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

I. Call to order
II. Introduction of new employee
III. Swearing in of trustees – Orion Township Clerk
IV. Approval of agenda
V. Consent agenda
   A. Minutes of 10/18/2016 Library Board meeting
   B. Bills
   C. Financial Statement and Treasurer’s Report from October 2016
VI. Call to Public
VII. Communications
   A. Press coverage
   B. MLA Weekly Newsletter, October 20, 2016
   C. MLA Weekly Newsletter, October 27, 2016
   D. MLA Weekly Newsletter, November 3, 2016
   E. MLA Weekly Newsletter, November 10, 2016
VIII. Director’s Report
    A. Library news and activities
    B. Usage reports
    C. Advocacy news
IX. Old Business
   A. Harwood Michigan Cohort Project update
   B. Unique Management update
X. Standing Committee Reports
   A. Policy
   B. Finance - report from 11/14/2016 meeting
   C. Fund Development - report from 11/3/2016 meeting
   D. Board Development - Bert, MaryAnne
   E. Building – project update
   F. Human Resources
XI. Discussion Items
XII. Action Items
   A. Revised 2016 budget
   B. Local History Museum Display – for periodical room
XIII. Questions from the Public
XIV. Trustee Comments
XV. Adjournment
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1) Call to order at 6:35 p.m.

2) Approval of agenda. Motion to approve the agenda as presented by Abramczyk / Phillips. Motion passes.

3) Consent Agenda as presented: Motion to approve the consent agenda as presented by Pergeau / Abramczyk.
   a) Minutes from last meeting 9/15/16 Library Board meeting
   b) Bills


5) Call to the Public –
   None.

6) Communications
   a) Press coverage –
      i) 60 patrons participated in the Trek or Ride the Trail event hosted by the OTPL.
      ii) Not much movement on the Book Mobile GoFundMe page.

7) Director’s report
   a) Report on file
   b) Many great programs
   c) Adding Hi/Lo Books – High interest, low reading level.
   d) Auditors set fieldwork February 16th, 2017.
   e) Staff holiday party December 16th.

The Friends of the Library are holding a members only event on October 20th.
8) Old Business

a) Harwood Michigan Cohort Project Update – Held community meetings. Lightly attended, however very interesting. Marion Ginopolis, superintendent of LOCS, attended the most recent meeting.

b) Unique Management update – Began with Unique Management after Labor Day. We get a monthly status report. In the month of September; $1,600 received, One-time fee with multiple contacts with each patron in an attempt to collect totaled $3,700. This was for 3 years worth of outstanding fines.

9) Standing Committee Report –

a) Policy Report –

   Meeting held on 10/17/16 at 7 p.m.
   “Claims return; claims never had”. Policy updated to address this potential situation.
   New labor rules effective December 2016. Policy updated to address the new labor rules.
   MelCat items checked out will now be subject to OTPL fines for the return of materials deemed to be late.

b) Finance –

   Set meeting for 2016 revised budget – 11/14/16 at 7:00 p.m.

c) Fund Development –

   Set meeting for 11/3/16 at 5:00 p.m. to discuss vendor donation letter.

d) Board Development –

   None.

e) Building –

   Director updated Board on progress of Adult Services renovations.

f) Human Resources –

   None

g) Ad Hoc Committee Reports

   None.

h) Advocacy – None.

10) Discussion Items

   None

11) Action Items

   a) 2017 Calendar of Library Closings: Motion to accept the Calendar as presented by Quinn, supported by Phillips. No further discussion. Motion passes.

   b) Items from the Policy committee. Approve changes to policies as presented by the director. Approve change to current practice to charge fines per existing policy for overdue MelCAT items. Came from committee. Motion passes.

12) New meetings scheduled at the OTPL
a) Fund Development Committee, 11/3/16 at 5:00 p.m.

b) Finance Committee, 11/14/16 at 7:00 p.m.

13) Questions from the Public – None

14) Trustee comments

15) Adjournment at 8:30 p.m.

