Library Mission: To serve and engage a thriving community of lifelong learners

I. Call to order
II. Approval of agenda
III. Closed session
IV. Consent agenda
   A. Minutes of 1/21/2016 Library Board meeting
   B. Bills
   C. Financial Statement and Treasurer’s Report from January 2016
V. Call to Public
VI. Communications
   A. Press coverage
   B. MLA Weekly Newsletter, January 21, 2016
   C. MLA Weekly Newsletter, January 28, 2016
   D. MLA Weekly Newsletter, February 4, 2016
   E. MLA Weekly Newsletter, February 11, 2016
VII. Director’s Report
   A. Library news and activities
   B. Usage reports
   C. Advocacy news
VIII. Old Business
   A. HVAC system upgrade project
IX. Standing Committee Reports
   A. Policy
   B. Finance
   C. Fund Development
   D. Board Development
   E. Building – report from 2/3/2016 meeting
   F. Human Resources
X. Discussion Items
XI. Action Items
   A. Direction on HVAC system replacement project
XII. Questions from the Public
XIII. Trustee Comments
XIV. Adjournment
1) Call to order at 6:33 p.m.

2) Approval of agenda. Motion to approve the agenda as amended by Phillips/Pergeau
   a) Action Item d) Purchase of a new server

3) Introduction of new employee
   a) Eric Hayes, Information Technology

4) Presentation by Johnson Controls on HVAC system
   a) Brian Brooks & Anisha Amatya
   b) $160K - $170K per previous specs
   c) Their approach is approximately $350K - $400K. A quote of $225K was given for a their
      recommended minimum small scale installation. Boiler and circulating pump: $48K to $49K. Air
      measure and balance: $10K.

5) Consent Agenda as presented: Abramczyk / Phillips as presented.
   a) Minutes from last meeting
   b) Bills
   c) Financial Statement and Treasurer’s Report from December 2015
      i) Of the $400,000 of Received From General Ledger, only $110,000 was spent. Great
         management of budget. This includes the renovations to the building.

6) Call to the Public –
   Mike Morris, Head of Maintenance
   Brian Brooks & Anisha Amatya, Johnson Controls

7) Communications
   a) Press coverage
   b) MLA updates were discussed

8) Director’s report
a) Report on file

b) Karen and staff created a set of materials focusing on the Library which was sent to many of our elected officials

c) $3,300 was raised from the Friends’ silent auction.

9) Old Business

a) HVAC system upgrade project: Knox to ask Johnson Controls to bid on the current RPF. Review bid via email. Make a proposed change order. Request for recommended changes and revised bid above and beyond what was already bid. Request hard numbers for each recommendation/change/enhancement. 2/3/16 at 5 p.m. to discussion

b) Annual board evaluation – Thorndycraft reviewed and presented the Board evaluation.

c) Strategic Plan Work Plan updates – Knox reviewed the Work Plan and its updates. Knox reviewed the goals of the department heads. Monday, 2/29/16 is an in-service date. Thorndycraft may attend to provide insight on the role of the Board.

10) Standing Committee Report –

a) Policy Report –
   i) None

b) Finance –
   i) None

c) Fund Development –
   (1) Discussed the progression of the committees’ work, specifically our discussion with Paula Beswick at the Bozeman Public Library Foundation from Montana. Minutes from the January 19th meeting forthcoming.

d) Board Development –
   i) Reviewed minutes of the meeting on 1/13/16. Reviewed Board self-evaluations. Abramczyk reviewed some legislative articles. All trustees are asked to report to the Board interesting articles pertinent to libraries.

e) Building –
   i) Discussed during the meeting.

f) Human Resources –
   i) None

g) Ad Hoc Committee Reports
   None.

h) Advocacy – None.

11) Discussion Items

a) Read Retention Policy report – The Library is in compliance.

b) Update Trustee Conflict of Interest & Trustee Commitment forms – Knox to email the Conflict of Interest to Trustees.
12) Action Items

a) Resolution Authorizing the Application for Special License for Friends Passport to Spring – Moved by Abramczyk/ seconded by Pergeau to approve the Resolution as read by Quinn. Additional insurance is procured. No further discussion. Motion carries.

b) Library Hours on Saturday, April 30 – closed at 2:00 p.m. – Motion by Quinn/seconded by Abramczyk to approve the hours as recommended. No further discussion. Motion carries.

c) Direction on HVAC system replacement project –Discussed previously.

d) Purchase of new server –Phillips moved to approve a purchase of a new server not to exceed $12,000. Question by Quinn – Is there an opportunity to use the Cloud. Discussion occurred. This amount is more than budgeted for 2016. No further discussion. Motion carries.

13) New meetings scheduled at the OTPL

a) Building Committee/Call 2/3/16 at 5:00 p.m.

14) Questions from the Public – Quinn requested by Kevin Q. regarding an invitation to the Board of Trustee meeting. The policy of the Board is the public is always welcome.

15) Trustee comments

16) Adjournment at 9:37 p.m.

Mike Luna
Secretary, Board of Trustees
Orion Township Public Library
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(5) Gov’t Agency Bond maturing 8/24/18 @1.200% interest
(6) Gov’t Agency Bond maturing 5/25/18 step up @ .75% for 1 year,
(7) Money Market Account, CD

* Change in value until the investment reaches maturity
## ORION TOWNSHIP LIBRARY - TREASURER’S REPORT - GENERAL FUND ACTIVITY
### JANUARY 2016

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Riverside amphitheater and splash pad fundraising campaign under way
The Auburn Hills Community Foundation kicks off campaign for the three new attractions at Riverside Park in downtown Auburn Hills, anticipated for 2017 construction.
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THE MOTOR CITY
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Finding Your Roots

When you start about family, about lineage and ancestry, you are talking about every person on earth. - Alex Haley

I recently watched an episode of "Finding Your Roots" on PBS. I've always been a fan of ancestry so it was really interesting watching the show. It beautifully captured the emotions of the featured personalities who learned all about their ancestors. The best part of the show was the DNA testing they conducted that determined a mixture of the personalities, Maya Rudolph and Keenan Ivory Wayans apparently have very distant roots in Asia, which totally threw them off. I wish I could trace where my ancestors came from and who they were! I personally find it so important to finding your roots and so very interesting. On a personal level, the stories leading up to how you and your family, your parents' your grandparents and even your great-grandparents ended up where they are today - that's intriguing and possibly unexpected. We all came from somewhere. So why not find out and honor the history of it all? And most of all, see what can be learned from their stories? Growing up, I was one of the few "weird" students who loved history. While my peers were loathing having to memorize dates and sequence of events, I enjoyed reading the textbook pages like a storybook, eager to know what happened next. So naturally, when I had to create a family tree for a middle school assignment, I was more than happy to get it done. Unfortunately, my family tree didn't go too far because my grandparents could not remember much about their grandparents. It's so interesting to see where I come from, and although I do not know my ancestors, knowing that they have their own stories fascinates me. As Theodore Roosevelt once said, "The more you know about the past, the better prepared you are for the future." Lessons learned from forefathers. Priceless! Email the editor at communitylifestyles@inbox.com.

Orion Township Public Library receives
2015 Library of Congress Literacy Award

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"We are so honored to receive this outstanding award," said Refior, who wrote the application. "We will use the child-friendly tablet in our youth programs."

In addition, the Orion Township Public Library received $5000 to use for youth programming.

The Orion Township Public Library was selected by peer libraries and MCB affiliates. It edged out other applicants for having consistently excellent programming, a partnership with local schools, and pairing of innovation with technology.

