

Clinton-Macomb Public Library

Library Matters

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Fire Drills

September is National Preparedness Month. All CMPL locations will run fire drills on **Thurs., Sept. 13** between **9:30 a.m. - 10 a.m.** We will evacuate all buildings in order to train staff and those in the building. If you require uninterrupted library time, please consider visiting the library at an alternate time.



Closings

All locations will be CLOSED on the following dates:

Sat., Sept. 1 - Mon., Sept. 3

Mon., Oct. 8

Wed., Nov. 21 - close at 6 p.m.

Thurs., Nov. 22

Mon., Dec. 24 - Tues., Dec. 25

Mon., Dec. 31 - Tues., Jan. 1

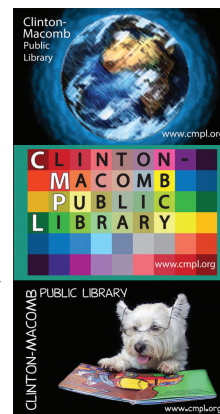
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Library Card Sign Up Month

September is National Library Card Sign Up Month! If you haven't explored the Clinton-Macomb Public Library, now is a great time to see everything we have to offer. We have many books, but we also have movies on Blu-ray and DVD, CDs, streaming music, downloadable movies and music, board games, technology items and more just waiting to be checked out. All you need to get your library card is a valid form of ID with your address, such as a driver's license or tax bill. Come in to any CMPL location to get instant access to nearly 500,000 items for free!



There is also great news for parents! If your child is enrolled in Chippewa Valley Schools, Clintondale Schools, L'Anse Creuse Schools, Utica Community Schools, or Immanuel Lutheran, he or she already has a virtual library card. Your student can access online material, such as Tutor.com, eBooks, music and more using his or her student number. But, now is a great time to come into the library and upgrade that card to a full access card that will allow your child to check out physical material as well as online material. Stop by any Circulation Desk to upgrade your child's student card today.

If you already have your library card, now is a great time to revisit the library and see all the new materials and services we have to offer. We would love to see you again!

Free Magazine Back Issues

Fri., Nov. 2 – Sun. Nov. 4 ♦ Main Library

We're cleaning out our magazines to make room for new issues! Stop by the Main Library on November 2 – 4 to pick up older issues while supplies last. These free magazines are first come, first served, and there is no limit on the number each person may take.

\$8 Movies at Emagine Theaters

Have you heard about our deal with Emagine Theater in Macomb? All you need is your CMPL card and you will get a movie ticket and a small popcorn for just \$8! Show your CMPL card at the ticket counter to receive this deal. CMPL days occur on the **first Monday** and **third Wednesday** of the month only. Stop by on the following dates to see the movie of your choice for just \$8:

Sept. 3 and 19, Oct. 1 and 17, Nov. 5 and 21, Dec. 3 and 19



FROM the DIRECTOR...

By today's standards it is a miracle that I am here and in one piece. As a toddler of the late 1960's my mother strapped me into a very basic child seat on the back of her bike without a helmet. I had an appetite for black pebbles at the beach. The seatbelts in the back seat of our car were buried under a piece of plywood so more packing room could be created in the foot space for camping supplies (and also offering a great platform for "border wars" with my two younger siblings during the road trip). Yet without the internet and scientific research studies my parents did many things right. Books, bedtime stories, trips to the public library, playing with friends, and even singing in the bathtub were an integral part of my life from the very start.

Today new parents are inundated with tons of information about things to be mindful of when raising their babies and toddlers. Research, laws, social networks and more encourage wearing helmets, strapping kids in car seats, wearing sunscreen, being aware of allergies and eating healthy meals, but I fear that the message about the importance of the fundamental building blocks of early literacy skills are not emphasized nearly enough. Sadly, the reading score numbers we are seeing in our community back this up. Over 50% of the third grade students in the library's service area do not read at grade level with rates as high as 90% in a single school.

Also, unfortunately, I believe there is ample blame to share as regarding this "crisis of reading." Many parents do not have strong reading skills or habits themselves, which do not set a good example for their children. Smart phones and tablets are poor substitutes for a parent, grandparent or caregiver sitting with a child turning the pages of a book and reading together. Having a tradition of going to the library is not integrated in every family; sometimes concerns about being assessed late fines discourages people from checking items out. Another harmful trend over the past two decades has been the disappearance of professionally-degreed school librarians/media specialists and quality school libraries in our K-12 institutions. Even collections of books in preschools and classrooms are often nonexistent or only what a teacher can afford after ensuring that students

have basic school supplies. Last, the notion that print books are somehow outdated or inferior to their electronic counterparts is simply untrue.

While I paint a bleak picture I am optimistic about the future. In my dual role as director of what I feel is one of the best public libraries in the nation and as president of the Rotary Club of Mount Clemens (one of Rotary International's areas of focus is literacy), I am hoping to inspire positive change in our community and beyond. I believe that every baby, toddler and preschooler deserves the opportunity to live a successful life and that being ready to read by the time they begin Kindergarten is critical. To begin, my vision is for every baby born in Macomb County starting in 2019 will have a "baby's first library card," a book and an incentive to include visits to the local public library in each family's routine. I also see this as a community effort and want to collaborate rather than duplicate any efforts already in place. As you may expect, I see our public libraries as the perfect key to help solving this crisis. We offer thousands of books, numerous programs, professional librarians, and safe, welcoming spaces where people can bring their children to get them started on the right foot. Thanks to gifts from the Friends of CMPL, we are now starting to provide classroom collections of professionally selected books to many preschool, first and second grade classrooms.

The reading crisis affects everyone in our community directly or indirectly. We have a long way to go but I believe our community is up to the challenge. I look forward to seeing you and your family in the library soon!