Mike Luna
Secretary, Board of Trustees
Orion Township Public Library
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Orion Township Public Library  
For the Ten Months Ending October 31, 2016

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### ORION TOWNSHIP LIBRARY - TREASURER'S REPORT - PLANT FUND ACTIVITY
### OCTOBER 2016

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2. Credit Union Savings
3. CD maturing 2/19/18 @ 1.125% interest
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5. Gov't Agency Bond maturing 8/24/18 @1.200% interest, called 8/24/16
6. Gov't Agency Bond maturing 5/25/18 step up @ .75% for 1 year, called 2/25/16
7. Money Market Account, CD
8. Change in value until the investment reaches maturity
9. CD maturing 9/5/17 @ .80% interest
10. CD maturing 9/14/2018 @ 1.150% interest
11. CD maturing 9/7/2018 @ .90% interest
### ORION TOWNSHIP LIBRARY - TREASURER’S REPORT - GENERAL FUND ACTIVITY

**OCTOBER 2016**

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(1) Business Checking  
(2) Business Savings Sweep  
(3) Cafeteria  
(4) Business Checking - Donation Account  
(5) Business Checking - Donation Account  
(6) High Yield Money Market .60% interest  
(7) Credit Union Savings  
(8) Credit Union Money Market .25% interest  
(9) Credit Union Savings  
(10) Credit Union Savings  
(11) Credit Union MM 1.25% interest  
(12) CD maturing 1/25/18 interest increases from .750% to 1.300%  
(13) Money Market, Treasury Bills, CD's  
* Change in value until the investment reaches maturity

(14) Money Market, CD  
* Change in value until the investment reaches maturity
Drop in at the Orion Township Public Library if you dare for the annual kid-friendly Haunted House put on by teen volunteers. The Haunted House will be open Monday, October 24 through Thursday, October 27 from 6:00p to 8:00p for all ages.
Halloween Stories & Parade at the OTPL

Bring your little one to parade around the Orion Library!

By Becky Bolin (Star Patcher) - October 28, 2016 11:11 am ET

Children of all ages are welcome to come in costume to the Orion Library on **Monday, October 31 at 10:00a** for stories followed by a march through the library in a Halloween parade!
As a core community service provider in the Orion community, the Orion Township Public Library plays a role in bringing the community together and making it better. In November, the library will be hosting two Community Conversations.

**Thursday, November 3, 6:30p-8:00p, CERC Building, Rm 111, 455 E. Scripps Road, Lake Orion**

**Wednesday, November 16, 6:30p-8:00p, Orion Public Library, 825 Joslyn Road, Lake Orion**

The library is hosting these events as an impartial observer for the community’s benefit and does not have a specific agenda or desired outcome. Each one is a chance for the library to better understand people’s aspirations for the community, the concerns they have and what they believe might make a difference in strengthening the community.

**Please RSVP to Joyce Becker at 248 693-3000 x302 or jbecker@orionlibrary.org.**
International Games Day @ your library

It's time to celebrate International Games Day at the Orion Library again!

By Becky Bolin (Star Patcher) - November 7, 2016 8:46 am ET

Join thousands of people around the world and play some awesome games at the Orion Library on Saturday, November 19 from 11:00a to 4:00p. All ages are welcome to drop in and have a blast playing games. There will be board games, card games, and more for all ages and skills, so be sure to bring the whole family!
More than 20 authors and illustrators from the Metro Detroit area will be at the Orion Township Public Library to share their works on **Saturday, December 3 from 1:00p to 4:00p**. Books for readers of all ages will be available for signing and purchase. This is the perfect opportunity to find holiday gifts!

There will be hot chocolate, cookies and some of your favorite authors like Bryan Chick, Ruth McNally Barshaw, Johnathan Rand and more! Drop in anytime between 1:00p and 4:00p.

In conjunction with The Giving Season: Author and Illustrator Fair, the Orion Library will be collecting books for the Good Steward Global Initiative which helps alleviate the book famine that prevents children and adults in many developing countries from learning to read. Good Steward is an all-volunteer program (501c3) that gathers donated books, uses volunteers to sort them and then ships these books to Africa to build libraries. Good Steward also provides instruction and on-going training for the care and development of these libraries which are maintained by the local communities in which they are a source of great pride. For more information visit [http://www.goodstewardglobal.org/](http://www.goodstewardglobal.org/).

For more information about the Local Author Fair please contact Kate Kloor at 248-693-3000 x308 or Lisa Branon at 248-693-3000 x340 or visit the Orion Township Public Library at 825 Joslyn Road, Lake Orion, MI 48362 or orionlibrary.org. The library is open 9:30a-9:00p Monday through Thursday and 9:30a-5:00p Friday and Saturday.