A librarian liaison is assigned to each school in the district, and they help to fulfill requests from teachers and students during the school year.

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Have a watch, clock or timepiece you treasure and just can't figure out how to fix? Well, you're not alone. When many of the Detroit Area's jewelery stores can't seem to make a watch tick, they out-source more complicated repair cases to Troy's own certified horologists (that's an expert watchmaker) of Triple Crown Watch & Clock Repair.

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The Orion Township
Public Library’s
15th annual Preschool and
Childcare open house

If you are in search of the right preschool or childcare facility in the Orion and Oxford area, come to the Orion Township Public Library’s 15th annual Preschool and Childcare Open House on Wednesday, Feb. 3, from 4-7 p.m.

Meet Lake Orion and Oxford area providers, ask questions, and gather information at this special open house. Receive checklists with tips on what to look for in preschool or childcare, along with information on the programs that each facility has scheduled throughout the year.

For more information about the Preschool and Childcare Open House contact Kristen Reneman at 248-693-3000 x340 or Suzanne Tison x425 or visit orionlibrary.org

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Sophisticated windows, as well as furniture, are sporting classic, traditional designs coupled with the appropriate bold patterns. The use of large geometric patterns are modern and dramatic, presented in soft, monochromatic patterns as well as light, bright colors. When mixed with textured fabrics, they create a luxurious look. Traditional interiors are new and exciting again! Drapery design runs from ultra simple, well-made pairs of panels to multi-layered treatments consisting of many different fabrics and trims. The emphasis is always on texture, pattern and structure, as well as color. Well-designed drapery is extremely important to the functionality of the room.

Custom drapery is a key element in Hepplewhite’s interior design programs. It can be the final touch, or the start to a great design. This month Hepplewhite’s is offering a New Year Special. In home visits start at $200, but, for a limited time, will also include a complimentary drapery consultation package with a minimum purchase. Our design consultation includes an in-home visit where we take complete measurements and pictures. We research fabrics and draw scale drawings for an in-store presentation. Our clients view accurate drawings of the suggested designs. This is never a guesswork!

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January 2016 highlights at the Orion Township Public Library

Winter has arrived at the Orion Township Public Library! Many new events, classes and programs are happening in January for all ages and are included in the current newsletter at orionlibrary.org/newsletter. Some of the January highlights include:

Shakespeare Behind Bars - Monday, Jan. 25, at 6:30 p.m.
View the screening of the award-winning documentary "Shakespeare Behind Bars," which follows the casting, rehearsal and presentation of Shakespeare’s play, "The Tempest," by convicted felons inside Kentucky's Luther Luckett Correctional Complex. Following the documentary, join in a Q&A session with Oakland University Professor Neil Herald.

Stuffed Animal Sleepover - Wednesday, Jan. 27, at 7 p.m.
The stuffed animal storytime will begin at 7 p.m., and afterward, your animal will stay the night and will be ready to be picked up the next day.

Groundhog Day Party - Saturday, Jan. 30, at 10 a.m.
Come celebrate the publication of Groundhog’s Dilemma written by Orion Library Youth Librarian Ms. Kristen and illustrated by local artist Matt Paulkner. Ms. Kristen will read her book, followed by cookies and a craft. Copies of the book will be available for sale and autographing.

Ring of Steel Action Theater and Stunt Troop - Saturday, Jan. 30, at 2 p.m.
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The library will be closed on Monday, Feb. 22, for a staff in-service day. Normal hours will resume on Tuesday, Feb. 23, at 9 a.m.

Save the date for the Friends of the Orion Library Spring: Japan, A Festival of Seasons on Saturday, April 30, from 7-10 p.m. Come to the library for traditional Japanese entertainment and authentic Japanese food and drink. Mark your calendars for a fun and informative evening at the library. More details coming soon.

Patrons can register for programs at orionlibrary.org, call 248-393-3000 or by visiting the Orion Township Public Library.

Community Lifestyles Announces the 7th Annual Beautiful Baby Photo Contest!

The Winning Photo will be featured on the Cover of Community Lifestyles, February 22nd Issue!

- Email baby photo to: contact@communitylifestyles.com
- Include child’s name, age and phone number
- Digital format only, please (jpg format)
- All entries will be featured on our website in a special "Beautiful Baby Photo Contest" photo gallery
- Photos of children 0 to 2 years old only. One photo per child and no group shots please.

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OTPL Team Trivia
Thursday, February 11 @ 7:30p
Gather a team and test your knowledge at the C-Pub! Call 248.693.3001 to register your team of 2-6 people. Gift cards to the C-Pub will be awarded along with a trophy and future bragging rights for the first place team. The C-Pub is located in Canterbury Village at 2325 Joslyn Rd., Lake Orion. Next Trivia Night is Thursday, April 14 at 7:30p.

Cardboard Critters
Saturday, February 13 @ 10:00a
Learn about winter animals, then create adorable critters out of recycled materials like cardboard tubes and egg cartons. Ages 8 & up, register online, limit 20

Flash Fiction
Saturday, February 13 @ 1:00p
Gloria Nixon-John, author of two novels and a biography, will define flash fiction and show you how to create a flash fiction from bits of what you have or from scratch. This workshop is for beginners or seasoned writers. Space is limited, registration required

Math Gone Wild!
Saturday, February 20 @ 2:00p (Gr K-2) & 3:30p (Gr 3-5)
A totally new kind of math club where you will build stuff, make music, make a mess, and discover just how much fun math can be! Register online, limit 20

The library will be closed on Monday, February 29 for a staff in-service day. The library will re-open at 9:30a on Tuesday, March 1.

Get Published: The Journey from Writer to Author
Wednesday, February 24 @ 7:00p
Come learn about the publishing process from our very own Kristen Remenar, author of Groundhog's Dilemma and Draw with a Vengeance. Hear Kristen's experiences and ask questions of your own.

Packing Healthy Lunches for the Whole Family
Saturday, February 27 @ 10:30a
Registered dietitian, Kristin Brandstetter, will demonstrate how to pack healthy, allergy-free lunches for school that your kids are sure to enjoy. Parents and children elementary age and up are welcome! Registration required

Elephant & Piggie Party
Saturday, February 27 @ 2:30p
Hear stories, play games, and enjoy a bunch of Elephant and Piggie's favorite things! All ages, register online, limit 60
Are you the Chamber's next scholarship winner?

The Orion Area Chamber of Commerce is offering a $1000 Academic Scholarship to a 2016 graduate of Lake Orion High School who will pursue a 2-or 4-year degree at a verified college or community college. The Chamber of Commerce is proud to be part of this community and hope that by offering this scholarship we will enhance one local student's pursuit of higher education. Our goal is to encourage today's students to become tomorrow's Lake Orion business leaders.

Obviously, we at the Orion Area Chamber of Commerce are looking for future businesses to be part of our great organization.

Applications and eligibility requirements are available at the LOHS Counseling Office. The application deadline is May 6. The Chamber will present the scholarship at the Honors Convocation Ceremony on May 31 at Lake Orion High School.

Members making news

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Baker College named a Top School by Military Advanced Education & Transition

Baker College has been designated a Top School by Military Advanced Education & Transition (MAET) in its 2016 Guide to Colleges & Universities. MAET is a journal of higher education for service members and veterans making the transition from military to the civilian sector. Schools are ranked on six measures: military culture, financial aid, flexibility, general support, on-campus support, and online support services.

