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**Renew Your Reading** 

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# FROM the DIRECTOR...

This issue of Library Matters focuses on one of the library's core purposes—encouraging reading! With a collection of over 450,000 items to read, listen to, watch and use, there is definitely something for

everyone from babies to centenarians. You can read alone, be read to, or read and discuss with friends old and new. You can enjoy books in a variety of formats, including traditional print books, large type books, ebooks, audiobooks on CD, downloadable and streaming audiobooks, talking books (for those eligible for Macomb Library for the Blind and Print Disabled), and even Playaway audiobook/player combos.

With such a vast collections of items to choose from, it can be tough at times to figure out where to start. Of course, family and friends are always a great resource, but don't forget the library's team of professional librarians who can help point you in the right direction. Understanding your personal preferences and values, authors you have enjoyed, and parameters in a school assignment are just a few of the topics a librarian may discuss with you to help you develop a great reading list. Don't have time to talk to a librarian or are reading this column when the library is closed and want to get a good start? Use our Ten in 10 personalized recommendation service (https://cmpl.org/ten-in-10) to complete a short online interview to receive your own personalized suggested list of titles.

Last, if you are tired of living in a two-dimensional, electronic world, I invite you to enjoy our wonderful library buildings and collections in 3-D. There is still nothing like the joy of the printed book, turning its pages, and not being interrupted by dings, vibrations, popup messages and low battery warnings. Bumping into a neighbor, fellow parishioner, former classmate, coworker, or just saying "hello" to one of your favorite library staff members may trigger that nice sense of joy and connection that has been missing in all of our lives over these past two years.

We look forward to serving you and your family in the near future.

Larry P. Neal | Director | (586) 226-5011 | lneal@cmpl.org

On cover: Mom Amanda, and children, Sarah and Andrew look for something good to check out at the Main Library.

# **New North Branch Donors**

We wish to extend our sincere thanks and appreciate to the many donors who funded several items that make the building special. We are still accepting donations. Please contact Library Director Larry Neal at (586) 226-5011 or lneal@ cmpl.org for further information.

7.581 acres of land - Macomb Township Board of Trustees on behalf of the residents

<u>terrazzo compass medallion & right-of-way sidewalk</u> -Friends of CMPL

alphabet whirligig - Mount Clemens Rotary

motorized scooter - Catherine Mazzola in memory of Giuseppina and Angelo Mazzola

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<u>opening day collection</u> - Paul & Kristine Boor in honor of Paige & Nicholas; Emily Davisson in honor of The Three Davisson Brothers; Arlene Frontiera; Patricia Liva in honor of all our wonderful pets!; Lois Merline in honor of Mitchell Merritt; Laurie Morris in honor of Sadie, Madeline, Emerson, Scott, Kristin & Jamie; Connie Spector in memory of David Jaworoski and John Joseph Gordon; and Barb Wickham

# **Poetry Contest**

In spring we will once again partner with Tomlinson Arboretum committee members to create a Poetry Walk in the Arboretum. This year we'd like to display your poem in the park! One poem will be selected from each of four grade level categories, plus adults. Watch our website and social media for more information about the contest.

- Poems must address the theme of trees or nature in general.
- Each line of the poem should be less than 40 characters and the poem must fit on an 8x14 in page at 18 point font.
- Poems are due on or before Feb. 28.
- Poets whose work is selected to be posted in the Arboretum will receive a \$20 Barnes & Noble gift card.

### Self-Service Study Rooms at the North Branch

Did you know that our new North Branch has nine study rooms that can be reserved from the comfort of your home and then accessed with a 4-digit pin? That's right, no staff intervention is needed. CMPL collaborated with OpenPath, our access control vendor, and Communico, our reservation software vendor, to integrate the two systems and



create a state-of-the-art room booking application. To reserve a study room, simply visit **www.cmpl.org** and select Services and Specialties then click on Meeting and Study Rooms. Our Main Library and South Branch will transition to the new system in 2022. For assistance booking a study room, view the video on the Meeting and Study Room page.

### **Musical Instruments**

The exterior of the North Branch now has musical instruments along the walkway to the front door. Stop by and play the penta post, major and minor harmony flow-



ers, babel drums, rainbow sambas, cavatina, and sonora on your next visit!

# **Community Mosaic**

### Fri., Jan. 14 | North Branch

The North Branch will unveil a brand new work of art this winter. Artist Gail Christofferson assembled this mosaic that highlights life in Macomb Township. The mosaic, titled Our Macomb Home, will be available to view on Jan. 14 at 11 a.m. Stop in anytime we're open to see the mosaic. The first 75 visitors on Jan. 14 may pick up a take and make mosaic project, courtesy of the Anton Art Center, to complete at home.

In partnership with the Detroit Institute of Arts (DIA), Clinton-Macomb Public Library, and the Anton Art Center, the North Branch mosaic is made possible through generous community investment in the DIA's millage for the purpose of enriching the quality of life in Macomb County.

# Library Board News

### Library Board Trustee Barbara Brown

Barbara Brown recently resigned from the Library Board due to health reasons. She joined the Library Board in 1998 and has served as Treasurer for her entire tenure. In recognition of her years of service as a highly dedicated member reviewing and signing thousands of accounts payable checks; researching the best interest rates for the library's investments; and providing invaluable input during the library's five building projects and three successful millage campaigns, the Library Board has bestowed the honorary title of Trustee Emerita on her. Barb will be greatly missed. We wish her and her family all the best in the future. Library Board members are appointed by the two townships for four-year terms.

### **Congratulations to Camille Silda**

Camille, CMPL Board President, was recently honored with the Beacon of Economic Development from Macomb County. Camille worked for Macomb County Planning and Economic Development for more than 36 years, serving the needs of a variety of businesses and industries, including medical and automotive manufacturing. She worked with more than 100 companies during her tenure, assisting them with expansions or locating their manufacturing sites. Camille helped these companies invest more than \$1 billion in new facilities, machinery, and equipment in Macomb County. These investments also created more than 5,000 new jobs. Congratulations, Camille!

# 2022 Resolution: Read more!

It's that time of year again! It's time to start a new year and plan all the ways you're going to make little changes in your life. Why not start with an easy one? Read more! Reading has a variety of positive benefits, no matter your age. Don't forget, listening to audiobooks is another great way to read on the go!

But first, we want to help you find what you're looking for when you come to CMPL. There are variety of ways to find what you're looking for.

- 1. Use the online catalog. Visit https://cmpl.org to search our online catalog. Look for books by title, author, keyword, or subject. Can't find what you're looking for?
- 2. Change the online catalog search parameters to search for book using the Michigan eLibrary (MeL). You can access items from other libraries across the state of Michigan. Still no luck?
- 3. Stop by a reference desk at any CMPL location. Our librarian team is always willing to help you find what you're looking for!
- 4. Do you know what you want, but we don't have it? Do you live in the CMPL service area? Fill out a Request a Purchase form and tell us what you'd like to see in the collection. Find it at https://cmpl.org/ suggest-a-purchase/

Read on to explore the different reading challenges and initiatives CMPL offers to help you reignite your love of reading in 2022.