*This post is contributed by a community member. The views expressed in this post are the author's. Registered users are welcome to post on Patch.*
Orion Township
Public Library earns
2016 Citation of Excellence Award

The Orion Township Public Library (OTPL) has earned the 2016 Citation of Excellence Award from the Library of Michigan Foundation and Library of Michigan for its superior customer service.

“We are delighted with this incredible honor,” said Karen Knox, director of the Orion Township Public Library. “We strive to provide superior service with a goal to engage a thriving community of lifelong learners. We have successfully positioned ourselves as a community gathering and learning place where children, teens, entrepreneurs, educators and seniors are all welcome.”

State Librarian Randy Riley will present the $1,000 award to Knox on Oct. 28 at the Michigan Library Association’s annual conference in Lansing.

The Library of Michigan Foundation and Library of Michigan (LM) present the State Librarian’s Excellence and Citations of Excellence awards each year to highlight the importance of services provided by Michigan’s libraries. This year’s State Librarian’s Excellence Award went to the Benzie Public Library (BPL) and the second Citation of Excellence Award went to the Troy Public Library (TPL).

The OTPL is living its current Strategic Plan, which took effect in 2014 and highlights four strategic focus areas: Redesign Physical Spaces, Update Collections, Enhance Customer Service, and Expand and Improve Marketing. The Youth Department and lobby were renovated last year and renovations for the Adult Services department are beginning this month.

The State Librarian’s Excellence Award is sponsored by Roger Mendel and his late wife June. The Citation of Excellence Awards are funded by Martin L. Gibbs in memory of his late wife, Carole Sorenson, and the Library of Michigan Foundation in recognition of former Executive Director Carolyn “Sparky” Mowery.

For more information, visit the Orion Township Public Library, 825 Joslyn Road, Lake Orion; visit www.orionlibrary.org; or call 248-693-3000.

Community LS 10/24/16
When You're in Orion Oxford/Oakland County

The Orion Oxford Area is just a hop, skip or jump away from the many attractions of Metro Detroit. Be it the performing arts, a museum or fun activity, there's always something to do or somewhere to go. ENJOY!

Avon Players
1165 Washington, Rochester Hills 48306
(248) 608-9077 www.avonplayers.org
Community theatre September - May. Youth theatre in the summer. Call or log on for performance and ticket information.

Clarkston Village Players
4861 White Lake Road, Clarkston 48346
(248) 625-8811 www.clarkstonvillageplayers.org
Community theatre runs year round. Includes summer youth theatre.

Cranbrook Educational Community
39221 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills 48304
www.cranbrook.edu
Cranbrook Art Museum - (248) 645-3323. This contemporary art museum built by Finnish architect Eliel Saarinen in 1942 houses permanent and changing exhibitions feature a state of the art Collectors Wing, as well as a store selling works by students, faculty, books, prints, giftware, etc.

Cranbrook House and Garden
(248) 645-3147 Designed by Albert Kahn in 1908 for the founders of Cranbrook (George and Ellen Booth), it is the oldest surviving manor home in Metro Detroit. The 40 acres of diverse gardens were originally designed by Mr. Booth. Open May thru October.

Cranbrook Institute of Science
(248) 645-3200. Explore science, technology and natural history through exhibits, hands-on activities and planetarium. For hours, ticket prices and other information you may need log on to science.cranbrook.edu

Saarinen House
Built in 1930, it is considered an Art Deco masterpiece. It was the home and studio of Eliel and Loja and their son Eero. Open May thru October for public walk-in and private tours. Call for exact dates and times. (Art Museum)

Smith House
Frank Lloyd Wright “Smith House” located in Bloomfield Hills, this classic Usonian home is open for tours from May through October. Call the Art Museum at 645-3323 for exact dates and times.

Chamber Music Society of Detroit
Office: (248) 737-9980
Tickets: (248) 855-6070
Performances at the Seigman Performing Arts Center at Detroit Country Day School in Beverly Hills. Known for its intimate concert experience and creative programming. CMS is a special treat for the musically inclined. For more concert, ticket and pre-concert talk information go to www.chambermusicedetroit.org

Dragon on the Lake
115 S. Anderson St., P.O. Box 674, Lake Orion 48361
(248) 693-4986 www.dragononthelake.com
Community festival celebrating art, legends and dragons. Is a fundraiser and gift back to the community by the Orion Arts Center. Street fair, dragon boat races, kids activities, arts and crafts, music, food and more. Fun for the entire family!