The Baker College military services team assists military-connected students in identifying educational benefits and other needed services. This assistance is provided at campuses and virtually for those enrolled in online programs. In addition to individual services, Baker College has a student veteran organization and quarterly events for military-connected students.

For information about Baker College military services, call 810-766-2212, email military@baker.edu, or visit baker.edu.

Living in a Millenial World "Series"

Marketing to millennials

According to the 2015 Internet Trends Report, 87% of millennials keep their nart phones with them constantly. Living in an internet world has created mobile-enabled millennials who believe they should get what they want when they want it.

To help businesses attract these customers, the Chamber is hosting a three-part series called Living in a Millenial World. The Binney effect's Brian Binney will facilitate Marketing to Millennials on Thursday, February 11th from 3:30 to 5:30 at the Chamber office, 46 W. Shadbolt in downtown Lake Orion. The seminar is open to both members and non-Chamber members; 25 for members and $45 for non-members.

This is the first of a three-part series. Register at orionarea.chamber.com or call 248-693-6300 for more information.

Employment Opportunities

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If you are a Chamber member and would like us to share your employment opportunities, please fill out the job posting submission form at orionarea.chamber.com.
Matt Faulkner’s warmth and sense of humor comes through in everything he does, but most of all in his children’s books.

“As a creator and someone who appreciates children’s books, I’d say my favorite aspect of the genre is that they can touch upon deep, important subject matter such as heroes and dreams/nights and imaginary friends — things that grown-ups generally choose to forget or ignore,” Faulkner says. “When a grown-up reads a picture book to a child, most of us like to pretend that the content is for the child, not us.”

Readers can meet the Lake Orion author and illustrator in person 1-2:30 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 31 at Book Beat bookstore in Oak Park. He will read and sign copies of his newest illustrated book, “Groundhog’s Dilemma.” It’s his first collaboration with his wife, writer Kristen Remenar, a youth services librarian at Orion Township Public Library.

Remenar will not be at the event. She is recovering from a minor stroke, and will be following doctor’s orders to rest at home, where she lives with Faulkner, their kids and cats.

“Kris is very thankful for all the wonderful support she’s received from so many kind people following her stroke,” Faulkner says, adding she’s “coming along nicely.”

Colleen Kammer, co-owner of Book Beat was enthusiastic about the book. “This is her first book,” she says of Remenar. “She’s really talented, and I’m really hoping there’s more collaboration.”

Remenar actually wrote another under a pen name: “Draw With A Vengeance: Get Even in Ink and Let Karma Handle the Rest,” by Helen Wrath.

Is it a coincidence that Groundhog Day is also her birthday? The groundhog won’t tell, but Faulkner will: “Kris has been a fan of all things groundhog since she was a little girl. Her editor, Yolanda Scott, called Kris on her birthday, Feb. 2nd, 2013, to let her know that she wanted to offer Kris a contract to publish the story.”

In “Groundhog’s Dilemma,” Groundhog sees his shadow, indicating six more weeks of winter to come. Hare and Bear are happy for more sleep, but Squirrel and Sparrow are suffering cabin fever. To ensure a better outcome next year, the animals bribe Groundhog with treats and parties. He wants to
make all the forest animals happy, but eventually learns a lesson most kids learn — you can’t please everyone.

Faulkner, who paints in watercolor and guache, is known for his ability to illuminate both historic stories and whimsical tales with sensitivity and joy. The 54-year-old grew up near Boston, Mass., where he learned early to draw, and developed his disarming sense of humor.

“At about the age of 8, I would come home from school and watch reruns of ‘Dennis The Menace.’ My mom dealt with my acting like a weisenheimer by turning off ‘the Tube’ and making me draw for half an hour,” he says. “I did this every day for quite a while. Still do, actually.”

While studying at Rhode Island School of Design, he was intimidated by the comparative talent of the other students.

“I was so frightened of becoming an illustrator — there were so many people who were a heck of a lot better than me — that I opted to study graphic design instead. I learned a lot of wonderful things in the graphics department. But not how to be an illustrator, which is what I really wanted to be.

“I goofed around after college trying to teach myself how to illustrate. But it wasn’t until I moved to Michigan in my mid-30s and met the wonderful artist and teacher Glenn Michaels, that I finally allowed myself the time and freedom to get a better education in the arts of painting, drawing and sculpting.”

What he loves most about making art is getting lost in a project. “I can forget everything else and just swim in the joy of making,” he says.

That’s not to say it’s always easy.

“I’ve worked hard to understand color,” Faulkner says. “I have a long way to go. But I sure am enjoying the process.”

And he’s mellowed with experience.

“I don’t get down on myself so much anymore. I acknowledge that I’m going to make mistakes. And, honestly, sometimes the parts that I feel are mistakes actually turn out to be the best parts of a piece.”

He wrote and illustrated his first children’s book, “The Amazing Voyage of Jackie Grace,” which was published by Scholastic in 1987. More than 30 books would follow, including the anti-racism “A Taste of Colored Water,” which won the Comstock Honor award from Minnesota State University in 2009 and was a winner in the pre-adolescent category from the National Storytelling Network.

He also has contributed to The New York Times, The Wall Street Journal and Forbes, and taught illustration at the Art Academy University in San Francisco while living in the Bay area.

For more information or to reserve books, call Book Beat at 248-968-1190. The event is free and open to the public.
June 4th
Oxford/Orion Relay for Life

June 29th
Girlfriends Walk

June/July/August
Concerts in the Park put on by the DDA

August 6th
Oxford's Lone Ranger Festival and Parade

October 1st
Scarecrow Festival

December 2nd
Soup and Sweet Stroll downtown

December 3rd
Oxford Chamber's Christmas Parade

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Recycling/Green Information

All four communities are in different stages of developing strategies to preserve and protect green spaces, natural wildlife habitats, and offer a wide variety of environmental information and conservation tips. Log on to:

**Orion Township** [www.oriontownship.org](http://www.oriontownship.org)
Click on “General Information”, then “Environmental.” Provides residents of the Township a list of environmental information from paper recycling to Gypsy Moth Control. Also provides information about garbage haulers, local recycling sites including:

**Eagle Valley Recycling Center**
600 W. Silverbell Rd., (248) 391-0990. Hours: Monday – Friday 7 am – 3:30 pm; Saturday 8 am – 11:30 am (call if it is raining). A schedule of household hazardous waste event dates and phone number is also provided.

**Lake Orion** [www.lakeorion.org](http://www.lakeorion.org)
Click on “links” then “Environment.” Provides links to a number of information sites to help residents participate in protecting the environment and natural resources.

**Oxford Township** [www.oxfordtownship.org](http://www.oxfordtownship.org)
Click on “Environmental”. No Haz, storm water/subwatershed information, list of environmental contacts and 24 hour environmental hotline information is on the drop down menu.

**Village of Oxford** [www.villageofoxford.org](http://www.villageofoxford.org)
Home page has Waste Management Information Flyer – click on this for information about Republic Services solid waste and recycling programs including pick up schedule, holiday schedules, acceptable items and special pickups. Contact information for Republic Services is also provided. For additional information you can click on the link to Oxford Township that is also on the home page. 2978 or log on to [www.recyclebank.com](http://www.recyclebank.com) for more info.

**North Oakland Household Hazardous Waste Consortium (NOHAZ)**
(248) 859-5656 [www.advantageoakland.com](http://www.advantageoakland.com)
All four communities are part of this program. Log on to see the collection events and schedule. NOTE: Program is free to residents of Lake Orion and Orion Township. Residents of Oxford and Orion Township can get a free voucher online through the Oxford Township website.