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Behind-the-Scenes Tours of the Main Library With Library Director Larry Neal

Sun., Nov. 4 at 1 p.m. or 4 p.m. ♦ Main Library

Ever wonder where the books go after you put them on the slot with the conveyor belt? Curious about where the library's funding comes from, or who orders \$1 million a year in new materials? Join Library Director Larry Neal for an informative tour of the Main Library and talk about the library system as a whole. **Registration is not required**, just meet up at the comfortable couches in the lobby area.



Tech Help

Maybe you don't need a class, just some assistance. From software to cell phone questions, we have Tech Assistants available to answer your questions.

Main Library: Tuesday & Thursday 3-8 p.m.; alternating Saturdays and Sundays starting Sept. 2, call 226-5040 to confirm.

North Branch: Tuesdays 1-3 p.m. (through mid-Dec.)

South Branch: Monday & Tuesday 1-4pm, Tuesday 5:30-9pm, Thursday 5:30-9pm, and Friday & Saturday 1-6pm.; call 226-5073 to confirm.

iPhone & iPad Classes

We are pleased to continue to offer classes for your iPhone & iPad. These hour-long classes are open to everyone and are held at The Mall at Partridge Creek on Mondays, Thursdays and Saturdays. Please call 226-5040 for details & registration.

Michigan Works

4th Monday from 2-4 p.m. ♦ South Branch

A representative from Michigan Works will be at the South Branch the 4th Monday of every month from 2-4pm. They will provide information and guidance to those seeking employment. This is a free program and no appointment is needed.

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. For information on hours and upcoming specials, please visit <http://cmpl.org/used-book-nook/>

20% off one item at the
Used Book Nook through
12/20/18

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CMPL Book Groups

CMPL offers different book discussion groups to appeal to all types of book lovers!

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

Sept. 8: *The Paris Secret* by Karen Swan

Oct. 13: *Killers of the Flower Moon: The Osage Murders and the Birth of the FBI* by David Grann

Nov. 10: *The Underground Railroad* by Colson Whitehead

Dec. 8: *Island of Sweet Pies and Soldiers* by Sara Ackerman

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

Sept. 18: *The Poacher's Son* by Paul Doiron

Oct. 16: *Promise Not to Tell* by Jennifer McMahon

Nov. 20: *Land of Careful Shadows* by Suzanne Chazin

Dec. 18: *Rest Ye Murdered Gentlemen* by Vicki Delany

Books on Tap

Select Mondays at 7 p.m. ♦ Bar Louie Partridge Creek

Join us for our newest book discussion group! We'll discuss the book at 7 p.m. If you'd like to grab a bite or a pint, join us at 6 p.m. **R**

Mon., Sept. 10: *Crazy Rich Asians* by Kevin Kwan

Mon., Oct. 15: *A Simple Favor* by Darcey Bell

Mon., Nov. 12: *Charlotte Walsh Likes to Win* by Jo Piazza

Computer Classes

Introductory computer classes will continue at the **Main Library**. Each class is two hours long and covers one of the following topics: Computer Basics, Internet Basics, Files & Folders, Word, Excel and PowerPoint. Classes are open to residents of Clinton & Macomb Townships with a library card in good standing. **Call 226-5040 to register starting Tues., Sept. 4.**

Can't come into the library or want more advanced options? Try Gale Courses or Niche Academy. Gale offers online, 6-week, instructor-led courses on a variety of topics: Computers, Accounting, Healthcare, Technology and more. Niche Academy offers self-study options for CMPL databases, digital downloads and social media. Call 226-5040 for more information.



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.*

Thurs., Sept. 13 at 1 p.m. and **Wed., Sept. 19 at 6:30 p.m.:** *Darkest Hour*. Rated PG-13, 125 minutes.

Wed., Oct. 17 at 6:30 p.m. and **Thurs., Oct. 25 at 1 p.m.:** *Book Club*. Rated PG-13, 104 minutes.

Thurs., Nov. 8 at 1 p.m. and **Wed., Nov. 14 at 6 p.m.*:** *Black Panther*. Rated PG-13, 135 minutes.

Thurs., Dec. 13 at 1 p.m. and **Wed., Dec. 19 at 6:30 p.m.:** *Finding Your Feet*. Rated PG-13, 111 minutes.

Do You Love Doing Taxes?

CMPL is looking for a team of volunteers who are willing to be certified by the IRS to assist with some drop-in tax prep hours next year. If you are interested, you will be provided with online training and tests that must be completed in November and December. To be considered, fill out a volunteer application and indicate that you are interested in IRS training. Once trained, we ask that you commit to a specific time once-a-week to volunteer at the library. Customers will come to the library to do their taxes online and you will be on-hand to assist with questions while people fill out their taxes.

Thank You Donors

We'd like to thank the following donors for their monetary contributions in the last quarter:

Mark and Shanda Baniszewski
 Friends of CMPL
 Norma Funke
 Scott and Denise Hamuth
 Miyako Pierson
 Louise Riley
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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, October 10

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

Thursday, October 11

12 p.m.-8 p.m.