Detroit Zoo
Woodward Avenue at 10 Mile Road, Royal Oak
(248) 541-5717 www.detroitzoo.org
Open Daily – April-Labor Day, 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.; September-October, 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.; November-March, 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Admission charge. Featuring a Wild Adventure Simulator, the Arctic Ring of Life and National Amphibian Conservation Center.

DTE Energy Music Theatre
www.ticketmaster.com/venue/9655135, Sashabaw Road off I-75, Clarkston

Goodrich Oxford 7 Theater
46 S. Washington, Oxford
(248) 969-7462

Holocaust Memorial Center
28123 Orchard Lake Road, Farmington Hills
(248) 565-2400. www.holocaustcenter.org
8:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. and Sunday-Thursday, 9:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m. This is an opportunity to learn about the Holocaust and European Jewish communities. Jewish visitors can research their roots in the world’s largest collection of books and resources. There are lecture series, travel opportunities, teacher seminars and a speakers bureau. Numerous exhibits and gift shop.

Lake Orion’s American Summer
Lake Orion’s American Summer is a celebration of all that is Lake Orion and American. It starts with the Lake Orion Lions Club Jubilee that occurs towards the end of June and continues through to the Lake Orion Fireworks Association’s show in early July. In between both of these iconic community events, there will have boat cruises, beer tents, pub-crawls, flair nights, contests, car shows, running events, concerts, a restaurant week and more! We numerous Lake Orion businesses and organizations are involved hosting events, volunteering for one or just attending. It’s everything Lake Orion, it’s everything American...it’s Lake Orion’s American Summer! Visit www.laconiansummer.com for more details and sponsorship opportunities.
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.orion township.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
Click on “links” than “Environment.” Provides links to a number of information sites to help residents participate in protecting the environment and natural resources.

Oxford Township www.oxford township.net
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
Home page has “NO HAZ” and “Water Quality” tabs. Garbage, curbside recycling and yard waste collection information is online.

North Oakland Household Hazardous Waste Consortium (NOHAZ)
(248) 858-5656
www.oakgov.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 Oxford 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

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

Michigan State University Extension Office
1200 N. Telegraph Rd., Dept. 418,
Pontiac, 48341
(248) 858-0880 www.oakgov.com/msu

Michigan Recycling Coalition
(517) 974-3672 www.michiganrecycles.org
Provides helpful information, links and guides.

Moose Tree Nature Preserve
Through the Lake Orion Community Schools
3191 West Clarkston Rd., Lake Orion 48362
(248) 391-3059

North Oakland Headwaters Land Conservancy
P.O. Box 285, Clarkston, 48347
(248) 795-2808 www.nohlc.org

Paint Creek Trail
Mailing: 4393 Collins Rd., Rochester 48306
(248) 851-9260 www.paintcreektail.org

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

Six Rivers Land Conservancy
4480 Orion Rd., Rochester 48306
(248) 601-2916 www.sixriverls.org

Upland Hills Ecological Awareness Center
2575 Indian Lake Rd., Oxford 48370
(248) 693-2878 www.uhaac.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.rhpl.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

Oxford Public Library
530 Pontiac Road, Oxford 48371
(248) 628-3034 www miopl.org

Mailing Services

Post Office Locations: (800) ASK-USPS (275-8777) www.usps.com
- 511 N Axford St., Lake Orion 48362 (248) 693-3253
- 52 E. Burdick St., Oxford 48371 (248) 628-3943

Federal Express (Fed Ex) (800) 463-3339 www.fedex.com
Shipping Centers
- PAK MAIL
  3079 S. Baldwin Rd, Lake Orion 48359 (248) 393-3277

United Parcel Service (UPS) Toll Free (800) PICK-UPS (742-5877)
www.ups.com
UPS Store: 540 N. Lapeer Rd., Orion 48362 (248) 814-7781
PAK MAIL
- 3079 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
Orion Oxford Lifestyle Magazine 2016 Community Guide Issue
Orion Library Receives Friends of the Library Donation

The Friends of the Orion Township Library recently presented a check for $20,000 to the Orion Township Public Library. This donation was made possible due to the extensive fundraising efforts of the Friends this year, including two used book sales and the Passport to Spring Gala event. The Friends of the Orion Township Library is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization whose volunteer members are dedicated to supporting and improving the library by raising funds for services, programs, projects, and resources not provided for by the general library budget. The Friends are always looking for new members and volunteers.