**Clinton River Watershed Council**
1115 W. Avon Rd., Rochester Hills 48309
(248) 601-0606 [www.crwc.org](http://www.crwc.org)

**Michigan Green Schools – Oakland County**
2111 Pontiac Lake Rd., Waterford, 48328
(248) 209-2000 [www.oakland.k12.mi.us](http://www.oakland.k12.mi.us)

**Michigan State University Extension Office**
1200 N. Telegraph Rd., Dept. 416, Pontiac, 48341
(248) 858-0880 [www.oakgov.com/msu](http://www.oakgov.com/msu)

**Michigan Recycling Coalition**
(517) 974-3672 [www.michiganrecycles.org](http://www.michiganrecycles.org)
Provides helpful information, links and guides.

**Moose Tree Nature Preserve**
Through the Lake Orion Community Schools 3181 West Clarkston Rd., Lake Orion 48362
(248) 391-9649

**North Oakland Headwaters Land Conservancy**
P.O. Box 285, Clarkston, 48347
(248) 795-2808 [www.nohlco.org](http://www.nohlco.org)

**Paint Creek Trail**
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(248) 651-9260 [www.paintcreektrail.org](http://www.paintcreektrail.org)

**Polly Ann Trail Management Council**
23 E. Elmwood, PO Box 112, Leonard 48367
(248) 969-8660 [www.pollyanntrailway.org](http://www.pollyanntrailway.org)

**Six Rivers Land Conservancy**
4490 Orion Rd, Rochester 48306
(248) 601-2816 [www.sixriverslc.org](http://www.sixriverslc.org)

**Upland Hills Ecological Awareness Center**
2575 Indian Lake Rd., Oxford 48370
(248) 633-2878 [www.uheac.org](http://www.uheac.org)
Provides experiences and resources that promote a sustainable relationship with the natural world and each other.

Libraries

**Oakland Talking Book Service**
administered by Rochester Hills Public Library
(248) 650-7150 [www.otbs.rhlpl.org](http://www.otbs.rhlpl.org)
Free service that loans more than 20,000 talking books, magazines, large print books, Braille materials, and book players. Applications may be made in person or online.

**Orion Township Public Library**
825 Joslyn Rd., Lake Orion 48362
(248) 693-3000 [orionlibrary.org](http://orionlibrary.org)

**Oxford Public Library**
530 Pontiac Road, Oxford 48371
(248) 628-3034 [www.miopl.org](http://www.miopl.org)

Mailing Services

Post Office Locations: (600) ASK-USPS (275-8777) [www.usps.com](http://www.usps.com)
- 611 N Oxford St., Lake Orion 48362 (248) 693-3253
- 52 E. Burdick St., Oxford 48371 (248) 628-3943

**Federal Express (Fed Ex)**
(800) 463-3399 [www.fedex.com](http://www.fedex.com)

**Shipping Centers**
- Fed Ex Office Print and Ship Center,
  4193 Baldwin Rd, Auburn Hills 48326 (248) 253-0719

**United Parcel Service (UPS)**
Toll Free (800) PICK-UPS (742-5877) [www.ups.com](http://www.ups.com)
UPS Store: 540 N. Lapeer Rd., Orion 48362 (248) 814-7781
Authorized UPS Ship Center:
- 3759 S. Baldwin Rd., Lake Orion 48359 (248) 393-3277
Log on to the website to find information about drop boxes and smaller annex locations.

Orion Oxford Area
Events & Fundraisers

**Friends of the Orion Center Seniors Meetings**
January 27 and every 4th Wednesday, 10 am at the Orion Center, 1335 Joslyn Rd, Orion

**Bowling To Support Joe Kent**
Friday, January 29, 7 pm. Collier Lanes, 879 S. Lapeer Rd., Oxford. More information [here](#).

**15th Annual Preschool and Childcare Open House**
Wednesday, February 3, 4-7:00 pm, Orion Township Public Library, 825 Joslyn Rd, Lake Orion. More information [here](#).

**Good Shepherd Lutheran School Scrapbook and Crafting Event**
February 5: 6 pm - midnight, February 6: 8 am- 8 pm, 1950 S. Lapeer Rd., Lake Orion, MI. More information [here](#).

**Ice Cup Golf Challenge**
Lake Orion Rotary, Saturday February 6, 11 am. More information [here](#).

**Special Olympics Michigan Polar Plunge Fundraiser**
February 10, Buffalo Wild Wings, 770 N Lapeer Rd, Lake Orion, 10% of all net sales will be donated to Special Olympics Michigan.

**2016 Lake Orion Polar Plunge**
February 13, registration begins at 9 am, parade of costumes and plunge begins at 10 am. Awards and Post Plunge Party begins immediately following the last plunger. More information [here](#).

**Kids Night at Culver's of Lake Orion**
Wednesdays, 4 - 9 pm, includes $2.99 kid's meals, free custard, clown, balloons, prizes, and more.

**Tuesday Bingo at Culver's of Lake Orion**
Tuesdays, 4:30 - 6:30 pm. Chance to win a $50 Culver's gift certificate, trivia, lots of car cruise prizes, and spin the prize wheel!
### Week at a Glance

| **Monday** 1/18 | 4 pm - 7 pm Friends Winter Gently Used Book Sale, Orion Township Public Library |
| **Tuesday** 1/19 | Free Bingo Night at Culver's 5 pm - 8:30 pm Friends Winter Gently Used Book Sale, Orion Township Public Library |
| **Wednesday** 1/20 | 9:30 am - 8:30 pm Friends Winter Gently Used Book Sale, Orion Township Public Library 1:30 pm Ribbon Cutting at Powers Distributing 4:30 pm Ribbon Cutting at L.A. Dance Kids Night at Culver's |
| **Thursday** 1/21 | 9:30 am - 8:30 pm Friends Winter Gently Used Book Sale, Orion Township Public Library 3:30 Ribbon Cutting at 51 North 4 pm - 6 pm Thirsty Thursday at 51 North |
Just in time for Valentine's Day, we're having a contest and you could win some cool library swag! You can enter by liking our Facebook page and/or by commenting below why YOU love your library! The contest runs from 9:30 am on Mon 2/8 through 5:00 pm on Sat 2/13.

April Fisher likes this.
2 shares

Comments

April Fisher Friendly librarians, self check outs, activities galore.
Like · Reply · 1 · February 8 at 2:30pm

Orion Township Public Library
February 6 at 3:51pm ·

The Today show has a great tip on teaching kids about money...playing games! This article specifically mentions The Settlers of Catan, one of the games that we have in our circulating board game collection. What a great way for your kids to learn...by having fun!

9 ways to teach kids about nutrition, fitness, money, organization

We all want to teach our kids healthy habits — but what are the best ways to accomplish that when we’re busy or exhausted?
TODAY.COMBY LAURA T. COFFEY

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Comments
Orion Township Public Library

February 4 at 7:02pm ·

Yikes! Have you ever read a book that made you a bit frightened of something? A few of these have definitely stuck with us!

10 Books That Have Given Me Phobias

Ten books that have given a chronic worrier a few new phobias.

BOOKRIOT.COM

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3 people like this.

Comments

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Jim Abramczyk Strange Highways by Dean Koontz. The author is truly twisted.

Like · Reply · February 4 at 7:40pm

Cindy Valuet-Mack Robopocalypse by Daniel Wilson. Forget the zombies, it is your smart car you need to worry about!