Friday, October 12 and Saturday, October 13

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

Sunday, October 14

12:15-3 p.m. - Bag Day

Volunteer at the Used Book Sale

Volunteer at the book sale on the following dates and times: **Mon., Oct. 1, 9:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m., Wed., Oct. 3 & Thurs., Oct. 4 from 4-8 p.m., Fri., Oct. 5 & Sat., Oct. 6 from 9:30 a.m.-2 p.m. Sun., Oct. 7 from 1:15-5 p.m. and Mon., Oct. 15 from 9:30 a.m. - Noon.**

Friends' Annual Meeting

Tues., Sept. 11 at 7 p.m. ♦ Main Library

Even if you're not a member of the Friends of the Library, we'd love for you to attend the annual meeting! The Paul Parente Jazz Quartet will present an hour of free music and the Friends will provide free refreshments! Come celebrate another year of the Friends of the Library at this fun, community event. **No registration is required.**

Bookmark Contest Winners

This spring, we hosted a design-a-bookmark contest for grades K-5. The following students were winners and their designs were made into bookmarks that were available at the library: **Natalie Bolak, Caleigh Friedmann, Mechelle Gin, Katherine Graf, Megan Lucas and Sydney Voss.**



Grandparent Story Time

Wed., Sept. 5 at 10 a.m. ♦ Clinton Twp. Senior Center

Calling all grandmas and grandpas! Grab the grandkids and join us at the Clinton Township Senior Center for a grandparent-themed story time! There will be books, songs, and fun for everyone! This program is intended for preschool age children. **R**

Lego Fun

Sat., Sept. 8 at 10:30 a.m. ♦ Main Library

You supply the Legos and we supply the theme. You have about 30 minutes to have fun building something new, then time to see what everyone else created. Everyone gets a new Lego piece and a Lego kit will be awarded. For ages 7-11. **R**



Signing Time

Mondays: Sept. 10 and Oct. 29 at 10 a.m. ♦ North Branch

Mondays: Oct. 22 and Dec. 10 at 10 a.m. ♦ Main Library

Join our Signing Time instructor, Ms. Kelly, for a fun signing story time. The Signing Time Academy is a part of Little Hands Productions, creator of programming that can be seen on Nick, Jr. and educational programming. This program is for ages 2-5. **R**



Tween Zumba

Sat., Sept. 15 at 3 p.m. ♦ South Branch

Tweens, ages 8-12, will get the chance to be active and jam out to their favorite music. **R**

Car Day

Wed., Sept. 19 at 10 a.m. ♦ North Branch

Bring your Matchbox-sized cars, or other wheeled vehicles, to the North branch where we will have pretend roads for you to drive on and play with other kids. **R**



Library Card Sign Up Month

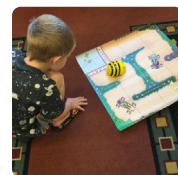
This September, celebrate Library Card Sign Up Month with CMPL as we encourage students in grades K-12 to get a full-access library card with their parent or guardian's permission. Children and teens in grades K-12 who use their own library card during the month of September to checkout at any of our three locations will go into a drawing for a backpack full of books and other fun prizes. Get a library card and check out something incredible!



Fun with Dot and Dash

Sat., Sept. 29 at 2 p.m. ♦ South Branch

Learn the fundamentals of coding through educational and creative play! Kids, ages 6-10, will use Dash and Dot robots as a hands-on learning tool that teaches creativity, logic, and problem solving. Each program is 1 ½ hours. **R**



Registration Information

- When you see this **R** 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. Group registration is not permitted. You can always register online.

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

Story Times

Story times will take place the **week of September 10** through the **week of October 8**. There will be no story times on October 8, due to staff in-service. Session II is the **week of November 5** through the **week of December 3**. Join us:

Main Library ^R

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)
Family Story Time on **Tuesdays** at **6:30 p.m.** (all ages)
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 ^R (November/December sessions only)

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

South Branch ^R

Tot Time Plus on **Tuesdays** at **9:15 a.m.** (12-24 months)
Little Listeners Plus on **Tuesdays** at **10 a.m.** (2 years +)
Little Listeners Plus on **Wednesdays** at **10 a.m.** (2 years +)



Play to Learn

Tues., Sept. 18 at 10 a.m. ♦ North Branch
Tues., Dec. 18 at 10 a.m. ♦ South Branch

This early literacy program is for children ages 2-4 and their parents and caregivers. You and your child will explore early literacy and theme-related activities together at different stations.

The North Branch session will center around *Brown Bear, Brown Bear, What Do You See?* The South Branch session will center around *If You Give a Mouse a Cookie*. ^R

Grow, Play, Learn

Thursdays: Sept. 20 - Oct. 18 at 10 a.m. ♦ South Branch
Fridays: Oct. 19 - Nov. 16 at 10 a.m. ♦ Main Library

As a part of our Family Place Libraries™ initiative, our five-week parent/child workshop is returning this fall. 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 be registered for the program. We ask that families attend only 1 Grow, Play, Learn session per year. ^R



Pajamarama

2nd Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. ♦ South Branch

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



Pajamarama will not be held in December. ^R

Family Story Time

Tues., Sept. 11 at 10 a.m. ♦ North Branch

Join us for stories, songs, and flannel boards for the whole family! **No registration is required.**

PJ Story Time

Tues., Oct. 9 at 10 a.m. ♦ North Branch

Come to the library in your pajamas to hear some bedtime stories! **No registration is required.**

PAWS for Reading

Help your child gain confidence in reading by practicing with a trained dog. **No registration is required.**



Main Library: Call 226-5030 or check the Events calendar for dates and times.

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

Pop-In Play Time

Wed., Oct. 3 and Mon., Nov. 12 from 9-11 a.m. ♦ North Branch

The North Branch hosts unstructured, drop-in play time for babies 0-24 months and their caregivers.

No registration is required.



