for teens in grades 6 through 12. To register call 226-5030 or visit www.cmpl.org.

Ladies' Night

Fri., Feb. 10 from 5-8 p.m. • South Branch

Put on some cute PJs and join us for our first South Branch Teen Ladies Night! We'll eat pizza, watch a movie, and do some fun activities. The library closes at 6 p.m. and attendees will not be permitted to leave the building until 8 p.m. ®

Sharpie Shirts

Wed., Feb. 22 at 2 p.m. • North Branch

Bring a plain white cotton shirt to decorate using the sharpie tiedye method! This



method allows for more intricate designs than regular tie-dye, so bring your creativity! ®

Recycled Crafts

Thurs., March 9 at 6 p.m. • North Branch

Do you have some old CDs or clothes that you want to recycle into something cool? Come to the North Branch to "un-junk" your stuff and learn how to make t-shirt tote bags, CD

mosaic frames, and fringe scarves. We'll provide some supplies, but feel free to bring your own!

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teen PROGRAMS

Iron Chef: PEEPS edition

Wed., April 5 at 3 p.m. • Main Library

What can you make from a Peep? We'll have a range of supplies available for you to use to create a magnificent dessert. The catch? Every creation must include everyone's favorite marshmallow treat. ®

Clinton-Macomb ComicCon

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- 12 p.m.: Costume Contest ®
- 12:30 p.m.: Comic-Style Drawing Workshop for Teens and Adults ®
- 6 p.m.: Nelson Lugo: The Charming Trickster (popculture humor and Magic for older audiences) ®
- 7:30 p.m.: Paranormal Investigation with Grimstone, Inc. (A real ghost hunt in the library!) ®

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Community Service for Teens

Need to get in some volunteer hours? We're offering a few opportunities for teens to easily earn up to 12 hours with us by attending some or all of the following at the Main Library:

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Jan. 7 from 1-3 p.m.: Join us to make toys and supplies for dogs at local shelters.

Jan. 29 from 9 a.m.-12 p.m.: Come in before the library opens to help shelf-read the library's collection.

Feb. 2 from 6-8 p.m.: Make valentines for residents of local senior homes.

March 4 from 1-3 p.m.: Make toys and supplies for cats at local shelters.

March 26 from 9 a.m.-12 p.m.: Come in before the library opens to help shelf-read the library's collection.



Used Book Sale

Stop by the Main Library on any of the following

dates to get a great deal on classics, best-sellers, children's books and more! A membership to the Friends of the Library is available at any time, at any CMPL location.



Wednesday, April 5

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

Thursday, April 6 12 p.m.-8 p.m.

Friday, April 7 and Saturday, April 8 9:30 a.m.-5 p.m.

Sunday, April 9 1:15-3:15 p.m. - Bag Day

Monday, April 10

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

Volunteer for the Book Sale

Volunteer at the book sale on the following dates and times: Wednesday, March 29 & Thursday, March 30 from 4-8 p.m., Friday, March 31 & Saturday, April 1 from 9:30 a.m.-2 p.m. and Sunday, April 2 from 1:15-5 p.m.

Bookmark Contest

March 1-30 ◆ All locations

Attention artists in kindergarten through 12th grade! You are wanted for the CMPL and Friends of the Library Annual Design A Bookmark Contest starting March 1. Participants are asked to design an original bookmark to help celebrate March is Reading Month. Entry forms can be picked up from any CMPL location beginning March 1 or on our web site. The form must be returned to any CMPL location by Friday, March 30. One winner will be chosen from each grade. Winners receive bookstore gift



cards and their designs are reproduced and distributed in the library.



A World War II Love Story

Thurs., Jan. 12 at 6:30 p.m. • Main Library

Local resident and author Rudolf (Rudy) Ruder will be sharing the harrowing account of his parents' experiences in Hitler's Germany during World War II. Simon Ruder, a successful Jewish tailor in Lvov, Poland was captured by the Gestapo, imprisoned as a slave laborer, and barely survived internment in several concentration camps, including Auschwitz and Dachau.

As a young German girl, his mother Marile spent eight years as a member of the Nazi Hitler Youth. The absorbing and improbable story of how these two people managed to somehow meet and fall in love is fascinating. Ruder's story tells of the hidden connections between the two families and the events that led to his parents overcoming enormous religious and cultural barriers. Copies of Mr. Ruder's book, *The Long Journey to Cleveland*, will be available for purchase. Please join us for the memorable story of one family's World War II experience and their eventual journey to America.

Cat Chat

Sat., Jan. 14 at 2 p.m. • North Branch

Learn about feline development from kitten to cat, basic care, play, and safety tips, followed by a Q & A session about our furry friends from an experienced veterinarian. ®



Genealogy

Wednesdays: Jan. 25 and April 26 at 6:30 p.m. ◆ South Branch

We'll teach you how to use Ancestry Library Edition to find your family history using the library computers or bring your own laptop. ®

Tech and Tea

3rd Wednesdays from 9:30 – 10:30 a.m. ◆ Main Library

Love your tablet and want to share your skills? Just bought a new tablet device and want to gain some skills? Join our tablet club for users of all skill level. A library staff member will be on hand to help with any of our digital download collection. Coffee and tea will be served.