# World Read Aloud Day

### Wed., Feb. 2

In its 12th year, World Read Aloud Day has called attention to the importance of sharing stories by challenging participants to grab a book, find an audience, and read-aloud. Join CMPL on our social media on Feb. 2 to see some of our staff's favorite read-alouds throughout the day. Join our celebration when you:

- Snap a photo or video of you reading aloud and share with @CMPLPics on Instagram.
- Challenge three of your friends to join in the fun.
- Use the hashtags #WRADChallenge, #WorldReadAloudDay, and #CMPLWorldReadAloudDay



# Winter Reading Wed., Jan. 12-Sat., Feb. 26 | All locations

The cold winter days provide plenty of opportunity to participate in Winter Reading at CMPL! All ages



need to read for 20 days between January 12 and February 26 to complete the program. Log your reading online at

**cmpl.beanstack.org/reader365** or stop by any location to pick up a calendar. Once you have read 20 days, you'll receive a prize. Take time to enjoy a book this winter and you could be rewarded for it!



# **Renew Your Reading**

A year-long reading challenge for adults

From January 1 to December 30, 2022, challenge yourself by reading six books from the following eight categories:

- A favorite book from childhood
- A book in a non-novel format (e.g. poetry, graphic novel, novella)
- A book recommended by a friend or family member
- A book with a one-word title
- A book by an author of color
- A book with a yellow cover
- The 1-2-3 book for adults: *Maybe You Should Talk to Someone* by Lori Gottlieb
- A book from the 2022 Chapter One list

Residents of the CMPL service area who complete six prompts are entered for the following prizes:

• A completion pin and an entry into a raffle for a basket full of gift cards for a night on the town courtesy of CMPL.

After you've finished, visit any CMPL location to claim your prize. Please note: You MUST read six books to be entered into the prize drawing. The winner will be notified in early January 2023.

# Adaptive Technology Lending Program

Macomb Library for the Blind and Print Disabled (MLBPD) was recently awarded the Improving Access to Information Grant to develop a library service for community users with limited online access. The grant award allows MLBPD to offer an Adaptive Technology Lending Program (ATLP) to community organizations throughout Macomb County who serve individuals with visual, physical, or reading disabilities. Some of the items in-

cluded in the lending program are Wi-Fi hotspots, Echo Dots, iPods, and Amazon Fire tablets. In addition to offering a technology suite, MLBPD will provide digital and health literacy instruction to ensure that individuals with a disability



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have the opportunity to develop the necessary skills to use technology successfully and to access information effectively. MLBPD hopes to expand digital inclusion within the disabled community through the ATLP project. *Funding is provided in part by the Institute of Museum and Library Services through the Library of Michigan.* 

# **Ongoing Reading Challenges for Children**

Our outreach librarians visit schools throughout the year to tell students about the different reading challenges available. Parents, you can log your child's reading in Beanstack, the account that is used for Summer Reading. Learn more about the challenges available and register at https://cmpl.org/childrens-reading-challenges/.



# Movies

# Family Programs

Movie matinees and nights are back at the Main Library! Join us in-person to enjoy a movie on the big screen. **No registration is required.** 

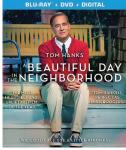


### In the Heights

Thurs., Jan. 13 at 1 p.m. and Wed., Jan. 19 at 6 p.m. Rated PG-13, 143 minutes

Harriet Thurs., Feb. 10 at 1 p.m. and Wed., Feb. 16 at 6:30 p.m. Rated PG-13, 125 minutes





A Beautiful Day in the Neighborhood Thurs. March 10 at 1 p.m. and Wed., March 16 at 6:30 p.m. Rated PG, 109 minutes

Black Widow Thurs., April 14 at 1 p.m. and Wed., April 20 at 6:30 p.m. Rated PG-13, 133 minutes



# Facebook Chats

### Select dates and times | Facebook

Get to know your librarians, learn about books and materials you'll want to check out and just have some fun. Visit our Facebook page at

facebook.com/Clinton-Macomb-Public-Library to view these events.

**2nd Wednesday at 12 p.m.**: PopMat Chat **3rd Monday at 2 p.m.**: Children's Chat

# Family Jigsaw Puzzle Contest Sun., Jan. 23 at 2 p.m. | Main Library

Too cold to play outside? Bring the family for a fun

afternoon in the library! Family jigsaw puzzles have small, medium, and large pieces in the same box. Teams may have up to 6 members who are in the same family, but only the



team captain should register. A prize will be awarded to the family that finishes first.

# Gratitude Journals (1-2-3)

# Sun., Feb. 20 at 2 p.m. | Main Library

Open your heart and schedule to start a gratitude journal! Studies show that expressing gratitude has a positive impact on our well-being. Adults and youth ages 10

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and up are welcome to be creative in making their own journal to record what they are thankful for, and start the practice of being grateful. Please register each person who will make a journal.

# **Program Registration Information**

**Registration is required for all online programs.** A library card is required for registration. Priority registration is given to residents in our service area and opens *two* weeks prior to the event. Before the program you will receive an email with details about how to join via the web service Zoom.

You may register online at http://cmpl.libnet.info/ events or call us at (586) 226-5000 to have us register for you. If you would prefer to participate in an event via phone, call us to register. We will make sure you get the phone number to call to connect to the program by phone.

For the safety of our librarians and your fellow program attendees, we ask that anyone who is experiencing symptoms of, or has been recently exposed to, COVID-19 to please refrain from attending library programs in person. Thank you for your cooperation.

# Book Discussions for Children

# **Book Blasters Book and a Craft** Saturdays at 2 p.m. | Zoom

Children ages 7-9 can read a book and create a craft. Register the month prior to each event to ensure that you receive a book kit.

Jan. 22: Frindle by Andrew Clements Feb. 26: The Extraordinary Life of Katherine Johnson by Divika Jina March 26: Magic Tree House: Hurricane Heroes in Texas by Mary Pope Osborne April 23: Agent Moose by Mo O'Hara

# Mo O'Hara **Xtreme Readers Book and a Craft**

Saturdays at 2 p.m. | Zoom

Children ages 10-12 can read a book and create a craft. Register the month prior to each event to ensure that you receive a book kit.

Jan. 15: Space Case by Stuart Gibbs Feb. 19: Middle School, the Worst Years of My Life by James Patterson March 19: Trespassers by Breena Bard April 16: A Year Down Yonder by Richard Peck

# Graphic Novel Book Club (GNBC)

Mon., Feb. 21 at 11 a.m. | Main Library Kids ages 9-12 are invited to discuss and discover new graphic novels. Come discuss City of Secrets by Victoria Ying. Book pickup begins on Jan. 24 at 9 a.m.