Sensory Fun

Select Fridays at 10 a.m. ♦ Main Library

Children ages 0-5 are invited to get messy at our sensory fun programs. Sensory play is meant to stimulate some or all of your child's senses during a fun and interactive play time. **R**

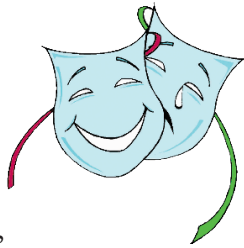
Oct. 5 at 10 a.m. - Autumn Sensory Fun

Dec. 7 at 10 a.m. - Winter Sensory Fun

Intro to Theater

Saturday, Oct. 6 at 2 p.m. ♦ South Branch

Join the 4th Wall Theatre Company as we learn to sing, dance, and act in this 1-hour introduction to theater. Parents will be able to join us for a short play at the end of the program, but will be asked to be outside of the room for most of the program. This program is for ages 6-12. **R**



DIY Birdseed Cake

Wed., Oct. 10 at 7 p.m. ♦ North Branch

All age are welcome at the North Branch to make birdseed cakes using cookie cutters, birdseed, and other bird-friendly ingredients. **R**

Fizzy Science

Sat., Oct. 13 at 2 p.m. ♦ South Branch

Children will explore chemical reactions in a fun, hands-on class. This program is for ages 6-12. **R**



Finger Painting

Mon., Oct. 15 at 10 a.m. ♦ North Branch

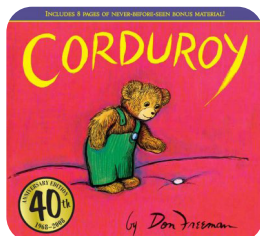


Kids ages 2-6 can join us at the North Branch for a morning of finger painting! Paint and paper will be provided; wear clothes you don't mind getting messy! **R**

Corduroy Movie and Craft Day

Tues., Oct. 16 at 10 a.m. ♦ South Branch

Children ages 2 ½ -5 will enjoy the short movie Corduroy and create a craft. **R**



Life Cycles: When I Was a Baby

Wed., Oct. 17 at 10 a.m. ♦

North Branch

Join the Huron Clinton Metroparks Mobile Learning Center as we learn about life cycles. This program is for ages 3-6. **R**



Salt Painting

Sat., Oct. 20 at 3 p.m. ♦ South Branch

Tweens ages 8-12 will have fun using color, imagination, and salt to create textured art. **R**



Diary of a Wimpy Kid Scavenger Hunt

Week of Oct. 20 - 27 ♦ Main Library

Celebrate the release of *Diary of a Wimpy Kid: The Meltdown* by finding images of characters and objects from the first 12 books. Correct entries will be entered in a drawing to win a copy of book 13. For ages 7-11. **R**

Unbirthday Party

Tues., Oct. 23 at 10 a.m. ♦ North Branch

It doesn't matter when your real birthday is, come to the North Branch to celebrate your unbirthday! Stories, a craft, and cupcakes will be enjoyed by all! For kids ages 2-6. **R**



South Branch Book Clubs

Pick up your free book on the date of the previous book club. **You must register in person at the South Branch.** **R**

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

Sept. 15 - *The Great Cake Mystery* by Alexander McCall Smith

Oct. 20 - *Ranger in Time Escape from the Great Earthquake* by Kate Messner

Nov. 17 - *Sideways Stories from Wayside School* by Louis Sachar

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

Sept. 15 - *Bud, Not Buddy* by Christopher Paul Curtis


Oct. 20 - *National Espionage, Rescue, and Defense Society (N.E.R.D.S.)* by Michael Buckley

Nov. 17 - *Because of Mr. Terupt* by Rob Buyea

Block Party

Thurs., Oct. 25 at 10 a.m. ♦ North Branch

Thurs., Dec. 20 at 10 a.m. ♦ Main Library

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



Halloween Events


Monsters and Mayhem

Wed., Oct. 24 from 5:30-7:30 p.m. ♦ Main Library

Join us for a (not so) scary good time! Monsters and mayhem will take over the library for some creepy crafts, ghostly games, and spooky stories. Costumes are encouraged! **No registration is required.**

Halloween Party

Thurs., Oct. 25 at 6:30 p.m. ♦ South Branch

Wear your costume for your visit with the wacky witch Hazel and have some Halloween fun, spooky crafts, and a treat (no tricks!) for children 12 and under. 


Halloween Dance Party

Tues., Oct. 30 at 10 a.m. ♦ North Branch

Kids ages 2-5, and their caregivers, are invited to dance away the morning to some familiar songs as well as some Halloween tunes! **No registration is required;** costumes optional.

Engineering Challenges

Sat., Nov. 3 at 10:30 a.m. ♦ Main Library

Test your engineering skills with clothespin, binder clip, and craft stick challenges! For grades 4-5. 

Movie Matinee


Tues., Nov. 6 at 11 a.m. ♦ North Branch

Join us for a showing of *Captain Underpants: The First Epic Movie*! Popcorn will be provided; bring your own drink or other snacks as well as a blanket to sit on. **No registration is required.**




Bricks4Kidz

Tues., Nov. 6 at 2 p.m. ♦ Main Library

Experience the world of Legos in this fun engineering class with Bricks4Kidz! This program is for grades 1-5. The theme is amazing animals. 

Looper Weaving Craft

Sat., Nov. 17 at 3 p.m. ♦ South Branch

Tweens 8-12 years old will have fun creating patterns with colorful loopers in this weaving craft project. 

Coloring Day


Tues., Nov. 20 from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. ♦ North Branch

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



Joel Tacey's Comedy Show

Friday, Nov. 23 at 2:30 p.m. ♦ South Branch

Featuring goofy gadgets, wacky stunts, and lots of audience participation, this program will have kids and grown-ups laughing out loud! This program is for children ages 3-12 years old. 

Grab Bag Crafts

Mon., Nov. 26 from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. ♦ North Branch

If you love to cut, glue and color, then join the North Branch for Grab Bag Crafts!


We'll put our favorite crafts from the past year into a bag, and you can pull them out and create them until they are gone. For ages 3-6.

No registration is required.