Registration Information

When you see this **®** it means that **registration is required.** Registration for residents in our service area begins **two weeks** before the program. Adult programs are intended for those 18 and older unless otherwise noted. If you register and cannot attend, please let us know so that another person may have the opportunity to attend.

Main Library 226-5040 or 226-5050

North Branch 226-5083 South Branch 226-5073

You can also register online at the Events page at www.cmpl.org.

Medicare 101 and Medicare Fraud

Tues., Jan. 31 at 10 a.m. • Main Library Tues., March 28 at 11 a.m. • South Branch

A representative from Michigan Medicare/Medicaid Assistance Program (MMAP) will be here to discuss Medicare. Learn about the Who, What, When, Where, How and Why of Medicare and more about Medicare fraud. There will be ample question and answer time.

Rockin' in the Library

Select Thursdays at 7 p.m. • Main Library

Join us for a series of programs related to rock! Follow us on Facebook for upcoming events and library music news.

Thurs., Feb. 16 at 7 p.m.: Name That Rock & Roll Tune

Teams of 2 will compete to name 20 rock song titles and artists. The winning team will receive a \$50 gift card to the Hard Rock Cafe! Only the team captain should register.

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Thurs., April 20 at 7 p.m.: Whole Lotta Zeppelin

Join us for a night of Led Zeppelin! Listen to the music and discuss the artistry of Page and Plant. We will have an open forum for music lovers to reminisce and reflect on *Good Times Bad Times*, favorite songs, experiences and display albums and concert memorabilia. Refreshments will be served.



Lavender Soaks & Sachets

Sat., Jan. 7 at 10:30 a.m. • North Branch

Back by popular demand, North Branch will hold another lavender craft session. Create relaxing lavender bath soaks and cotton drawer sachets using natural ingredients. Priority will be given to people who have not attended the previous session. ®

Saturday Make & Take

Sat., Jan. 21 at 1 p.m. ◆ Main Library

Stop by on Saturday afternoon and make a bottle of essential oil scented hand sanitizer and a bath tea bag at this quick afternoon craft.

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Mini Terrarium

Sat., Jan. 28 at 11 a.m. + South Branch

Add some green to your space with a mini terrarium! Join us at the South Branch to create a tiny plant arrangement in a glass bowl. ®

Valentine Rosette Wreath for Two

Sat., Feb. 4 at 10:30 a.m. • North Branch

Bring your daughter, granddaughter, niece, spouse or BFF for a "share the love" day out! Perfect for a parent and child team, husband and wife pair, or other duos.



Create a heart-shaped wreath with paper rosettes. For ages 10 and up. Attendees must come in pairs to complete the project. One wreath, one registration per pair.

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Crafternoon: Candle Luminary

Tues., Feb. 28 at 1 p.m. • Main Library

We'll be painting a glass jar and decorating candles to make a cozy luminary for the end of winter. ®

DIY Natural Cleaning

Sat., Mar. 18 at 10:30 a.m. • North Branch

Get in the spring cleaning mood! Learn how to create natural, non-toxic cleaning solutions and mixes using herbal ingredients and common pantry items. Make samples to try at home.



Saturday Make & Take

Sat., March 25 at 1 p.m. ◆ Main Library

Stop by on Saturday afternoon and make a bar of felted wool soap at this quick afternoon craft. ®

Crafternoon: Sharpie Coaster Craft

Tues., April 11 at 1 p.m. • Main Library

We'll be making coasters out of bathroom tile, Sharpie markers and drops of rubbing alcohol. ®

Paint and Plant

Sat., Apr. 22 at 10:30 a.m. • North Branch

Decorate a terra cotta pot, fill it with soil, add a fresh plant, and enjoy your living creation at home on Earth Day. ®



Gee's Bend Quilters

Tues., Feb. 21 at 6:30 p.m. • Main Library

The quilts of Gee's Bend were created by a group of African-American women and their ancestors who live

or have lived in the isolated hamlet of Gee's Bend, Alabama. Jan Dolland has gotten to know the women who make these amazing quilts from scraps of fabric. At this program Jan will share her experiences with a short video and sharing her stories and sharing several quilts. ®



"Try It Out" Yoga

Wed., Feb. 22 • Main Library

Yoga is for EVERYbody! Learn about the benefits of yoga at several interactive demonstrations from Bodhi Seed Yoga & Wellness Studio.

10 a.m. - Kids yoga: ages 4-12, please bring a yoga mat or large towel with you and a parent will need to be present.