# Book Discussions for Teens

# **Teen Book Club**

### Select Saturdays at 4 p.m. | Main Library or Zoom

Teens in grades 6-12 are invited to join a book discussion in-person or online in these hybrid events.

Sat., Feb. 26: The Perks of Being a Wallflower by Stephen Chbosky Sat., April 23: On the Come Up by Angie Thomas



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# Book Discussions for Adults

# **Books on Tap**

# 2<sup>nd</sup> Mondays at 6 p.m. | Bar Louie at Partridge Creek



Discuss a fiction title with other book lovers.

Jan. 10: The Midnight Library by Matt Haig Feb. 14: One to Watch by Kate Stayman-London March 14: Black Bottom Saints by Alice Randall **April 11:** *The Last Flight* by Julie Clark

# Let's Get Real

# 3<sup>rd</sup> Mondays at 6 p.m. | Main Library

Join our book discussion group featuring some of the best nonfiction titles published in recent years!



Jan. 17: Good Morning Monster: A therapist shares five heroic stories of emotional recovery by Catherine Gildiner Feb. 21: The Sisters of Auschwitz: The true

story of two Jewish sisters' resistance in the heart of Nazi territory by Roxane van Iperen March 21: These Precious Days: Essays by Ann Patchett

April 18: The Polar Bear Expedition: The heroes of America's forgotten invasion of Russia, 1918-1919 by James Carl Nelson

# **Mystery Book Discussion**

3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays at 10 a.m. | Zoom Mystery lovers will enjoy a lively discussion.



Attica Locke

Jan. 18: Thin Ice by Paige Shelton Feb. 15: Bluebird, Bluebird by Attica Locke March 15: The Mountains Wild by Sarah Stewart Taylor April 19: Crimson Lake by Candice Fox

# South Branch Book Discussion 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturdays at 12 p.m. | South Branch

Meet other book lovers at this discussion.



Jan. 8: The Love Story of Missy Carmichael by Beth Morrey (1-2-3) Feb. 12: The Book of Lost Friends by Lisa Wingate March 12: Everything Here Is Beautiful by Mira T. Lee 1-2-3

April 9: Britt-Marie Was Here by Fredrik Backman

Registration is required for all events unless otherwise noted. See page 6.



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Please note: In-person programs may be rescheduled to online Zoom events if there are a high number of COVID cases in our area. See the Events calendar for more information.

# CMPL ESL Conversations Group Saturdays at 10 a.m. | Main Library

Are you learning English? Come converse with others who are learning English too. The Main Library will host an English as a Second Language Conversation Group on Saturdays from 10 a.m.-12 p.m. This is a wonderful opportunity for English language-learners to strengthen conversation skills. **No registration is required.** 

# **Bullet Journaling**

### Wed., Jan. 5 at 6 p.m. | Main Library

It's a new year: time to get organized! We'll be making



our own "bullet journal" style planners to keep track of appointments, meetings, and everyday tasks. Bring your own notebook or use one of ours.

# **Knit and Crochet Meet Up**

Thursdays: Jan. 6, Jan. 20, Feb. 3, Feb. 17, March 3, March 17, March 31, April 14, and April 28 at

# 6 p.m. | Main Library

Do you enjoy crocheting, knitting, or another craft? Hang out and show off your new creations! All ages and skill levels are welcome.



# **18+ Dungeons and Dragons**

Thursdays: Jan. 20, Feb. 17, March 17, and April 21 at 6 p.m. | Main Library

Join us for monthly Dungeons and Dragons at the Main Library! Please either come with a character already made or you can choose from our pre-made options.

# Suicide: The Ripple Effect 1-2-3

# Thurs., Jan. 27 at 6:30 p.m. | North Branch

CMPL, Macomb County Suicide Prevention Coalition and community sponsors invite you and your family to Suicide: The Ripple Effect, a feature-length documentary film. The film focuses on the effects of suicide and the ripple effects of advocacy, inspiration and hope that are helping millions heal and stay alive.

# **Medicare/Medicaid Assistance**

Tuesdays: Jan. 18, Feb. 15, March 15, and April 19 from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. | South Branch

Fridays: Jan. 7, Feb. 4, March 4, and April 1 from

**10 a.m.-4 p.m. | Main Library** Medicare/Medicaid counseling sessions will take place by appointment only at the Main Library and South Branch. Please call Medicare Medicaid Assistance Program (MMAP) at (800) 803-7174 to schedule your appointment.



# Medicare 101

# Sat., Jan. 22 at 10 a.m. | Main Library Sat., April 30 at 10 a.m. | South Branch

Not sure which plan is best for you? Learn about your options for signing up for Medicare. The team from the Medicare Medicaid Assistance Program from AAA1b can help you compare plans, explain enrollment options and find out what you qualify for.

# Becoming the Motor City: A Timeline of Detroit's Auto Industry

# Sat., Jan. 15 at 3 p.m. | Main Library

Paul Vachon will cover highlights from his latest book,



including Henry Ford's two attempts to become an automaker before he started Ford Motor Company, and the heavyhanded tactics General

Motors used against Ralph Nader when he raised the alarm about auto safety. A PowerPoint presentation will share some of the book's more dynamic images, while the commentary will discuss some of the lesser-known facts surrounding local auto lore.

# **Detroit's Birwood Wall**

### Wed., Feb. 9 at 7 p.m. | North Branch

In 1941 the Birwood Wall was built in order to separate neighborhoods in Detroit's West 8 Mile community. Gerald Van Dusen tells the history of the infamous wall, the isolated black enclave that persevered despite the racial barriers, and how they transformed this symbol of discrimination into one of strength and hope.

# Programs for Adults

# Hybrid Programs for Adults

### **Seed Starters**

#### Tues., March 15 at 2 p.m. | Main Library

Which plants are best started indoors? Which potting soil is best? When do you transplant your plants to your back yard? Learn the answers to these questions and start your own tiny veggie garden.



### Adopt-A-Stream with CRWC

#### Wed., March 30 at 6:30 p.m. | North Branch

Clinton River Watershed Council ecologist Eric Diesing will train you on how to protect our local streams and rivers as an official Adopt-A-Stream volunteer. Volunteers are trained, teamed-up, assigned sites, given equipment, then sent out into the field to gather information on water quality, streamside habitats, aquatic insect populations, and other essential data.

### Substance Abuse: Prevention, Care and Hope Wed., April 20 at 7 p.m. | South Branch 123

Substance use disorders are often linked to underlying mental health disorders. In this session, members of the Clintondale Coalition will share warning signs as well as strategies to prevent drug and alcohol use, as they work towards their mission of mobilizing the community to reduce substance use and lead youth to a drug and alcohol free life.