Escape the Room

Sat., Dec. 1 at 1:30 or 2:45 p.m. ♦ Main Library

Little Red needs our help! The wolf hid the key to Grandma's cottage and locked her out. She can't warn Grandma that he is on his way to gobble her up! Little Red needs your to help her figure out how to open the box with the key and warn Grandma! For grades 4-5. 



Santa

Sat., Dec. 1 at 10:30 a.m. ♦ North Branch

Wed., Dec. 12 at 6:30 p.m. ♦ South Branch

Sat., Dec. 15 at 2 p.m. ♦ Main Library

Santa is taking time out from his busy schedule to share stories at the library. He will be visiting all three branches.

Babies and kids up to age 12 will be able to talk to Santa.

Parents, there will be a photo opportunity, so bring your camera. **R**



'Tis the Season

Sat., Dec. 8 at 2 p.m. ♦ South Branch

Children ages 6-12 will create gifts to keep or give to someone special. **R**

Holiday Crafts

Mon., Dec. 10 ♦ North Branch

Children ages 0-5 are invited to make a handprint reindeer ornament and a variety of other holiday-themed crafts. Each session will be the same program, so please only sign up for one session. Sessions are at: **R**



9 - 9:45 a.m.

9:45 - 10:30 a.m.

10:30 - 11:15 a.m.

11:15 a.m. - 12 p.m.



Cookie Monsters

Tues., Dec. 11 at 10 a.m. ♦ South Branch

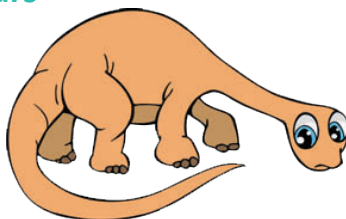
Join us for a yummy story time all about cookies; stories, songs, and a craft for ages 2 ½ to 5. **R**

Little Scientists-Dinosaurs

Thurs., Dec. 13 at 10 a.m.

♦ Main Library

Children ages 2-4 and their caregivers are invited to learn about dinosaurs. **R**



The Hansel and Gretel Project

Sat., Dec. 15 at 11 a.m. ♦

South Branch

Adults and children ages 4-11 will be challenged to construct a seasonal structure using assorted food materials. **R**



Ceramic Tile Abstract Art

Sat., Dec. 15 at 3 p.m. ♦ South Branch

Tweens 8-12 yrs. old will have fun creating beautiful abstract images on a ceramic tile. **R**

Dance Party

Tues., Dec. 18 at 10 a.m. ♦ North Branch

Kids ages 2-5, and their caregivers, are invited to dance away the morning with favorite songs from story time and others! **No registration is required.**

Toy Take Apart

Wed., Dec. 26 at 1:30 p.m. ♦ North Branch

Kids in grades 3-5 are invited to the North Branch to deconstruct some toys to discover what is inside! **R**

Parent-Teacher Collection

A new school year is upon us! Did you know that each location has a Parent-Teacher collection near their children's materials? Teachers, check out this collection for new teaching ideas, extra resources for your classroom, common core, lesson plans, and subject-specific materials. Parents, this collection also contains materials on early literacy, discipline, potty training, childhood nutrition, speech and language, and more!



1000 Books Before Kindergarten

While older children are heading back to school, fall is the perfect time to begin 1000 Books Before Kindergarten program with your young child. Learning to read begins long before a child starts kindergarten. In fact, reading to your children is the best way to prepare them for kindergarten. While this may sound like a lot of books, if you read 1 book a day, you would finish in 2 ½ years. Prizes are available at any location as a child reaches 500 and 1000 books, while they will receive a sticker for every 100 books. Stop in today to pick up your first reading log or join online at <https://cmpl.org/children/1000-Books-kindergarten/>

teen PROGRAMS

Teen Takeover

Monday-Thursday from 2-6 p.m. ♦ South Branch

Teen Takeover is back! Looking for a place to hang out after school? Head to the South Branch for games, activities, and an after-school snack. We're adding even more fun stuff this year. Check it out!

Decompression Day

Sat., Sept. 8 at 4 p.m. ♦

Main Library

Meet up with your friends at the library for pizza and a movie now that your first week of school is done! **R**



Back To School Crafts

Sat., Sept. 15 at 2 p.m. ♦

North Branch

You've got your books and your schedule now let's get organized! Bring your books, notebooks, and schedules and create some crafty covers and handy holders so you can go

back to school in style. **R**

College Crash Course

Tues., Sept. 18 at 6 p.m. ♦ North Branch

Join us for an informative session on how to use library databases for free SAT/ACT prep as well an introduction to databases about Michigan Colleges. Parents are welcome to attend with their students. **R**

Zombies Vs. Unicorns

Mon., Oct. 1 at 6 p.m. ♦ Main

Library

Are you Team Zombie or Team Unicorn? Come dressed to support your team while you compete in challenges and make some tasty Zombie and Unicorn food crafts. Who will win?! **R**



Spooky Printmaking

Fri., Oct. 12 at 4 p.m. ♦ South Branch

Use our printmaking supplies and your creativity to make some ghostly artwork! **R**

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 entering grades 6 through 12. To register call 226-5030 or visit www.cmpl.org.

Homework Problems?

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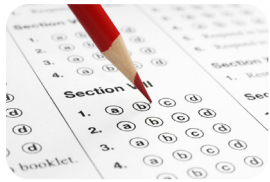
Live tutors can assist you with homework problems every day from 4-11 p.m.

Get started at <http://cmpl.org>

adult PROGRAMS

Big Paper or Test Coming Up?

Check out Tutor.com where you can submit your paper for review and get it back with suggestions or corrections in 12 hours or less, take a practice test for ACT/SAT, or in subjects like Algebra, Biology, English, Physics; you can even get live, one-on-one help with a tutor every day from 4 p.m.-11 p.m. All of this is FREE, just use your CMPL library card or student ID!