Anyone interested in learning more about the Friends of the Orion Township Library, can visit their website at orionlibrary.org/friends, stop by the library at 825 Joslyn Road, or call the OTL at 248-639-3000.

October Blood Drive

Michigan Blood and the Orion Center are partnering to organize a blood drive on October 17 from 2-7 p.m. Any healthy person over 17 who weighs at least 110 pounds may be eligible to donate. Registration is required and can be done at miblood.org. The Orion Center is at 1335 Joslyn Road.

Oktoberfest event for seniors

The Orion Center will be hosting an Oktoberfest event October 19 from 12-1:30 p.m. for anyone over the age of 50. Attendees will be celebrating the best of the German and Bavarian cultures with music, great foods.

Pre-registration is required with a fee of $6. The Orion Center is located at 1335 Joslyn Road.

Orion Center to hold Scrapbooking Crop

The Orion Center will be holding its 2nd Annual 12-hour Scrapbooking Crop on Oct. 22, 9 a.m.-9 p.m. Registration includes continental breakfast, lunch, and Mediterranean cuisine for dinner. There are drinks and snacks throughout the day while scrapbooking on the large six-feet workspaces. Scarping Paws will be providing door prizes throughout the day to participants over 18.

Registration is $45 and sign-up is through the Orion Center or online at ortontownship.org. The Orion Center is located at 1335 Joslyn Road.
Donate blood. 2-8pm Wednesday Oct. 19, Paint Creek Elementary, 2800 Indianwood Rd. 12:45-6:45pm Wednesday Nov. 2, American Legion Post 108, 130 E. Drahner, Oxford. Schedule an appt. at redcrossblood.org or call 1-800-733-2767. Walk-ins welcome.

Community Conversation Wednesday, Oct. 19, 6:30-8pm. Orion Library, 825 Joslyn Road. Everyone invited. All views, opinions, ideas and thoughts are welcome—and your input is essential. Refreshments.

North Oakland Genealogical Society meets Thursday, Oct. 20, 7pm in James Ingram Room of Orion Library, 825 Joslyn Rd. Come and share your recent genealogical research. Help will be available to people starting out on their genealogical searches. Visitors are welcome.

Dinner Dance Friday, Oct. 28, 6-9pm, Orion Center, 1335 Joslyn Rd. Featuring George Sinnott's Night Lights Jazz combo. Good food and good fun. $20/person; $35/couple; $10 ages 5-12. Proceeds support senior luncheons, trips like Christmas light tours, activities, and equipment like picnic tables. Register for tickets by Oct. 21 at Orion Center or from Friends of the Orion Center Seniors. More info at 248-693-7073 or valjima@sbcglobal.net.


Grab your friends and get ready to get crafty! 12-hr scrapbooking crop Saturday, Oct. 22, 9am-9pm. Orion Center, 1335 Joslyn Rd. $45/person incl. 6ft. table space, breakfast, lunch, dinner, snacks, drinks. Reserve space at jvsezina@oriontownship.org, 248-721-1647 or scrappingpaws.com. Supports Orion Twp. Parks & Rec; Scrapping Paws.

Programs at Orion Library: Register at orionlibrary.org/calendar. 248-693-3000 or 825 Joslyn Rd, LO.

- Minecrafts Saturday, Oct. 22, 10am. Ages 6&up. Do you love Minecraft? Drop in and create cool crafts inspired by everyone's favorite video game.

- Haunted House Monday, Oct. 24-Thursday, Oct. 27, 6-8pm. Drop in if you dare for the library’s annual kid-friendly haunted house put on by teen volunteers. All ages welcome.

- Royalty Day Wednesday, Oct. 26, 10am. Ages 2-5, drop in. Do you have a little prince or princess? Listen to a story and make a crown and royal wand.