# Bath Tub Gin and Rum Running in Detroit and Michigan

#### Thurs., April 21 at 7 p.m. | North Branch

Detroit was named the Rum Capital of the Nation



by the New York Times during Prohibition. Rum running, smuggling, illegal stills, and "blind pigs" sprang up within hours of the start of Prohibition and thrived for the next 14 years. Corruption

reached new highs and Detroit's notorious Purple Gang took over the liquor trade. The Purples were so strong they told Al Capone to stay out of Michigan - and he did! Retired history instructor and librarian Joseph Oldenburg will present this interesting story.

### Intro to Tai Chi 1-2-3

#### Fri., April 22 at 10 a.m. | Main Library

Tai Chi instructor Garry Cabbil teaches an introduction to Tai Chi, including its benefits and the basic moves.

# **Mitten Tales and Talk**

**1st Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m. | Main Library & Zoom** Relax and listen to a short story read aloud by a librarian, followed by a discussion. All stories relate to Michigan! This is a hybrid event. Registrants may attend in person at the Main Library, or online through Zoom. Please specify whether you plan to attend on Zoom or in person. All registrants will be sent the Zoom link regardless of their choice.

Jan. 5: Norwegian for Troll by Caitlin Horrocks Feb. 2: How to Be an Expatriate by Peter Ho Davies March 2: Retreat by Dorene O'Brien April 6: An Affliction of Starlings by Craig Bernier

# Author Talk with Christie Tate Mon., Feb. 28 at 6:30 p.m. | Main Library & Zoom

Christie Tate, author of the bestselling memoir Group, will be joining us to discuss her book and her experiences in group therapy along with a guest panelist. Please specify whether you plan to attend on Zoom or in person.



# Craft Programs for Adults

### Tiny Art Show Sat., Jan. 15 | South Branch

Display your artistic talents in our Tiny Art Show to be held at the South Branch Feb. 1-26. Register Jan. 1-15 to reserve your kit. This program is for adults and children 8-12 years old. See page 16 for full details.

# Intro to Crochet

### Sat., Feb. 5 at 10:30 a.m. | North Branch

This is an introductory course to crochet. Attendees will learn how to make a foundation chain, how to do

the single crochet and chain stitches, and how to read a pattern. By the end of the class, attendees should be able to make a simple dishcloth. All materials will be provided.



# Mandala Painting

#### Sat., Feb. 26 at 10 a.m. | South Branch

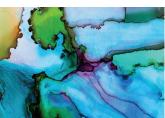
Relax and unwind as you create a colorful mandala painting. We will be using a 4x4 square panel and dotter tools with acrylic paints. Wear clothes that you don't mind getting some paint on.

# Craft Programs for Adults

# **Alcohol Ink Decorative Dish**

Fridays: March 11 or April 1 at 10 a.m. Saturdays: March 5 or March 19 at 10 a.m. | North Branch

Create an abstract design in a small dish with alcohol inks. Please wear old clothes; this program could be messy. The same program will be held on four



dates; please sign up for only one session.



# Friendship Bracelets Sat., April 23 at 11 a.m. | Main Library

Remember friendship bracelets? So much fun, and so easy to learn. Bring your bestie and relearn how to make them, or learn for the first time. Families welcome.

# Virtual Adult Programs

# **Writing Group**

Tuesdays: Jan. 4, Feb. 1, March 2, and April 5 at 6:30 p.m. | Zoom

Join us virtually via Zoom to practice and discuss writing in a supportive and encouraging environment. Writers of all ages welcome. Please



be sure to include your email when registering.

# **Regency Aesthetics: Bridgerton's Costumes, Locations and Décor**

### Wed., Jan. 12 at 7 p.m. | Zoom

Waiting for Bridgerton, Season 2? Michelle Fitzgerald, curator of the Johns Hopkins University Museums, talks about the material world of the hit Netflix series and what it might teach us about the real 19th century.

# **Trivia Live!**

# Tuesdays: Jan. 25, Feb. 22, March 29, and April 26 at 6:30 p.m. | Zoom

Join us for a fun night of pub style trivia. Each week will have new categories with a prize going to the winner!

# **GRIST with Abra Berens**

#### Tues., Jan. 18 at 6:30 p.m. | Zoom

Let us start 2022 with "National Bean Day" at CMPL! Abra Berens the author of *Grist: A Practical Guide to Cooking Grains, Beans, Seeds, and Legumes* shares healthy bean recipes for you! Abra, a James Beard semifinalist for Outstanding Chef: Great Lakes and the author of Ruffage, shares more than 300 recipes and variations, plus



substantial reference information to help you discover the next great grain. In this virtual presentation, Abra presents some of the healthy and excellent grain recipes in combination with vegetables and lean proteins.

# Women's Health: Hormone Imbalance and Mental Health 123

### Wed., Jan. 26 at 6:30 p.m. | Zoom

Join Dr. Uma Senthilkumar, M.D. from Beaumont Health Center as she presents an evidence-based integrative medicine approach to mind, body and spirit. Learn the use of less-invasive/safe interventions to address hormone imbalance to achieve optimal health and healing. This includes, lifestyle diet, yoga, meditation and more.

# Greatest Era in Rock: The British Invasion And American Answer

# Sat., Feb. 12 at 2:30 p.m. | Zoom

Author and pop culture historian Marty Gitlin will bring this wonderful and exciting time in music history to life through the magic of Zoom. The presentation consists

of videos that feature what most music historians consider the finest period in the rock-androll era. Included are live performances of some of the greatest songs of the generation from



legendary artists. Gitlin will also discuss the impact these bands make on American society and pop culture while comparing and contrasting the British Invasion and American response.

# Let Me Show You What a Woman Can Do: The Life and Art of Artemisia Gentileschi Sat., Feb. 19 at 10 a.m. | Zoom

Learn about the artist Artemisia Gentileschi, who was one of the most prominent artists during the 17th century. Until recently her art and life have been neglected and misunderstood in the narrative of art history. In this presentation Karen Imarisio explores new scholarship and discoveries into her life and remarkable works, including many paintings that have been newly discovered or misattributed to other artists. This presentation is based on the book *Artemisia Gentileschi* by Jonathan Jones. The Detroit Institute of Arts owns one painting by Artemisia Gentileschi, Judith and Her Maidservant with the Head of Holofernes. A special DIA exhibition entitled "By Her Hand: Artemisia Gentileschi and Woman Artists in Italy, 1500-1800" runs Feb. 6-May 22, 2022.

# Lifestyle Strategies and Natural Therapies for Mental Health 12-3

### Wed., Feb. 23 at 6:30 p.m. | Zoom

Dr. Michelle Davila, a licensed naturopathic doctor with Beaumont Integrative Medicine in Royal Oak,

talks about Lifestyle strategies and natural therapies that support mental health. In this presentation, Dr. Davila talks more about ways that we can support our own well-being through



simple, everyday habits, skills that can be honed through practice, nutrition, and more.