Teen Halloween

Fri., Oct. 26 at 4 p.m. ♦ Main Library
Stranger Things have been happening here at the library. Come celebrate all things spooky with some crafts, costumes, and creepy eats. Dress your best for a chance to win our costume prizes. **R**



Vote for Candy

Tues., Nov. 6 at 2 p.m. ♦ North Branch



We're bringing back the International Candy taste test! Vote for your favorite new candy! Note: Because some packaging is in other languages, this program is not recommended for those with severe food allergies. **R**

Cookie Taste Test

Mon., Nov. 12 at 5:30 p.m. ♦ South Branch

Think you know your cookies? Taste a wide variety and try to guess the flavors. Everybody wins because even if you're wrong, you still get cookies! **R**

Bad Art Craft Night

Mon., Dec. 10 at 5 p.m. ♦ South Branch

Join us for a freestyle craft night where you can make some truly crazy crafts, you might even win our "Worst Art" trophy! **R**

Button Making

Fri., Dec. 14 at 4 p.m. ♦ Main Library

Use our art supplies and button maker to make awesome pin-back buttons! **R**

Harry Potter Yule Ball

Sat., Dec. 29 at 2:30 p.m. ♦ Main Library

Brush off your dress robes and get sorted into your house to compete in Triwizard tasks; earn house points, or just relax with some Butterbeer while we play the movie Goblet of Fire. **R**



What's New with Medicare, Q&A, and Open Enrollment

Thurs., Sept. 6 at 10 a.m. ♦ Main Library

Tues., Sept. 11 at 10 a.m. ♦ South Branch

Thurs., Sept. 20 at 10 a.m. ♦ North Branch

Learn about Medicare, open enrollment and get your questions answered when a representative from the Michigan Medicare/Medicaid Assistance Program visits. **R**

Mindfulness Workshop

Thursdays at 7 p.m. ♦ North Branch

Did you miss this series at South Branch last summer? Learn key factors and techniques to obtain success in life and how to develop emotional intelligence through heartfeltness meditation practice in this 4-week workshop with the Heartfulness Institute. Registration for all 4 weeks is encouraged. **R**



Sept. 6: Intro to emotional intelligence and practice relaxation technique.

Sept. 13: Self-regulation. Practice relaxation, meditation techniques and introduction to rejuvenation technique.

Sept. 20: Self-motivation. Importance of goals. Practice relaxation, meditation, and rejuvenation techniques.

Sept. 27: Empathy and social skills. Putting it all together.

Registration Information

When you see this **R** 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.

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.

adult PROGRAMS

Write an Unbeatable Resume!

Mon., Sept. 10 at 6:30 p.m. ♦ Main Library

Learn how to write a targeted resume that will lead to more interviews and job offers. Learn strategies for showcasing the correct information on your resume and designing a resume that is preferred by employers. Find out how to get your resume past the dreaded Applicant Tracking Systems (ATS.) Find out what hiring managers are doing with your resume. **R**

Tai Chi

Tues., Sept. 11 at 2 p.m. ♦ Main Library

Join us for a workshop focusing on using Tai Chi to strengthen your balance. Mark Losinski from the YMCA will repeat the program he presented at the South Branch in May. Please wear comfortable clothes & shoes. **R**



Backyard Birdology

Our backyard birding series continues with presentations by avian experts Pam and Bob Gors of Wild Birds Unlimited Macomb. **R**



Birds of Prey - Owls

North Branch: Tues., Sept. 11 at 7 p.m. or Main Library: Mon., Sept. 17 at 7 p.m.

Owls are classified as raptors or birds of prey which means they hunt and eat other animals. This presentation will introduce you to the owls commonly seen in Michigan. Learn about identification, lifestyle and the unique physiology that allows them to hunt silently at night.

Helping Birds Through Winter

North Branch: Thurs., Oct. 11 at 7 p.m. or Main Library: Mon., Oct. 22 at 7 p.m.

Do birds need our help to make it through winter? Bird survival skills, impacts to their environment, and how our choices in planting trees, shrubs and flowers can make a difference will be discussed.

Demystifying the Naturalization Process

Tues., Sept. 11 at 6:30 p.m. ♦ Main Library

This session is a great tool for any person interested in obtaining U.S. Citizenship, especially permanent residents awaiting their Naturalization interview or who are interested in applying for Naturalization. Frank Castria, Community



Relations Officer, USCIS, will provide pertinent information to assist attendees in understanding the Naturalization/Citizenship process, and, is also beneficial to organizations that have an interest in successfully guiding the general public to U.S. Citizenship. Topics covered will be Permanent Residency, the Naturalization Process (including eligibility requirements, the Citizenship application, interview and exam, and Oath Ceremony), Rights & Responsibilities of U.S. Citizenship, followed by a Q&A Session. **R**

The 1968 Tigers

Wed., Sept. 12 at 7 p.m. ♦ Main Library

Celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Detroit Tigers' World Series win in 1968 with sports writer and commentator Bill Dow. He'll share stories about the players, the iconic stadium and the social context of the Tigers' historic victory. **R**



My Survival Journey

Thurs., Sept. 13 at 6:30 p.m. ♦ Main Library

Irene Miller, a Holocaust survivor, author, speaker, and educator will take you on a survival journey little written and known about. You will sleep in the winter under an open sky on the no man's land. You will freeze in a Siberian labor camp where the bears come to your door front. In Uzbekistan, you will live on boiled grass or onions and shiver with malaria. You will spend years in orphanages. When this is over you will wonder how a child with this background grows up to become a positive, creative, accomplished woman with a joy of living, and love to share. **R**