Like · Reply · February 5 at 8:08am
Orion Township Public Library
Put these on your reading list to celebrate Black History Month! There are some great authors and award winning books. [http://www.huffingtonpost.com/…/25-books-by-black-authors-f…](http://www.huffingtonpost.com/…/25-books-by-black-authors-f…)

25 Books By Black Authors From 2015 You Need To Read

These books are so necessary.
HUFFINGTONPOST.COM|BY TARYN FINLEY

Green Hippo Gifts likes this.

Orion Township Public Library shared Kindermusik at the Clarkston Conservatory of Music’s photo.
February 1 at 3:33pm ·

Check out this exclusive Disney adventure at the Clarkston Conservatory of Music. See below for more information, and look for Kindermusik at the library this June!

Kindermusik at the Clarkston Conservatory of Music shared Kindermusik at the Clarkston Conservatory of Music’s photo.
January 31 at 11:33am ·

We are excited to offer an exclusive Disney adventure at the Clarkston Conservatory of Music. Get ready to Rock & Roar as we bring you the musical adventure of ...
Orion Township Public Library added 2 new photos.

February 1 at 12:00pm · Lake Orion ·

Only a couple of days until the 15th Annual Preschool and Childcare Open House at the Orion Library! Meet Lake Orion and Oxford area providers on Wednesday, February 3 from 4:00p to 7:00p, ask questions, and gather information at this special Open House. Drawings for raffle prizes!

Sylvia Hubbard likes this.

Orion Township Public Library shared Ring of Steel Action Theatre and Stunt Troupe's post.

A huge thank you to Ring of Steel Action Theatre and Stunt Troupe for today's performance, full of fun facts and exciting action!

Ring of Steel Action Theatre and Stunt Troupe added 10 new photos — with Jennifer Pan and 2 others

Page

January 30 at 3:34pm ·

Thanks to Orion Township Public Library for having us out for an action-packed Saturday afternoon!

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Kathleen Donohue Logan and 13 others like this.
Orion Township Public Library added 6 new photos to the album: Groundhog Day Party — at Orion Township Public Library.

January 30 at 11:58am ·

We celebrated Groundhog Day a bit early with a special live reading of Groundhog's Dilemma, written by our very own Kristen Remenar and performed by artist Matt Faulkner.

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20 people like this.

Orion Township Public Library Thanks, Matt Faulkner.

Like · Reply · 2 · January 30 at 11:59am

Orion Township Public Library

January 29 at 9:18am ·

Friday Tech Talk @ OTPL: This Week in Tech History

January 26, 1997: Electronic vs. Paper Books in SF Library

The New York Times chronicles the debate between electronic and paper books in an article about the new San Francisco Public Library. Critics complained that the library sacrificed too much book space for computer terminals and too many books for online information, lamenting as well the end of the traditional card catalogue that has marked a move to the information a...
Chronological
Suzanne Radabaugh, Kathleen Donohue Logan and 21 others like this.
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Comments
Linda Pannuto The library sure is a fun place!
Like  Reply  2  ·  January 28 at 8:08pm
Jessica Burbo Oh no! I can't believe we missed this! I was begging you guys to have one last year when Brandon library did!
Like  Reply  ·  January 28 at 9:19pm

Orion Township Public Library
January 28 at 11:11am · Lake Orion ·

Ring of Steel Action Theater and Stunt Troupe will be performing at the Orion Township Public Library on Saturday, January 30 at 2:00p. The clash of steel will keep audiences riveted as knights, musketeers, and even Jedi do battle in a series of action vignettes that include combative demonstrations.
This sounds exciting!

Because Potter finished only one drawing for the book, it will be illustrated by Quentin Blake, who is best-known for his art in many of Roald Dahl's books.

100 Years Later, Beatrix Potter's Tale Of A Fanciful Feline To Be Published

The Tale of Kitty-in-Boots is set for release in September. It features a favorite Potter character — Peter Rabbit — "albeit older, slower and portlier."

Ever wonder what happens at the library overnight? Bring your stuffed animal to our sleepover and he/she will find out! The stuffed animal storytime will be at 7:00p on Wednesday, January 27, and afterwards, your animal will stay the night and be ready to be picked up on Thursday any time after 9:30a. All ages, register online at orionlibrary.org/calendar.
Orion Township Public Library
January 25 at 12:21pm ·

Toddlers had messy fun playing with sensory snow after Mother Goose storytime! Try this at home by mixing baking soda and shaving cream in a bin. It even feels cold! ❄️

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17 people like this.
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Orion Township Public Library
January 23 at 11:50am ·

We've added a new dog to our Doggone Readers program! Meet Griffin, a Golden Retriever/Great Dane mix, and his trainer Anu. Kids in grades K-5 can sign up to read to Griffin, Maggie, or Midas. Call the Youth desk at 248-693-3002 to register.

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11 people like this.
3 shares
Comments
View 2 more comments
Nancy Trepagnier Way to go Griffin!!!!!!!
Like · Reply · 2 · January 23 at 5:54pm

Jessica Burbo What time on Saturday? We miss coming to see the other dogs but we are so busy on the weekdays.
Like · Reply · 1 · January 23 at 6:10pm

Orion Township Public Library Griffin will be here on the third Saturday of each month from January-April, with reading times at 11:00, 11:15, 11:30, and 11:45.
Like · Reply · January 23 at 6:47pm
Friday Tech Talk @ OTPL: Looking for honest-to-goodness, expert, thorough and insightful reviews on tech gadgets and household items? Check out www.thewirecutter.com and www.thesweethome.com. The reviews are updated often and the reviewers are active in the comments section answering questions. Feel like getting Consumer Reports reviews? Come in to OTPL and a librarian can use the library's subscription to assist you.

Sometimes when our librarians are very busy, the duck helps out and answers the phone.

That must be true, I called yesterday and a duck answered and said, quack.smile emoticon

Aflac Duck approves this message.
Join us on Monday, January 25 at 6:30p for a viewing of the award-winning documentary "Shakespeare Behind Bars." Following the documentary there will be a Q&A session with Oakland University Professor Neils Herold.

Blind Date With a Book is back! Take a chance on one of the youth, teen, or adult books on this display...you might just find your perfect match!
The Friends of the Orion Library Winter Used Book Sale is this week!

Lori Salley McGeary and 13 others like this.
16 shares

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Justine Becker, Jennifer Hamel Dholakia and 15 others like this.
3 shares

Mary Gnodtke Painter Shop early and OFTEN. Each book in the sale has been handled with love. And, all of the proceeds go to the library.
Tina Marie Is this today??

Orion Township Public Library The sale opens to the public this Wednesday, January 20 at 9:30am. There is a teachers preview tomorrow evening and Friends members night is Tuesday.
Our new IT guy, Eric, is available every Thursday evening from 6-8 for drop-in tech help!

Suzanne Radabaugh, Kim Dillon Winther and 10 others like this.

Linda Pannuto This is the real Eric and he does have a beard!

Like Reply January 14 at 7:47pm

Norman Leon This is a great public service. Kudos Team OTPL.

Like Reply January 16 at 12:45pm

Orion Township Public Library Thanks!

Like Reply January 16 at 12:49pm

Check out this awesome sewing machine that the Library was able to purchase with money donated to Library Wishlist! This webpage lists some things that the library would like to purchase, but are beyond the scope of our budget. If any of the items on the list are of interest to you, donating is easy and can be done at orionlibrary.org/library-wishlist/.