# Bulgaria: Beauty and Balm in the Balkans Thurs., March 3 at 6 p.m. | Zoom

Let us celebrate Bulgaria day at CMPL! Traveling to a different place could be a stress relief. Join us for a Virtual Tour of "Bulgaria" presented by Mariya Fogarasi. Mindfulness and meditation can transcend borders. Combine travel and treat yourself to a totally new destination in the eastern part of Europe; soak up history while biking, hiking, or skiing in the Balkans. Throw in a spa treatment and spoil yourself, letting your mind travel over miles. Mariya Fogarasi takes you around and shares her love of this Balkan country along with a few outings to surrounding points of interest.

# Birdwatching vs. Birding Wed., March 2 at 6:30 p.m. | Zoom

Spring will soon be here and that means birds! Greg Bodker, an avid birder, will explain the difference between birdwatching and birding and share his awardwinning photos of birds. Learn how to attract more birds to your backyard, how to identify them, what types of seeds they like and how to maintain your feeders. Then take your interest beyond the backyard,

as Greg reveals some of the best places to go birding in our area and discusses his birding adventures. Greg has birded in all of Michigan's 83 counties and in most of North America.

# Let's Go Birding! Wed., March 9 at 6:30 p.m. |

Zoom



Learn the tools needed for

birding in the field and how to get the most out of your field guide. Topics include: binocular selections, field guides, birding apps, how eBird can help you find birds, where to find a free course on using eBird, places to go birding in our area, working through a bird identification, and personal stories from the field while birding.

# Mindfulness and Mental Health (1-2-3) Wed., March 23 at 6:30 p.m. | Zoom

Mindfulness is a practice of being aware of each moment as it arises, and bringing an attitude of kindness and non-judgement. Both ancient wisdom and modern science have demonstrated its various benefits. Meet Dr. Davila and learn more about the history and practice of mindfulness, and how it can support our mental health.

# **Cats Behavior and Training**

Tues., April 12 at 6:30 p.m. | Zoom

Celebrate "National Pet Day" at CMPL! Are you thinking of getting a pet? If you are thinking of getting a cat, don't miss Dr. Verma and V Tech, Danielle Bolm's virtual presentation. Dr. Verma presents common behavior issues in cats and the ways they can be addressed in a fun, positive manner. Cats can also help us as great stress reliev-

ers. They work as our great companions and have the "Healing Power of the Purr."



# Virtual Programs

# Acupuncture and Mental Health (1-2-3) Wed., April 27 at 6:30 p.m. | Zoom

Daniel Devine, MTCM, L.Ac., R.Ac from Beaumont Health Center talks about Acupuncture and Mental Health. Acupuncture and Chinese medicine approach



health and well-being in a holistic manner, of which body and mind play integral roles in how we feel. Proper balance is as necessary for good mental health as for physical health. Learn how acupuncture offers support

during times of stress, emotional anxiety, depression, trouble sleeping, and more, helping to restore balance leading to improved mental health.

# OverDrive/Libby News

The OverDrive app will retire in 2022. The Libby app will become the company's official lending app. Please keep in mind that the OverDrive website is still accessible from a computer and certain tablets, such as Kindles. The Libby app will be used by those with Androids, iOS devices, and tablets such as iPads.

If you are currently using the OverDrive app on a device other than a Kindle, you will want to delete this app and download Libby. We will provide more information as this transition continues.



### **International Bestsellers Available**

CMPL has expanded the offerings in OverDrive/Libby to include works by bestselling authors in international languages. Visit OverDrive to find bestsellers in the following languages: Spanish, Arabic, Bengali, Chinese, Italian, Polish, and Ukrainian.

In addition to bestsellers, OverDrive/Libby also offers digital magazines in international languages. Get started at https://slc.overdrive.com/.

# Tech Programs

# **Tech Tutoring**

Mondays from 1 p.m.-3 p.m. | North Branch Wednesdays from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. | South Branch Stop by for drop-in help using your smartphone, tablet, or other portable device.

# Improve Your Computer Skills

#### Assorted dates and times | Main Library

We continue to offer small, hands-on computer classes for residents of the CMPL service area on the following topics: Computer Basics, Internet Basics, Email Basics,

Files & Folders, Microsoft Word, Microsoft Excel, and Microsoft Powerpoint.

Classes run throughout the winter. Please call (586) 226-5040 or visit the events calendar to register.



# Library Apps for Your Android or Apple Device

# Thurs., Jan. 6 at 6:30 p.m. | Zoom Thurs., Jan. 13 at 6:30 p.m. | Main Library

Did you know you can read eBooks, listen to audiobooks, and stream music, movies, and TV shows through the library? Come learn about CMPL's Digital Downloads! Please have the following required items available: your Android or Apple tablet or smartphone; all relevant passwords; and your library card. If you do not have a library card, please visit the library.

# **Digital Preservation Tools**

### Wed., Jan. 26 or Wed., Feb. 23 at 10 a.m. | Main Library

Learn about the digital preservation tools we have at the Main Library. Each session will last about 30 minutes and will cover one technology, including a



demonstration, hands-on practice and a Q & A. Residents are encouraged to come for one or all three.

Slide digitizer at 10 a.m. Photo scanner at 10:30 a.m. 8mm film converter at 11 a.m.

# 1-2-3 Mental Health

# One Topic, Two Communities, Three Books

Join CMPL in our 2nd year of our initiative where at the beginning of each calendar year, we will provide intentional programming centered on a timely issue. We have selected a picture book, middle grade book, and adult book that focuses on our theme. Our goal is to provide our communities with forums to learn about, think about, and discuss challenging contemporary issues. This year's topic is mental health. We have selected the following books:





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Ruhy Finds a Worry by Tom Percival The Dark Matter of Mona Starr by Laura Gulledge Maybe You Should Talk to Someone by Lori Gottlieb

Look for (1-2-3) by programs throughout the newsletter to see other events related to this topic.

# Mindful Art and Meditation Workshops Select Saturdays at 11 a.m. | Main Library

Mindfulness and meditation are not just for adults. Guided meditations help children process big emotions in healthy ways. Join us for Guided Meditations and Art Projects for ages 6-11.

Jan. 15: Introduction to MindfulnessJan. 22: Releasing StressFeb. 19: Boundaries (setting and respecting others)Feb. 26: Dealing with Anger/Frustration

Please bring a pillow and comfy blanket or yoga mat



to lie on. We will be lying on the floor for the guided meditations. Parents are welcome to stay/ participate in this series. While this is a series, register for the

individual programs you are interested in.

# **1-2-3 Mental Health: Sharing our Stories,** Gaining Strength

#### Select Thursdays at 6:30 p.m. | Main Library

Join CMPL, CARE of Southeast Michigan, and partners from across the county as we explore mental health through different lenses in a three-part series. Learn from the stories of people who live with mental health conditions and the resource providers in our community.