Writing Your Family History

Sat., Sept. 15 at 10:30 a.m. ♦ South Branch

William Krul, past President of the Polish Genealogy Society of Michigan, will discuss writing your family history, with tips on getting started, and much more. Presented in conjunction with the Polish Genealogy Society of Michigan. **R**

Knit and Crochet Meet Up

Thursdays: Sept. 6, Sept. 20, Oct. 4, Oct. 18, Nov. 1, Nov. 15, Nov. 29, Dec. 13 and Dec. 27 at 6 p.m. ♦ Main Library

Bring your own project and hang out while you work on your new creation! All ages and skill levels are welcome. Please bring your own supplies. **No registration is required.**



Women of Motown

Thurs., Sept. 20 at 7 p.m. ♦ Main Library

Our favorite Wayne State University Professor and Music Historian, ML Liebler, is back! This time he will present a multi-media lecture on the Women of



Motown. ML will weave the music with the back story, and discuss the pivotal role women had in shaping Motown. **R**

Where Are All the Jobs?

Mon., Sept. 24 at 6:30 p.m. ♦ South Branch

Find your next great employment opportunity by utilizing your resume, LinkedIn and other job search tools. Learn strategies and tips for building a LinkedIn profile. Understand job postings to build targeted resumes. Learn how to network with recruiters and hiring managers to land more interviews. Get tips on preparing for career fairs and networking events. **R**



Travel Talk-Alaska

Mon., Sept. 24 at 6:30 p.m. ♦ Main Library

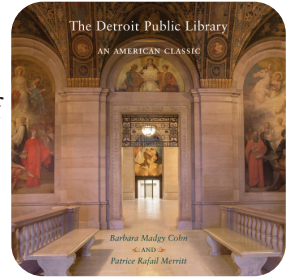
Join local educator Kimberly Lolich-Stout to learn about Alaska, our 49th state. Kimberly is a well-traveled Environmental Studies teacher who will share her love of travel and teach us about the natural beauty of Alaska. **R**



Detroit Public Library: An American Classic

Tues., Sept. 25 at 2 p.m. ♦ Main Library

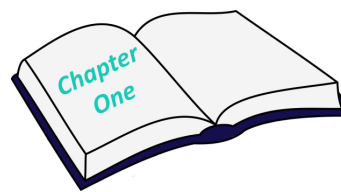
Join us for the presentation by Barbara Cohn who is the author of the book *The Detroit Public Library: An American Classic*. The Detroit Public Library is an important landmark as well as a significant monument serving generations of Detroit's community. The book was born out of "Discover the Wonders," an art and architectural tour of the main library that began in December 2013. This presentation will highlight the conception and building of the 1921 Woodward Avenue Library, the 1963 Cass Avenue addition and the library as it is today. The lecture unites the interest of history buffs, art enthusiasts, library lovers and Detroit-area locals with a tribute to one of the city's most impressive structures. **R**



Chapter One

Wed., Sept. 26 at 7 p.m. ♦ Main Library

Fall into reading with librarians Kate, Meghan, Sarah and Celia for a night of book buzz and recommendations



in a variety of genres. Catch up on the books we enjoyed plus discover the inside scoop on hot reads for the fall! **R**

Cooking the Books

Sat., Sept. 29 at 11 a.m. ♦ South Branch

It's time to start hunting for recipes for Cooking the Books. The theme for this session is appetizers. You should find the recipe in one of our cookbooks, bring a copy of the recipe

(be sure to include the title of the book) and enough for 20 people to sample. The library will provide paper products and


make copies of the recipes. You'll be requested to sign a disclaimer form at the program and we'll be distributing copies of the recipe so everyone is aware of the ingredients. Those attending must bring a dish. **R**



Credit Repair and Estate Planning Help

Tues., Oct. 2 at 6:30 p.m. ♦ South Branch

Tues., Oct. 16 at 6:30 p.m. ♦ Main Library


Katie Strickfaden is an attorney with Lakeshore Legal Aid, a nonprofit law firm that provides free legal services to low income individuals and seniors. 

South Branch: Getting the Credit You Deserve: Credit Reporting & Repair

Main Library: Planning for Your Future: Expert Tips on Small Estate Planning

Home Improvement and Repair

Tues., Oct. 9 at 7 p.m. ♦ North Branch

Are you thinking of sprucing up your home before the holiday season? Learn the consumer facts about hiring contractors, and paying for home improvement projects. A representative from the Attorney General's office will explain what to look for and guide you to ask the right questions when hiring home repair help. 




DIA Bus Trip

Thurs., Oct. 11 at 12 p.m. ♦ Main Library

A bus from the Detroit Institute of Arts will pick us up at the Main Library and take us down to the DIA for




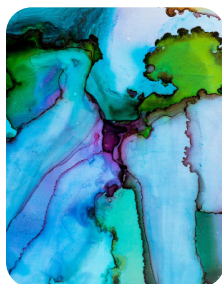
a curator talk and a cookie and coffee snack! Participants must be 55+. We will be at the museum until 3 p.m. and will return around 4 p.m. Registration begins

Sept. 11. We must have a minimum of 25 people registered by September 27 in order to secure the bus. The bus accommodates between 25-50 people. Group registration is not permitted. 

Alcohol Ink Painting


Sat., Oct. 13 at 10 a.m. ♦ North Branch

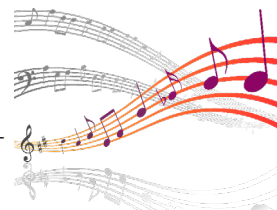
Learn a new free-form style of painting with alcohol ink. We'll be creating abstract landscapes on a large ceramic tile with airbrush-like techniques. Please wear old clothes; this program could be messy. 