You, Judi Rudisill, Justine Becker and 12 others like this.

Lisa Yatooma Haugh Is this available for patron use? Are there sewing lessons at the library? That would be cool.

Like Reply January 14 at 3:25pm

Orion Township Public Library It isn't available yet, we're still working on getting some of the items we want for future programming. We will be sure to post as soon as it is available!

Like Reply January 14 at 3:30pm
It's January and if you are still looking for 2016 resolutions here are some apps that may help you.

**7 Apps for your Bookish Resolutions**

Apps to help you keep your bookish New Year's Resolutions

3 people like this.

Comments

Our new IT guy, Eric, will be posting a new tech topic every Friday. This week, he wants to share with you a very good Windows application that he feels will be useful to computer users who try to print or save screenshots of what is on their screen.

Our network & systems administrator (IT Guy) is available to help you with your electronic device from 6:00p-8:00p every Thursday. Learn how to use your new device, recommend devices based on your needs, remove viruses, fix error messages, configure email, recommend apps, and otherwise help you with anything involving technology. No sign up is necessary for this weekly program, but you may call Eric at 248-287-8019 if you need to discuss something before you come to the drop-in tech help.

Kim Dillon Winther and 6 others like this.

Kim Dillon Winther

3 shares

**HealthQuest Physical Therapy** WOW. What an awesome service to offer. Thanks, Eric!

Jim Abramczyk The beard makes him look legit.

Orion Township Public Library Lol Jim! That's not really a picture of Eric, so you'll have to just come on for some tech help to see what he really looks like smile emoticon
Dear Karen,

Welcome to this week’s round up of information on professional development programs and events from MLA and other organizations serving the library community.

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**Plan Now for Spring Workshops; Registration to Open in January**

The volunteer work groups have been planning and prepping since June and the spring 2016 workshops are ready to unveil. Visit the MLA events page on the website for program details and mark your calendar now. Registration will open in January. [Event](Calendar)

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**Money Available For MLA Event Attendance**

Don't let financial issues stand between you and an enriching education opportunity. MLA has a scholarship fund to assist individual members with defraying costs for attending association sponsored education events. Deadline to apply for Leadership Academy, Spring Institute and spring workshops is February 1, 2016; the deadline to apply for Academic Libraries is March 1; and the deadline to apply for MLA 2016 annual conference is September 1, 2016. [More Information](Money Available For MLA Event Attendance)
MLA Program Seeks Mentor Candidates
To be successful in any field, aspiring leaders require role models and guidance. That is especially true of library science, where students and emerging professionals have such a wide range of specialties to choose from. If you are a public, academic or special library professional who has a desire to help others grow through your experience, please consider applying to the MLA Mentor Program. Not only will you provide guidance and expanded growth opportunities for your mentee, the experience you gain by mentoring someone can facilitate your own professional growth, making you more of an asset to your organization. More

'Thinking Money' Traveling Exhibition
The ALA Public Programs Office, in partnership with the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority (FINRA) Investor Education Foundation, is accepting applications for Thinking Money, a traveling exhibition to U.S. public libraries. Thinking Money is a museum-quality exhibition that will travel to 50 U.S. public libraries between 2016 and 2018. Through an adventure-themed storyline, interactive iPad content and other fun, hands-on activities, the exhibition explores themes like wants vs. needs, preparing for a rainy/sunny day, and imagining your future self. For guidelines and to apply online, visit www.ala.org/thinkingmoney. Applications are due Jan. 29, 2016.

2016 Leadership Academy deadline to apply is Feb. 1
Build skills and develop a support system that you can call on as you navigate your way throughout your career. MLA Leadership Academy covers everything from leadership fundamentals to successfully managing the politics inherent in every library position. Scholarships are available. More Information

Summer Reading Resources Available
It is hard to imagine Summer Reading with the weather right now, but it will be coming soon. As you are looking for programming and materials to go along with the manuals and your local materials, take a look at the Collaborative Summer Reading partners page. There are free and discounted materials and services there that include:

- Bedtime Math
- Campaign for Grade Level Reading
- NASA Museum Alliance
- National Geographic
- National Park Service
- National Summer Learning Association
- The Great Reading Adventure
- Teaching Books
- And more!

http://www.cslpreads.org/membership-sponsorship-2/our-partners/
As you develop your local materials, do keep the CSLP Rules of Use (http://www.cslpreads.org/membership-sponsorship-2/rules-of-use/) in mind when ordering or creating materials with the logos and graphics. If you have any questions, please contact Karren Reish at reischk@michigan.gov or 517-241-0021.
Dear Karen,

Welcome to this month’s roundup of advocacy news. Read on for updates on

**Congressman Levin Expresses Opposition to PA 269/SB571**
Librarians were well represented in Roseville last week at Congressman Sandy Levin’s press conference to voice opposition to PA 269/SB571. Jessica Keyser, Director of Ferndale Public Library spoke on behalf of area librarians emphasizing that the law violates the most-important responsibility of any librarian: to provide information to the public. Read Rep. Levin’s press release

Rep. Levin also spoke at the State of Clinton Township meeting at Clinton Macomb Public Library citing the library as an amazing example of how an informed citizenry needs to be able to make good decisions about local millages. [Full Article]

**Federal Lawsuit Underway**
If legislators are unable to secure a reasonable solution, a federal court challenge which is currently underway may be the only remaining option. City officials from Roseville, Algonac, Dowagiac are among 18 plaintiffs in a federal lawsuit filed this week in Detroit charging that a "gag order" provision in Public Act 269 is unconstitutional and asking that the law be overturned. ([View a press release](https://example.com) about the suit.) MLA is working with the coalition and has contributed to the funding of the suit. Additionally, a motion for immediate injunctive relief has been filed. If approved this would set aside the law until a judge decides the outcome of the legal challenge.

**Good News on Penal Fines**
Rep. Julie Plawicki’s (D-Dearborn Heights) bill HB 4651 increases penalties for unendorsed motorcycle riders. She removed the section of her bill that would have funneled a portion of the penal fines to purposes other than library support. We met with the representative and explained to her how important it was that those fines remain dedicated to libraries. We appreciate Rep. Plawicki’s sensitivity to this important library funding source. This bill was the first of three recent attempts to divert penal fines. MLA and GCSI are watching carefully for these attempts.

Watch for Important News on Tax Capture Legislation
Senator Jack Brandenburg (R-Harrison Twp.) has introduced seven bills that would eliminate most automatic tax captures (Downtown Development Authorities DDA, Tax Increment Financing TIF) for libraries including those pre 1994 as long as there is no bond attached to the entity. MLA and GSCI worked with the senator’s office explaining that libraries are asking for transparency and accountability on the part of tax captures.
The bills unanimously passed out of senate committee last month and soon we expect to see action on the Senate floor. Passage of the bills would mean the tax capture would reach out and build a relationship with the library, explain their projects and then let the library board make an informed decision if allocating a portion of their funding to the tax capture is beneficial for all parties including library patrons. It would no longer allow automatic tax capture from pre 1994 TIFAs. The library board has an obligation to be able to tell their voters why their tax dollars are not directly funding the library. Click on the following links to view the bills: SB 0579 of 2015, SB 0619 of 2015, SB 0620 of 2015, SB 0621 of 2015, SB 0622 of 2015, SB0623 of 2015, SB 0624 of 2015

Update from the Flint Public Library on the Flint water crisis and how you can help
Friends in the Library world,
The Flint Public Library is getting many expressions of sympathy from libraries all over the country about the water crisis in Flint - thank you all so much for your concern for our community and our library! For anyone who wants to help our community deal with the long range effects of this crisis, I encourage a money donation to our Community Foundation's Flint Child Health & Development Fund that has been established to fund programming now and into the future for kids affected by lead exposure. This is a gift that will be greatly needed even after the current water issues are solved. Go to flintkids.org, Full Letter www.cfgf.org for more information, and the donation page is
Dear Karen,

Welcome to this month’s round up of networking, collaboration and resources to build stronger libraries and library professionals. In the spirit of networking, feel free to share information on programs or articles you feel would be of interest to MLA members. Email MLA@milibraries.org to suggest a topic or idea.