**Feb. 24:** Mental health from the individual's point of view

March 24: Mental health from a family perspective April 28: Mental health in our community

# The Dark Matter of Mona Starr Book Discussion

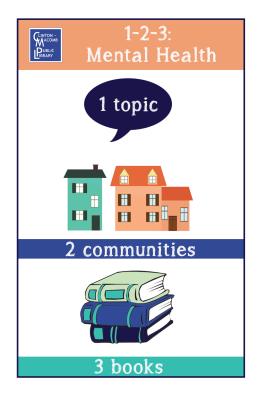
### Mon., March 7 at 6 p.m. | Main Library

Check out a copy of Lara Lee Gulledge's *The Dark*. *Matter of Mona Starr* and discuss this compelling graphic novel about mental health with teen staff.

# Maybe You Should Talk to Someone Book Discussion

# Sat., March 26 at 3 p.m. | Main Library

Join us to discuss the adult novel of our 123: Mental Health initiative, *Maybe You Should Talk to Someone: A Therapist, HER Therapist, and our Lives Revealed* by Lori Gottlieb.



### Registration is required for all events unless otherwise noted. See page 6.



# **Preschool Fair**

# Sat., Jan. 29 10 a.m.-12 p.m. | Main Library

Will your child be heading off to preschool next fall?

How do you decide which preschool program is best for your child? The Clinton-Macomb Public Library wants to 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 representative to answer questions. Come by any time during the morning to learn about these schools.



# **Celebrate MLK Day**

### Mon., Jan. 17 at 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 12 p.m., 1 p.m. and 2 p.m. | North Branch

Drop in the Story Room for activities and a video presentation to celebrate Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. The video will be shown on the hour.

# **5th Grade Battle of the Books**

### Sun., March 6 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 5th graders and an adult coach. The battle will take place on Sunday, March 6 at 2 p.m. Visit **cmpl.org/bob** 



for more information and to register.

# 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten

It's a new year and it's a great time to start new reading



habits with the kids! Read 1,000 different books to your child or read the same book 1,000 times. It doesn't matter, so long as your child has been exposed to 1,000 books before Kindergarten. Record the titles you've read and come to the library for incentive

prizes along your way to 1,000! Get started at https://cmpl.beanstack.org/.

# **Little Library Loot**

# Mondays: Jan. 31, Feb. 28, March 28, and April 25 | Pick up at any CMPL location

Attention young book lovers! Love to read but not sure what to read next or want to try a surprise suggestion? Sign up for Little Library Loot! Our Children's Services team will work to pair you with your next favorite book by simply answering a few questions. This monthly program is for children ages 0-7. Kids who register monthly will receive one of our curated Book Box kits containing the following:

- 1 book to read and return
- 1 book to keep
- A fun activity
- Maybe even more surprises!

Registration opens the 1st through the 15th. Book boxes are available for pick up at the CMPL location of your choice the LAST Monday of the month.

# **Library Loot**

### Mondays: Jan. 31, Feb. 28, March 28, and April 25 | Pick up at any CMPL location

Attention middle grade book lovers! Love to read but not sure what to read next or want to try a surprise suggestion? Sign up for Library Loot! Our Children's Services team will work to pair you with your next favorite book by simply answering a few questions. Library Loot is a monthly program for children in grades 3-5. Participants who register monthly will receive one of

our curated Book Box kits containing the following:

- 1 book to read and return
- 1 book to keep
- Snacks and treats
- A fun activity
- Maybe even more surprises!

Registration opens the 1st

through the 15th. Book boxes are available for pick up at the CMPL location of your choice the LAST Monday of the month.



# STEAM Activities

# **Dinosaur George**

#### Wed., Jan. 12 at 10 a.m. | Zoom

What is a dinosaur? Dinosaurs are some of the most fascinating animals that ever lived. But how can you tell what is, and what is not, a dinosaur? Become a Dinosaur



"Expert" with Dinosaur George as he explains everything you wanted to know about Dinosaurs! During Dinosaur George's lesson you will

see images, as well as actual fossils, as he explains and shows the sizes and features of each animal.

# **Frostology**

### Sat., Jan. 29 at 2 p.m. | North Branch

Children in Kindergarten through 5th grade will learn the science behind all things frosty as we explore the effects of cold on the states of matter using some super COOL science with dry ice and liquid nitrogen.



# **3D Insect Printing**

# Thurs., Feb. 10 at 7 p.m. or Thurs., Feb. 10 at 5:30 p.m. | Main Library

Want to learn about 3D design printing? Join us where we will use Tinkercad to design and create your very own 3D insect. This program is for ages 8-12. The actual printing process will be done by library staff and available for pick up 1-2 weeks after the program. Please only register for one session.

# Let's Build a Kite

### Sat., March 12 at 11 a.m. | North Branch

Learn the fundamentals of kite building. Children, ages 8-12, will practice literacy skills by following directions to create their own kite.

### **Snapology's Machines and Contraptions** Sat., March 26 at 10 a.m. | South Branch

Does your child love to tinker and create new things, or are they the kind of learner who likes to break things apart to see what's inside? This program gives your student the tools they need to understand mechanical movement and the importance of simple machines. Children ages 5-10 will build various machines and contraptions using LEGO bricks. All materials will be furnished by Snapology.

# Go Nuts!

# Sat., April 2 at 10 a.m. | South Branch

Find out what it's like to be a squirrel during this sometimes silly, always fun program about our favorite backyard friend. We'll make a treat to offer the squirrels in your yard!

# **Little Scientists**

Tues., April 5 at 10 a.m. or Thurs., April 7 at 10 a.m. | North Branch

Kids ages 3-6 are invited to the North Branch to hear a story and conduct some hands-on science experiments and activities. Sink or float is the April 5



theme. Gravity is the April 7 theme.

# All the Colors: Kaleidoscope Build



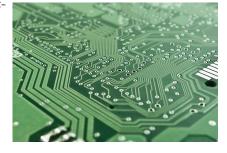
Wed., April 6 at 11 a.m. | North Branch Come build and decorate your own

Come build and decorate your own kaleidoscope! And play with Physics! Kids, 8-12, will use measuring skills and simple geometry to assemble this colorful toy that illustrates the Law of Reflection.

# Simple Circuits and Digital Bling Workshop Thurs., April 7 at 2 p.m. or 3 p.m. | South Branch

Join us as we explore the basics of simple circuits. Then try your hand at designing 'Digital Bling' to create your

own wearable, tech accessory to take home! Two workshops are being offered to accommodate everyone who wants to attend this program. Please register for only one workshop.



# Super Hero STEM

#### Sat., April 9 at 2 p.m. | South Branch

Super Hero kids will learn from Cathy Foster about polymers by making wormy slime, engineer flying super heroes, experiment with dry ice bubbles, and enjoy some color changing lemonade.