Music of Shakespeare's Time

Tues., Oct. 23 at 6:30 p.m. ♦ Main Library

Join us for a concert presented by Anne & Rob Burns as *A Reasonable Facsimile*. This concert introduces Renaissance dance music and songs from inside and outside the plays of Shakespeare. During William Shakespeare's time (1564-1616), musicians of theatre companies selected music to drive the plays and to keep the both the peasants and the nobility happy between scenes. Anne and Rob Burns choose appealing music from Elizabethan England to invoke the spirit of those earlier musicians and to delight modern audiences. To lend authenticity to the Shakespearean sound, the duo plays on copies of Renaissance instruments including recorders, flutes, shawms, strings and percussion. 



Paint Party


Sat., Oct. 27 at 10 a.m. ♦ South Branch

Our popular Paint Party program is back! Join instructor Courtney Gray from Brighten Your Gray LLC. Everyone will be creating a small fall scene on canvas while enjoying some refreshments. No painting experience required. This program runs about 2 hours. 




Haunted Macomb

Mon., Oct. 29 at 6:30 p.m. ♦ Main Library

Do you believe in ghosts? Local author and paranormal investigator Kathleen Tedsen will share stories of haunted locations, right on our own backyard! Kathleen has written numerous books on the hauntings around Michigan and has appeared on the Syfy Channel on the show *Paranormal Witness*. 

NaNoWriMo Kick-Off Event

Thurs., Nov. 1 at 6:30 p.m. ♦ Main Library

November is National Novel Writing Month! Have you thought of writing a novel but, for whatever reason, haven't done it? Now's your chance! Join us for the kick-off of NaNoWriMo where we'll explain what it is, how it works, and share tips and tricks for completing the challenge. New and seasoned participants of all ages are welcome. 



NaNoWriMo Write-In

Sundays: Nov. 4, 11, 18 and 25 at 12 p.m. ♦ Main Library

November is National Novel Writing Month! Each week we are hosting an all-day, open write-in. Drop in any time throughout the day to work on your novel with other participants. At 3 p.m. we will have an optional check-in where you will have the opportunity to share what you're working on with the group. **No registration is required.**

How to Eat Healthier for the Holidays

Tues., Nov. 6 at 7 p.m. ♦ Main Library

Learn how to make healthy eating choices and still enjoy the holiday season, with Tricia Bishoff, a registered dietitian from the Henry Ford Macomb Hospital Center for Weight Management. **R**



Faygo! The History of Pop

Wed., Nov. 7 at 6:30 p.m. ♦ Main Library

"The Faygo Book" is the social history of a company that has forged a bond with a city and its residents for more than a century. The story of Faygo, Detroit's beloved soda pop, begins over a hundred years ago with two Russian immigrant brothers who were looking to get out of the baking business. Author Joe Grimm mixes the ingredients of a successful beverage company created in dicey times in a boom-and-bust town. "The Faygo Book" is the story of a pop, a people, and a place. These stories and facts will tickle the taste buds and memories of Detroiters and Faygo lovers everywhere. There WILL be a pop quiz (and pop!). **R**



Gratitude Journals

Sat., Nov. 10 at 10:30 a.m. ♦ North Branch

Open your heart and schedule to make your very own gratitude journal! In this season of thanksgiving, adults and youth ages 10 and up are welcome to be creative in making their own journal where you can write what you are thankful for, and share the conversation of being grateful. Please register each person who will be attending and wants to make a journal. **R**



Drone Club

The CMPL Drone Club is gearing up to meet again. We are even ready to fly! If you have a drone, or are simply interested in learning more about them, please email drones@cmpl.org We will reach out with information about the next meeting.



Game Day

Sat., Nov. 10 from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. ♦ Main Library



We're celebrating International Games Week with an all day gaming event! We will have everything from board games to indoor lawn games to puzzles. Drop in any time throughout the day, no experience required. This program is for teens and adults. **No registration is required.**

Michigan's Most Dangerous Women

Tues., Nov. 13 at 7 p.m. ♦ Main Library

Take a walk on the dark side with true crime author Tobin T. Buhk as he introduces us to some of the most notorious murderesses, madams, and molls from Michigan's malevolent past. **R**

DIY Winter Centerpiece

Sat., Dec. 8 at 10:30 a.m. ♦ North Branch

Create a festive centerpiece in a small glass hurricane with pinecones and wintry accents. **R**

Quilled Paper Crafts

Tues., Dec. 11 at 2 p.m. ♦ Main Library

Quilling is the art of rolling thin strips of colorful paper into various shapes and designs. Using some simple quilling techniques we will be creating cards and gift tags that make lovely, handmade gifts. **R**

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MUSIC AT MAIN

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

Tues., Sept. 11 at 7:15 p.m.: *The Paul Parente Jazz Quintet.* Performing a variety of your favorite well-known jazz tunes from artists such as Duke Ellington, as well as swing songs from Frank Sinatra, Ella Fitzgerald and others. Paul Parente, Trumpet Soloist, is the founder and co-leader with his fiancée, Susana Woloson who plays trombone and sings vocals. They both have decades of professional music experience and are excited to share it with the audience. The remainder of the quintet is comprised of other professional musicians, all local to the Detroit area with decades of experience.

Sun., Oct. 28 at 2 p.m.: *Belleau Notte.* This melodic music from around the world has a classical/folk tone, which will take us on a journey to Ireland, Italy, Portugal, Norway, Russia, France, Cuba, and more.

Sun., Dec. 2 at 2 p.m.: Metro Detroit Jazz Orchestra. This group will play some Christmas classics combined with some classic big band jazz.

Thank You!

Thank you to the Friends of Macomb Foundation! This organization awarded CMPL \$2,000 from fundraising efforts as part of their community outreach. The funds were used to buy a new early literacy items for the kids at the North Branch.