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Every Wednesday
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Also Sunday from 10am - 2pm
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The Lake Orton

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A calendar of places to go, people to see and things to do

...and you're invited to the most spectacular fall foliage show. Admission: $5/person, 2yr and under free. Pumpkins, cider and donuts available.
248-628-1611

Clinton Valley Trout Unlimited meeting 7pm Tuesday, Nov. 1, Camp Ticonderoga Restaurant, 5725 Rochester Rd., Troy. Kelly Neuman, a renowned steelhead guide, discusses his quest for eastside steelhead and some of the biggest brown trout in Northern Michigan. Open to the public.
248-533-6921; www.clintonvalleytu.com

Outdoor Market Wednesdays 2pm-dusk; Saturdays 8am-2pm. Located on front lawn of Unity of Lake Orion, 3070 S. Baldwin Road, near Waldon. Visit for produce, flowers, crafts, jewelry, new ventures accepted. 248-391-9211.

Live from the Living Room-acoustic showcase playing Fridays at 8pm at Unity of Lake Orion, 3070 S. Baldwin Rd. near Waldon. Tickets: $10ea. Featuring different artists each week playing roots, folk, jazz, blues, more.
Join Whitlow Friends, a peer support group every Tuesday 1-2pm Collier Bowl, 879 S. Lapeer Rd. Musicians: $6-$10 door prizes (shoes extra $2.50). Optional lunch afterwards. Call Joe at 248-693-2454 or 248-475-9036.
General Federation of Women's Clubs-Lake Orion meets Thursday, Nov. 10, 11:30am. Orion Library, 825 Joslyn Rd. Open to all ages. Join a group that unites women in service projects that enhance lives of others as well as improving our community.
NOCC-Families Against Narcotics meet 2nd Thursday of every month, Nov. 10, 6:30-8pm, topic: "the masks we wear". Woodside Bible Church (inside Camberly Village), 2300 Joslyn Rd. 6:30-8:30am. All are welcome.
Orion Historical Society meets Monday, Nov. 14, 7pm. Orion Library, 825 Joslyn Rd. The OHS is dedicated to increasing awareness of our community's unique architectural and historical resources. Always looking for new members with new ideas.
Bingo Night of Columbus Hall, 1400 Orion Rd, L.O. Tuesdays 11am; Thursdays 6:30pm. Classic Car Cruise Tuesdays, 4-8pm. Culver's, corner of M-24/Dutton Rd. D.J. Dicky D will play your favorite 50's & 60's hits, 50/50 drawing. Crosby of the week gets $25 Culver's Gift Card, 15% off for all Cruisers. Loads of fun & lots of prizes.
NTY program guides for government, education, sports, public programming can be viewed at oronton.org
Free Bingo Tuesdays 4:30-6:30pm, Culvers, M-24/Dutton. A chance to win a $100 Culver's gift certificate, trivia, lots of car cruise prizes, & win the Culver's Cruise wheel for Butter Bucks. Fun for the whole family. 248-276-2222.
Kids night Wednesday 4-9pm at Culver's, corner of M-24/Dutton Rd. "Spooky" theme. Kids Meal $2.99 Kids meals, free custard, clown & balloons, face painting, craft table, prizes, & a hula hoop contest.
Orion Oxford Optimist Club meets Thursdays, 7:30am at Times Square Restaurant (M-24 next to Kroger). If you believe in the youth in our town and that they can really make a difference and are free Thursday morning, get together with a positive group of people.
AA Meetings: Every Tuesday, 12:00 Noon at Fellowship UMC, 550 E. Scripps Rd. Featuring NOCB member Lucas Roll, bass trombone soloist; Mars from Howl's "The Planets" and "Angels in the Architecture" by Tichielli. Music and Motion parent/child interactive music and play-based learning, ages 1-3. Learn through rhythms, finger plays, songs, rhymes and stories. Tuesdays thru Nov. 8, 10-10:45 am. LO Church of Christ, 1080 Hemingway Rd. Free. Call 248-693-7242 to register.


Girlfriends $5-$9pm Wednesday, Oct. 26- downtown Oxford starting at Centennial Park. Supports Love INC. Volunteers will accept donations of new or gently used hats and gloves, or brand-new underwear and socks, for men, women and children at Centennial Park and they will give shoppers a VIP discount card to use at participating Girlfriends' Walk businesses. The park will feature a DJ, free photo booth, and limos to visit participating businesses up and down Washington St. Complimentary bites and drinks. Shops will have specials, raffles and giveaways.