# **Tiny Art Show**

### Sat., Jan. 15 | South Branch

Display your artistic talents in our Tiny Art Show to be held at the South Branch Feb. 1-26. Register Jan. 1-15 to reserve your kit. Kits may be picked up Jan. 15-22 at the location that you select. Return your masterpiece Jan. 29-31 at any location. Be creative and have fun! You may use your own materials if you so desire. Paintings will be returned after the Tiny Art Show. This program is for adults and children 8-12 years old.

# The Kids' Table: Adventures in Healthy Cooking

#### Sat., Feb. 5 at 11 a.m. | Zoom



Join us to make steamed dumplings, wonton wrappers stuffed with a delicious veggie filling, served with a soy and sesame dipping sauce. Skills used: chopping, mincing, grating, crumbling, measuring, filling and sealing. Stove or oven use is required. Ingredient list and recipe will be provided upon registration.

# Cats of Catthulhu

#### Sun., Feb. 6 at 1 p.m. | Main Library

Join us for a session of the role playing game Cats of Catthulhu. Players will take on the identity of an average domestic cat and work together to protect the humans from danger. For ages 9-12. No experience with role playing games required.

# Yoga for Kids 12-3

### Sat., Feb. 12 at 2:30 p.m. | Main Library Sat., March 12 at 2:30 p.m. | North Branch

Children will learn how to focus and center themselves with various breathing and visualization techniques. They will also learn fun yoga poses and age appropriate yoga games. For ages 7-11.



Please bring a yoga mat or beach towel to the program.

# **Board Game Day**

### Tues., Feb. 22 at 10 a.m. | Main Library

Drop in to play some of our board games and giant games! **No registration required.** 

# This Little Light of Mine: Thumbtack Lanterns Wed., Feb. 23 at 11 a.m. | North Branch

Children, ages 3-8, are welcome to create a lantern using a template or their own drawing. This program is good practice with following instructions and exercising fine motor skills. Adult supervision is required.

### **Illustrator Magic!**

# Thurs., Feb. 24 at 11 a.m. or Fri., Feb. 25 at 11 a.m. | North Branch

Learn about some picture book artists and create your own unique art piece using collage. Feb. 24 will be a collage. Feb. 25 will be mixed media. Ages 8 to 12.



# **Parachute Games**

Wed., March 16 at 10 a.m. | South Branch

Kids ages 2-5 can join us for some parachute fun!

### **Tween Fidgets** 1-2-3

#### Tues., April 5 at 1 p.m. | South Branch

Tweens ages 8-12 years old will have fun and reduce stress at the same time by making and decorating their own fidget spinner and stress ball.

# **Obstacle Course for Kids**

# Mon., April 11 at 10 a.m. | South Branch Wed., April 20 at 10 a.m. | North Branch

Burn up some energy crawling, jumping and hopping through an obstacle course set up just for toddlers and preschoolers. This program is for ages 2-5.

# Read, Repurpose, Repeat Sat., April 16 at 11 a.m. | Main Library

Celebrate Earth Day and discover how to repurpose those loved books into something new. Are you wondering what to do with books that are just too loved to pass on to another reader? To celebrate Earth Day, we will explore ways to turn those books into something extraordinary. This program is for kids ages 8-11.



# **Pokémon Party**



# Sat., April 30 at 10 a.m. | Main Library

Join us as we make Pokémon Balls, have a Pokémon hunt, and do other fun Pokémon-related crafts and activities. This program is for ages 7-10.

# Story Times & Early Lit

### **Story Times**

#### Select dates and times | All locations

Story times will take place the week of Jan. 10 through the week of Feb. 10. Session II will take place the week of Feb. 28 through the week of March 31. Session III will take place the week of April 25 through the week of May 26. Join us on the following days and times:



#### Main Library | In-person

Mondays at 11 a.m.: Rock N Read (2-5 years) Mondays at 10 a.m.: Baby Time (0-23 months)

#### North Branch | In-person

Tuesdays at 9:30 a.m.: Rock N Read (2-5 years) Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m.: Baby and Tot (0-18 months) Thursdays at 10 a.m.: Preschool Story Time (3-6 years)

South Branch | Zoom Tuesdays at 10 a.m.: Little Listeners (all ages)

#### **Family Evening Story Time**

Tuesdays: Jan. 18, Feb. 15, March 15 and April 19 at 6:30 p.m. | Zoom Get comfy for this virtual story time. All ages welcome.

#### **Events at Partridge Creek**

Join us for an event at The Mall at Partridge Creek this winter. The mall is located at 17420 Hall Rd,. Clinton Twp., MI 48038.

#### **Story Time**

Various Dates at 10 a.m. | Mall at Partridge Creek Join us at the Mall at Partridge Creek for a big, fun story time! We will have a stories, songs, and a craft.

Fri., Jan. 14: Winter Story Time
Fri., Feb. 11: Valentine's Day Story Time
Fri., March 11: St. Patrick's Day Story Time
Fri., April 8: Easter Story Time

### Story Walk at the Mall at Partridge Creek March 1-15 | Mall at Partridge Creek

Join us at the Mall at Partridge Creek and take a walk and read a story! Read *A House* by Kevin Henkes.

#### Pajamarama

# Wednesdays: Jan. 12, Feb. 9, March 9, and April 13 at 6:30 p.m. | South Branch

Put on your jammies and join us online for bedtime stories and songs. For families with children under 8.

#### **Bilingual Story Time**

#### Select Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. | Zoom

Bilingual Story Time will use a mix of English and another language to tell stories and rhymes. Studies show that exposure to other languages as children improves early literacy development. Recommended age is 3-6, but all ages are welcome.

Wed., Jan. 19: Spanish Wed., Feb. 23: Swahili Wed., March 30: American Sign Language Wed., April 27: Chinese

#### PAWS for Reading Select dates and times |

# All locations

Do you have a child who has a hard time reading? Help them gain confidence in their skills by reading to a trained PAWS dog. **No registration is required.** 



Main Library: Third Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m.

**North Branch:** Second and fourth Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m.

#### Winter Sensory Play

Mon., Feb. 14 at 10 a.m. | Main Library Wed., Feb. 16 at 10 a.m. | North Branch Visit us for winter sensory play for ages 2-5.

#### Grow, Play, Learn

#### Thursdays: April 14 through May 12 at 10 a.m. | Main Library

This program is open to ages 1-3 and their caregivers. Siblings up to age 5 are welcome to attend, but do not need to be registered for the program. As a part of our Family Place Libraries initiative, our five-week parent/ child workshop is returning this quarter. This is a fun, play-based program where families can relax, make friends, and talk one-on-one with specialists on child development. We ask that families attend only one Grow, Play, Learn session per year.





# Mon. and Wed. 3-6 p.m. | Main Library Tues. and Thurs. 3-6 p.m. | South Branch

Looking for a place to hangout after school? Join us for games, activities, crafts, and an after-school snack. We're always adding fun new stuff so don't miss it!