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**Marketing Your Library: Promoting Your Library Like a Marketing Pro**

Library professionals from the smallest to the largest libraries will learn how to promote the great things happening at their locations. Whether you have no resources, limited resources, or a wealth of resources this event will help you find your voice and communicate your value to your community. [Learn More](#) or [Register now](#).

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**Half Day Workshop - How to Present Like a Professional**

Are you looking to grow your presentation skills? Do your job duties require you to present in front of a group of people? If you answered yes to these questions you may want to acquire the talents and know how to become a highly effective presenter. During this half day workshop you'll learn how to identify and refine your presentation topics, meet the needs of your audience, gather and organize your research and more. [Learn more](#) or [Register now](#).
Funding Available for Library Staff Professional Development - New Deadline March 31st
The Library of Michigan Continuing Education stipend program is available year round. The next review of requests will be early April so keep the program in mind for late spring and early summer events. These events can include a workshop, webinar or conference. The next deadline will be March 31st for events AFTER March 31st. Going forward, you can submit at any time through the year and requests will be reviewed each quarter. Michigan public, academic and school library staff are eligible to apply for continuing education stipends. The program details and criteria are available at the Library of Michigan website.

ALA New Members Roundtable Members Eligible for Grant
Current members of the American Library Association's New Members Roundtable (NMRT) are eligible to apply for a $1,000 grant to attend the ALA Annual Conference, taking place June 23-28 2016 in Orlando, FL. This grant is generously sponsored by Mango Languages. Applicants for the award must be current members of the NMRT. If you are not a current member and would like to join, please visit the ALA website and choose the "Join/Renew" link to log in to your account and add the NMRT to your ALA membership. Click here to apply. The deadline for applications is March 1, 2016, and the grant winner will be notified of their award by April 1.

Día Turns 20 Mini-grants - Apply Now
April 30 of 2016 marks 20 years of the celebration of Día as the connection of children and books, so the Association for Library Service to Children (ALSC) has a funding opportunity to make the celebration even bigger! Applications for 20 mini-grants of $2,000 are now open and available here. ALSC members in public libraries within 20 miles of a Dollar General retail or corporate location are welcome to apply. Start thinking about how your library would like to celebrate 20 years of connecting children with diverse books and apply now!

National Library Legislative Day
Now's your chance to speak to your lawmakers about the importance of libraries. National Library Legislative Day is a two-day advocacy event where hundreds of library supporters, leaders and patrons gather in Washington, D.C. to meet with their members of Congress to champion national library funding. This year's National Library Legislative Day will be held May 2-3, 2016. You can be among the hundreds of librarians that plan to meet with their congressional representatives and senators in Washington, D.C. to advocate for important library legislation. Gale Cengage Learning is sponsoring two representatives from the Michigan library community to go to National Library Legislative Day, May 2-3, 2016 in Washington DC. Visit galesupport.com/legislativeeday for more information and to submit your application. The opportunity is open to all Michigan librarians. (submissions must be received by March 18, 2016)
Public Service Loan Forgiveness
Recent graduates, you may be able to receive loan forgiveness under the Public Service Loan Forgiveness Program. The Public Service Loan Forgiveness (PSLF) Program forgives the remaining balance on your Direct Loans after you have made 120 qualifying monthly payments under a qualifying repayment plan while working full-time for a qualifying employer. Learn More

Leadership Academy
Are you looking for the skills that will take you to that next level of leadership? MLA Leadership Academy offers the kind of training not found in library school. Plus you will develop a cohort of colleagues that you can call on and count on for support as you navigate your way throughout your career. Nine topics cover everything from leadership fundamentals to successfully managing the politics inherent in every library position. Registration closes February 16th, reserve your spot today. More Information

Mark Your Calendar: MLA 2016 Calendar of Events
Registration Open
From marketing to technology to readers' advisory to community collaboration, the 2016 line up of events offers something for everyone. New this year, half day workshops offer professional development opportunities for those with limited time and budget. Visit the event calendar for full session descriptions and register today. More Information

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Dear Karen,

Welcome to this week's round up of all things membership. Read on for messages from our leadership, MLA news, member news and more.

As always we welcome your feedback and ideas at MLA@milibraries.org.

Your MLA membership will expire on: 6/1/2016
Visit the MLA website to renew your membership or update your profile (login required).

President's Update
Show of hands, please - who wants to ride a Zamboni? Last weekend two of my student workers and I got to do just that at a Northern Michigan University hockey game. In a few days, we'll get to climb to the rafters of the Superior Dome, NMU's 14-story athletic dome. People are sometimes surprised when I tell them that I'm convinced that adventures like this contribute to the success of our library.
Continue reading President's Update

Executive Director's Desk
Governor's 2017 FY Budget Recommendation Holds Libraries Harmless This Year
Governor Snyder has recommended a 2017 FY budget that's nearly a mirror image of libraries' 2016 numbers. Last year's $1 million increase in State Aid to Libraries for fiscal year 2015/16 along with the additional Renaissance Zone Reimbursements remain in the governor's recommendation. In fact, line items for the Library of Michigan, LSTA and Michigan eLibrary showed a modest $94,000 total increase over last year. Continue reading Executive Director's Desk
American Library Association Midwinter Meeting 2016 Councilor’s report
Michigan Chapter Councilor, Steven K. Bowers’s midwinter report now available. Read the report here

Board of Director Election Candidate Info on Web
MLA will hold elections for the board of directors April 19 - May 2. This year MLA members will vote for one President-Elect candidate and three Member-at-Large candidates. The ACRL Chapter Representative and Representative-Elect are appointed by the MLA board. Elections will be held by online vote; members will receive election information via email on April 4; those without email addresses on file at MLA will receive election information via mail. Candidate information is available on the MLA website. More Information

Kent District Library Awarded Certificate of Achievement
Kent District Library has been awarded the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting by The Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) for its 2014 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR). The Certificate of Achievement is awarded to state and local governments who go beyond the minimum requirements of accounting principles to achieve the highest standards in governmental accounting and financial reporting. The Kent District Library Finance Department has also received an award of Financial Reporting Achievement for preparing the award winning CAFR. Continue reading

Orion Township Library Receives 2015 Library of Congress Literacy Award
The Orion Township Public Library in metro Detroit is winner of the 2015 Library of Congress Literacy Award for helping children learn to read. Continue Reading

Leadership Academy Early Bird Discounts End January 15
Are you looking for the skills that will take you to that next level of leadership? MLA Leadership Academy offers the kind of training not found in library school. Plus you will develop a cohort of colleagues that you can call on and count on for support as you navigate your way throughout your career. Nine topics cover everything from leadership fundamentals to successfully managing the politics inherent in every library position. Registration is now open, early bird discounts expire January 15. More Information

Seeking Nominees for MLA Author Award
Established in 1992, the MLA Michigan Author Award recognizes an outstanding published body of literary work by an author who is either from Michigan or has substantial ties to the state. Over the years, the award has been given to a diverse collection of writers working in a
variety of genres and styles. Nominations will be accepted through February 28, 2016.