Upcoming School Board Meetings. Interested in what's happening in the Lake Orion School District? Board meetings typically held at 7pm on the 2nd & 4th Wednesday of the month at the Administration Building, 315 N. Lapeer St, downtown L.O. October meetings are: Oct. 12, 25.
12 hour scrapbooking Saturday, Oct. 29, 9am-9pm, K of C Hall, 1400 Orion Rd. $45 incl. continental breakfast, lunch, dinner, snacks and beverages. Raffles and door prizes. Benefit the LO Lions Club charities. Call 248-342-0133 or 248-291-91.36.

FREE Eye Exams for veterans and their families Saturday, Oct. 29, 9am-5pm, American Legion Post #118, 130 E. Drahner, Oxford. Call 248-628-9081 or visit the American Legion and make an appointment for you and family. Free women's self defense class Saturday, Oct. 29, 9am-1pm, Shepherd's Afton Hall with Ms. Peggy Austin. Call 248-525-2222. Email pao@oakgov.com to register. Spooky "Boo"tastic Fun 1-2:30pm Saturday, Oct. 29, Wint Nature Center at Independence Oaks, 9501 Sashabaw Rd, Clarkston, $5/person. Make a craft, learn halloween lore. Wear your costume to get into the spirit. Call 248-858-0916 to register.

Trunk or Treat Saturday, Oct. 29, 5-7:30pm at LO United Methodist Church, 1400 E. Flint St, Fun for all ages. Children can dress in costume and trick or treat from car trunk to car trunk in church parking lot. Register at locume@lakeo通知ѕm.org.

Trick or Treat Saturday, Oct. 29, dress in costume to trick-or-treat from Children's Friendship Park at the Red Oaks Nature Center, 30300 Hales Rd, Madison Heights. Meet costumed characters along the trail. Bring a camera or phone for photo opportunities. Hot chocolate will be available. $5/child. Registration at 248-858-0916.

Fall Harvest Festival, Saturdays & Sundays in October from 10am-5pm, Upper Hills Farm, 461 Lake George Rd, Oxford. Visitors will be up close with cows, pigs, goats, sheep, chickens, ducks, horses, mini-donkeys, mini-Mule, a cow, enjoy a hayride, farm show and a magic show. Admission: $5/person, 2yr and under free. Pumpkins, cider and donuts available. 248-628-1611.
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Tuesdays • 4:30-6:30 pm October thru April

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• Culver's Classic Car Cruise Card Contest (chance to win $100 Cash every Tuesday night)
• Spin the Culver's wheel for a FREE $5 Culver's Coupon

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Dish, Cone or Custard Only $1.00 (4:30-6:30pm Tues.)

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KIDS' NIGHT

Kids Meal $2.99
Every Wednesday from 4 - 9pm
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~Canterbury Village~

Saturday October 29th

KID'S HALLOWEEN

4pm: Trick or treating in the Village
5pm: Magic Show at the Pub!

A Diaper Change Murder Mystery
Friday Nov. 18th
Visitors Hall on Old Shoreline Rd.
Sunday Nov. 20th

does open at 5:30pm • Buffet dinner at 6:00pm
Show starts at 7:00 pm

$25 per person • Cash Bar

A Holiday Evening with HVIS

Wed. Nov. 30th & Thurs. Dec. 19th

For Reservations & Info

Call 248.391.1900
Canterburyvillage.com

~Spooky Bootastic Oco~

Saturday, Oct. 29, 9am-1 pm.

Free women's self defense class Saturday, Oct. 29, 9am-1pm. sheriff's auburn hills complex, 1690 brown rd, aub. hills. Email occe@oakgov.com to register.

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Trick or Treat the Village Saturday, Oct. 29, 4pm. Shops in Canterbury Village, 2359 jadyn cl. at 5pm, see a magic show at the C-Pub. Trunk or Treat Saturday, Oct. 29, 5-7:30pm at LO United Methodist Church, 140 E. Flint St. Children in costume can trick or treat from trunk to trunk in church parking lot. Register at loe1@lakeregionrecreation.org. Trick or Trees 5-8pm Saturday, Oct. 29, dress in costume to trick-or-treat through friendship Woods at red oak's nature center, 30200 Halls St, Madison Hts. Meet costumed characters along trail. Bring a camera for photo opportunities. Hot chocolate will be available. 55¢/cup. Register at 248-858-0916.