Main Library: Monday/Wednesday (CASH @ Main doesn't occur when Chippewa Valley Schools are closed).

South Branch: Tuesday/Thursday (CASH @ South doesn't occur when Clintondale Schools are closed).



# Volunteens

# Wednesdays: Jan. 5, Feb. 2, March 2, and April 6 at 6 p.m. | Main Library/Zoom

Join us for a quick chat about what's going on for teens at CMPL. We'll go over program ideas and you'll earn volunteer hours! We might have a few fun games as well. You may attend in-person or virtually.

# **Volunteen Days**

# Sundays: Jan. 16 and Feb. 27 at 12 p.m. | Main Library

Need to earn some volunteer hours for NHS or other programs? Come bank some hours at our volunteens days this winter.

# **Sugar Snow Fort Attack!**

### Sat., Jan. 22 at 3 p.m. | Main Library

Snow forts without the cold?! You got it! Come build a fort then test its strength with our Sugar Snow Fort Attack Challenge! Put your creativity and engineering skills to the test as we construct snow forts using some unusual materials, THEN, put that fort to the test when we construct our own siege engines and go on the attack!

# **Super Secret Book Box**

### Mondays: Jan. 31, Feb. 28, March 28, and April 25 | Pick up at any CMPL location

Love to read but not sure what to read next or want to try a surprise suggestion from CMPL Teen Librarians? Sign up for Super Secret Book Box! Each month participants will receive one of our curated book box kits containing the following: one book to read and return, one book to keep, snacks and treats, and a fun activity. Pick a theme from the list when registering and our Teen Librarians will create a kit just for you!

Registration is open the 1st through the 15th of the month. Book boxes are available for pick up the 4th Monday of the month.

# Winter Weirdlympics

### Mon., Feb. 21 at 6:30 p.m. | Main Library

What are the "Weirdlympics"? Think winter Olympics, but WEIRD. Ever tried mini-curling? Instead of figure

skating, how about Figure Flailing? Be ready to tap in to all your weird talents and skills in this Weirdlympic challenge. We'll take regular Olympic Sports and turn them on their heads to create some weird and wild sport challenges. Not into sports? Don't worry! These sports are fun for everyone and not like any you've ever played before!



# 1/2 way to Halloween!

# Sat., April 30 at 4:30 p.m. | Main Library

We're 1/2 way to Spooky Season and we are geeked! Come celebrate with a fun zombie-themed event with games and crafts. We'll kick off the bash with some crafts and activities at 4:30 p.m. and then close out the night with a scavenger hunt challenge at 6 p.m. No arrivals after 6 p.m. Want to come in costume? We might have a surprise or two in store for those who do.

# Teen Crafts and Fun

REMINDER: Parents and younger siblings will not be able to attend teen programs. Programs are for teens entering grades 6 through 12.

# Trivia Live!

# Select Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. | Zoom

Join us for a fun night of themed trivia. Each month will have a new theme with a prize going to the winner!

### Tues., Jan. 11: Supernatural

Tues., Feb. 8: Bad Movie Descriptions RomCom Edition

Tues., March 8: Avatar the Last Airbender Tues., April 12: Food

# **Resin Snowflakes**

# Thurs., Jan. 13 at 3 p.m. | South Branch Mon., Jan. 24 at 6 p.m. | North Branch

Have fun designing your own resin snowflakes, mixing colors, glitter and more!

### **Paint and Pour**

### Select Wednesdays at 7 p.m. | Zoom



Join us as we learn some chill painting skills that would make Mr. Ross proud. Follow along step-by-step and you'll end up with your very own masterpiece!

### Main Library

Wed., Jan. 26 at 7 p.m.: Winter Moon Wed., April 27 at 7 p.m.: Bunny Watercolor

### North Branch

Wed., Feb. 23 at 7 p.m.: Floral Fingerpaint Wed., March 23 at 7 p.m.: Dino Sunset

# **Teen Craft: Marbled Cards**

### Wed., Feb. 9 at 6:30 p.m. | North Branch

Want to learn how to make some really unique and creative cards? We'll teach you how to marble using paint and you'll get to make some personalized cards to keep!

# **Perler Bead Fun**

# Thurs., Feb. 17 at 3 p.m. | South Branch

Make perler bead creations using our patterns or design an original piece!



# Maker Mondays

# Select Mondays | Craft at Home

Kick off each new month with Maker Monday! We'll have a new take and make kit you can pick up and follow along with our video online. Kits will be made available on the following dates and are first come first serve. Missed the kits or want to make another? No worries! We'll list all the supplies you need with the video link so you can still grab your own materials and follow along.

# Jan. 3: Origami

**Feb. 7:** Glitter Galaxy Magnet Board **March 7:** Mini Cross Stitch **April 4:** Recycled MI wildflower seed paper

# Shamrock Marshmallow Treats Thurs., March 17 at

**3 p.m. | South Branch** Join us to make classic Rice

Krispies treats with a fun St. Patrick's Day twist!



# **Dungeons & Dragons**

### Sat., April 9 at 2 p.m. | Main Library

Join us for a session of Dungeons & Dragons. No experience in role playing games required to participate.

# **Egg Hunt**

### Thurs., April 14 at 3 p.m. | South Branch

Join us to find eggs full of all kinds of surprises in an unexpected way.

# Hands on History: Archery

### Sat., April 16 at 3:30 p.m. | Main Library

Want to learn about the history of Archery & build your own mini archery set? Come hang out, create a super cool kit and try our mini archery competition. We'll learn about the history of archery and then construct our very own miniature bows and arrows to use in our target practice challenge!

# **Mini Terrariums**

# Mon., April 18 at 6 p.m. | South Branch

Using an open glass ball, moss, sand and an air plant, create a mini terrarium you would be proud to have on your desk!



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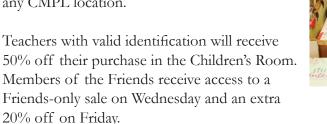
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# Friends of the Library Used Book Sale April 6-10 | Main Library

We know you've been waiting for the moment that the huge used book sale returned and now is the time. The Friends Used Book Sale is back! Stop by the Main Library for the used book sale 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.



Wed., April 6: 5:30-8:30 p.m. (Friends Night Only) Thurs., April 7: 12 p.m.-8 p.m. Fri., April 8 and Sat., April 9: 9:30 a.m.-5 p.m. Sun., April 10: 12:15-3:15 p.m. (Bag Day)

# **Book Donations**

The Friends of the Library are grateful for each and every book donation it receives. In order to ensure that the selection at the used book sales are of good quality, please keep the following things in mind when dropping off book donations:

- Magazines and VHS are not accepted
- Please pack boxes and bags light
- Please don't drop off moldy or musty books

Donations are accepted at CMPL locations Monday-Friday between 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. If you need a donation receipt, please visit the CARE desk.