11 a.m. – Chair yoga: adults, chairs will be provided. ®

12 p.m. – Mat yoga: adults, please bring a yoga mat or large towel. R

Jigsaw Puzzling Contest

Wed., March 1 at 1:30 p.m. ◆ Main Library Sat., March 25 at 2 p.m. • South Branch

Grab some friends and spend the afternoon at a Jigsaw Puzzling Contest! The puzzle at the Main Library will have 750-pieces. The South Branch puzzle will have 500-pieces. There will



be refreshments and prizes. Teams may have up to 4 members, but only the team captain should register. ®

Teresa Irish: A Thousand Letters Home, the Journey of the Letters

Tues., March 7 at 6:30 p.m. • Main Library

Teresa Irish takes you on a captivating, life affirming journey based on the 1,000 letters her father wrote home from WWII. Her skillful, engaging storytelling blends humor and history to leave audiences laughing, crying, and inspired. A heartfelt tribute to America's history, freedoms, and family values, as well as a call to citizenship in today's world, Irish's program is cross-generational. This is a program you won't want to miss! ®

Cooking with Fran

Tues., March 21 at 6:30 p.m. • Main Library

Join Fran Salvatore of Pamela's Catering as she shows you how to make a delicious brunch menu for family and friends. We will even taste test some of the recipes.

Local History Room Technology

Thurs., March 30 from 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. • Main Library

Learn about the digital preservation tools we have available at the Main Library. Each session will last 40 minutes, and will cover one technology, including a dem-



onstration, hands-on practice, and a Q&A. Learn about the 35 mm slide digitizer at 9:30 a.m., photo scanner at 10:30 a.m. and VHS-to-DVD converter at 11:30 a.m. R

Hats Off to the Kentucky Derby

Sat., April 22 at 11 a.m. • South Branch

Join us for a fashion parade of vintage Kentucky Derby hats from the Victorian era and bevond, while enjoying tea and treats! This program is presented by Fash-

ion and the Automobile. There will be an opportunity to try on hats. ®

The 20 Financial Vitals You Need to Know **About**

Wednesdays: Apr. 19, 26 and May 3 at 6:30 p.m. • Main Library

Once again Smart Money Week is being celebrated in 2017 from April 22 - 29. The Main Library is offering a 3-part series that will discuss the 20 financial vitals you need to know. R



Wednesday, April 19 will include Protecting Your Assets, Your Intentions, Your Income and Family.

Wednesday April 26 will include Managing Your Healthcare Costs Pre and Post-Retirement.

Wednesday, May 3 will include Your Retirement: Boom or Bust. It is not mandatory to attend all three parts. You will benefit even if you can just attend one or two.

In addition throughout the series, a one-on-one Financial Vitals QuickChecks will be available by appointment preceding each presentation. (NOTE: 30-minute slots starting with 6 p.m. and 5:30 p.m.) Registration is required for these sessions and are only available to Clinton and Macomb Township residents. R

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- **5 p.m.:** Cercei's Wine Tasting with Fillipo Marc Winery (21+ with ID) R
- 6 p.m.: Nelson Lugo: The Charming Trickster (popculture humor and magic for older audiences. 13+) (B)
- 7:30 p.m.: Paranormal Investigation with Grimstone, Inc. (A real ghost hunt in the library! 13+) **R**

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South Branch

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Hours of Service

Monday-Thursday 9 a.m. - 9 p.m. Friday-Saturday 9 a.m. - 6 p.m. Sunday* 12 p.m. - 6 p.m. (*Main Library only)

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Join us for a free hour of music open to all ages. No registration is required to attend these concerts.

Sun., Jan. 15 at 2 p.m.: American Songhook of Jazz with Paul VornHagen. Winner of six Detroit Music Awards, sax/flutist/vocalist Paul Vorn-Hagen returns for an afternoon of music featuring jazz standards from legendary composers.

Sun., Feb. 12 at 2 p.m.: *In the Tradition.* Known as the foremost African-centered jazz group of its kind in the world today, this band is well-known for their dynamic concert appearances featuring jazz and world beats.

Sun., March 19 at 2 p.m.: The Raisin Pickers. Award winning music group from Manchester, Michigan. Playing rustic Appalachian music, old time swing, bluegrass, and lately swamp driven Louisiana sounds.

Sun., May 7 at **2 p.m.**: *Finvarra's Wren*. This family band is one of North America's most exciting Irish quartets according to the Metro Times. Come enjoy an afternoon of Irish tunes.

Sunday FUNday

Sun., Jan. 8 at 2 p.m. & 4 p.m. * Main Library

Enjoy the Main Library's new longer Sunday hours by attending one or two programs on Sun., Jan. 8 hosted by Library Director Larry Neal. At 2 p.m. he will give a tour of the library including a behind-the-scenes look at the automated check-in machine. At 4 p.m. join him for a "retro" snow-themed movie afternoon featuring a Looney Tunes cartoon and then Disney's 1972 comedy *Snowball Express* (Rated G, 99 mins.). Both programs are suitable for all ages. **Registration is not required**.