More Information

Make the Most of Your Membership: Professional Recognition

As a library professional, you work hard and provide invaluable service. While recognition isn't a driving factor in the work you do, it is nice to be appreciated for your efforts. MLA has a variety of ways to recognize and celebrate librarians who go above and beyond to serve their patrons, their community and the library profession. If you know of a deserving MLA member, please consider nominating them for one of the following awards:

- MLA Librarian of the Year
- MLA Up and Comer Award
- Heart of a Champion Award

If you know of a youth librarian that deserves recognition for their outstanding service to youth, please consider honoring them with a nomination. The award will be presented at the Spring Institute 2016 conference on April 14 at the Kellogg Hotel and Conference Center in East Lansing.

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The Orion Township Public Library always welcomes compliments, concerns, and suggestions from our library users. The library director carefully reviews each form put in the suggestion box. Thank you for taking the time to comment. Purchase requests may also be sent to the library website at http://orionlibrary.org/purchase-request/

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is a great author

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Address: ____________________________

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Recommend

Language Myth by Lawrence Q. Page

by John McCarthy and Peter W. McMonnies

At least one academic source...

So we may respond, please print:

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Eric was so helpful with my questions about the catalog. He was so knowledgeable and helpful. So nice!

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Blind date service.

I can always let him down easy.

and I like the idea of a blind date with a...

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January brought the return of many programs to the library! Story times started up again, which have been appreciated by over 500 children and their caregivers. In addition, the youth department has had a number of other programs, including Wacky Wednesday (17), Game On (15), Math Gone Wild (18), Winter Crafts (26), Lego @ the Library (23), Doggone Readers (18), and Music & Movement (12). Perhaps one of the more popular programs was our Stuffed Animal Sleepover (25), which received a lot of positive feedback on Facebook!

Since Ms. Kristen is out recovering from her stroke, the youth department staff have been busy handling her outreach programs as well as in-house story times and book deliveries. Kathleen and Debra presented at the Orion School teachers in-service on resources available at the library. Suzanne spent a lot of time in January getting everything set up for the Preschool Fair. Youth staff continue to prepare for the Battle, which is coming up in March. Debra is also preparing for a new program, called 1000 Books Before Kindergarten, which should launch this spring. We also have a new dog to add to our Doggone Readers program, Griffin, and this will provide another day each month for kids to come and read to a dog.

Debra and Beth met with the Head of the Media Specialists at LOCS to see how we might be able to better work together to reach more kids during Summer Reading this year. Many ideas were shared. Summer Reading planning is well underway by all library staff.

Kathleen provided a weekly after school program for kids at Scripps Middle School in January, including a book discussion, trivia game, and movie viewing. In addition, Geek Club attracted 29 teens in January, Pizza & Paperbacks brought 12 teens, and 28 teens came to her after-hours Movie & Pizza Party.

We kicked off our participation in the Great Michigan Read in January, focused on the book Station Eleven. We had book discussions for the book as well as some special programs like Shakespeare Behind Bars (7) and the Ring of Steel Action Theater (31). In addition, our 1-1 Computer Classes were very popular, attended by 24 people in January. We also had our first Color Me Calm program, providing coloring for adults, and 15 adults attended and provided very positive feedback. As such, Beth will be repeating this program during the next few months.

Outreach staff continues their regular programming also, with the most popular being the Next Chapter Book Clubs (58) and our Computer Classes at the Orion Center (17).
Director’s Report
February 18, 2016
Karen Knox

In honor of Valentine’s Day, librarians from all departments put together our “Blind Date with a Book” display, wrapping up books in colorful paper for our patrons to select a surprise read. This has been very popular again this year.

A staff committee is planning our 2016 Staff In-Service day, which will be held on Monday, February 29 at the library. The library will be closed for the day so staff can participate in learning more about things that will help them do their job better. The day will end with a team-building activity at Brick It Up!

I am continuing to work on our HVAC upgrade project. Johnson Controls provided their presentation and recommendations to the board at the January board meeting. Lake Orion Plumbing Heating and Cooling made a presentation to the Building Committee on February 3. A recommendation will go to the full board at the meeting on February 18.

I have been working with Kimberly Bolan and Associates on the design for our Adult Services area. Through phone calls and emails, we have continued the work. We have received some initial designs for the area, including furniture and layout recommendations. At this time, I am estimating that we will not be ready to implement any changes until the Fall, as the HVAC project will take priority at this time.

I am also working with Kimberly Bolan and Associates on signage for the Youth area. We want to get some attractive signage that fits with our new design in that area. We are finalizing some of the details for the signs this month.

I worked with each of the department heads in January to create their departmental goals for 2016. The list follows this report in this board packet, for your review.

In case you haven’t seen it, the January/February ONTV show, Orion @ Your Library, is available here: https://youtu.be/Zy7nyT3sXzc.

I put together a proposal to present at Michigan’s Rural Library Conference on the topic of partners in the community, and my proposal was accepted. Therefore, I will be presenting at this conference in early May.

The Friends’ next board meeting will be held on February 22. They had a very successful Winter Book Sale in January. They are also busy preparing for this year’s Passport to Spring, which will be Japan: A Festival of Seasons on Saturday, April 30.
Reminders and other notable upcoming events for the Library:

- Beginning January 1 – Great Michigan Read: Station Eleven
- February 15-17 – Karen K at Innovative Directors Symposium
- February 17-19 – Annual library audit fieldwork
- February 29 – Library Closed, Staff In-Service Day
- March 3 – The Great Foodini, 6:30p
- March 7 – Septic System Use & Maintenance, 7:00p
- March 8 – Karen K’s BIRTHDAY! 😊
- March 12 – Battle of the Books at Scripps MS, 10:00a
- March 14 – Orion Historical Society, 7:00p
- March 15 – Battle Awards Ceremony @ LOHS, 6:30p
- March 14-16 – Karen K and MaryAnne attend Harwood training, Lansing
- March board meeting – Audit Presentation
# Statistical Report - Usage for the month of January 2016

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Orion Township Public Library
Board of Trustees Building Committee Meeting, 1/21/2016

1) Call to order @ 5:30 p.m.

2) Agenda:
   a) HVAC – Johnson Control is preparing a proposal for the HVAC work
   b) Adult floor plan renovations
   c) Youth signage mockups

3) Discussion Items
   a) Johnson Control will make a presentation at the Board meeting to follow.
   b) Adult floor plan renovations plans discussed
   c) Some initial mockups for the youth signage were shared

4) Action Items
   a) none

5) New Meetings Scheduled
   a) Wednesday, February 3 at 5pm

6) Questions from the Public - none

7) Adjournment at 6:15 p.m.

James Phillips
Secretary, Board of Trustees
Orion Township Public Library
1) Call to order @ 5:15 p.m.

2) Agenda:
   a) LO Plumbing, Heating & Cooling proposal for the HVAC work

3) Discussion Items
   a) LOPHC presentation by Jason
   b) Other bidders rejected due to non-compliance with bid specifications and/or pricing

4) Action Items
   a) Recommend to full board LOPH&C

5) New Meetings Scheduled
   a) none

6) Questions from the Public - none

7) Adjournment at 6:15 p.m.

James Phillips
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