Fall Harvest Festival, Saturdays & Sundays as October from 10am-5pm, Upland Hills Farm, 41 lake george Rd. Oxford. Visitors will be up close with cows, pigs, goats, sheep, chickens, ducks, horses, mini-donkeys, nisses. Milk a cow, enjoy a hayride, farm show and a magic show. Admission: $9/person, 2 years and under free. Pumpkins, cider and donuts available. 248-628-1611.

Programs at Orion Library: Register at caneronlinelibrary.org/calendar, 248-693-3000 or 825 jadyn Rd. LO.

Halloween Stories and Parade Monday, Oct. 31, 10am. Wear your costume, hear stories, then make your way to the library to participate in a Halloween parade. All ages welcome.

Treats for Troops accepting Halloween candy Nov. 1-4 at Orion Substation, 2325 Jadyn Rd.; Orion Substation, 310 Dunlap Rd. Candy must be individually wrapped (not chocolate), Parents & children can include notes of thanks and encouragement to the troops. Music and Medium presents interactive music and play-based learning, ages 1-3. Learn through rhythm, finger plays, songs, rhymes and stories. Tuesdays and Thursdays Nov. 8, 15; 10:15-11:45 a.m. LO Church of Christ, 1680 Hemingway Rd. Free. Call 248-693-7242 to register.
Around Town

A calendar of places to go, people to see and things to do

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Oakland Youth Orchestras Fall Concert

What is unique at the Allen County Public Library that I cannot find anywhere else?

Josslyn Rd, L.O.
-Time for a Declutter Saturday, Nov. 5, 2pm.
This presentation is the first step to helping you establish the organized lifestyle you would like for yourself. Pre-register: Youth Advisory Group (TAG) Tuesday, Nov. 8, 7pm. Get volunteer hours and advise the Teen Librarian on what is popular and current with teens. Participants who attend 6/10 meetings throughout the year will have the opportunity to apply for a $500 library scholarship that will go towards a college fund.

Free dinner for veterans and their families 3pm Saturday, Nov. 5, Oxford Free Methodist Church, 790 S. Lapeer Rd. RSVP to OxfordMC.org or 586-291-1490.

Holiday Silent Basket Auction Monday, Nov. 7- Friday, Dec. 2, Orion Library, 825 Josslyn Rd. Holiday baskets are each themed around and include a book. Get a start on your holiday shopping. Bidding ends at 4:30pm Friday, Dec. 2; winning bidders will be notified the next day. All funds raised will help support library programming.

Music and Motion parent/child interactive music and play-based learning, ages 1-5. Learn through rhythms, finger plays, songs, rhymes and stories. Tuesday, Nov. 8, 10-11am. LO Church of Christ, 1080 Hemingway Rd. Free. Call 248-693-7242 to register.

Bake Sale. 1-7pm Tuesday, Nov. 8, Divine Grace School, 3000 Lapeer Rd, L.O. Schedule an appointment at redcrossblood.org or call 1-800-773-2767. Walk ins welcome.

John Widow Friends, a peer support group every Tuesday 12pm Collier Bowl, 819 S. Lapeer Rd (M42). Cost: $6.50/paints (shoes extra $2.50). Optional lunch afterwards. Call for reservations at 248-693-2454 or 248-475-9036.


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Bench Racing Bingo - 6 games a night (win FREE Dessert)
Spin the Culver’s wheel for a FREE $5,$10 OR $100 Cash every Tuesday night)

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**Dinner with a Doc: Diabetes on Wednesday, Nov. 9, 6:30-8pm, Crittenton Hospital Auditorium, 1101 W. University Dr., Rochester. Register at crittenton.com/classes or call 248-652-5269. Learn about causes, symptoms, prevention, risk factors and management. Light strolling dinner served in Crittenton lobby 6:30pm, register by Nov. 3 for dinner. Lecture at 7pm. Free. Handling the Holiday After a Loss Wednesday, Nov. 9, 7-9pm. An event designed to explore techniques to help enter into the holidays while grieving. St. Joseph Mercy Oakland Hospital-Canton. For information, call 440-450 Woodward Ave, Pontiac. To register, call 1-800-833-1135.**

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**Dog adoption day held every second Saturday of every month 11am-3pm at Pet Stuff/ Harvest Tint, 1125 S. Lapeer Rd, Oxford. Loving dogs of all shapes and sizes looking to find a forever home. Check www.dogssaver.org/#/store for photos of available dogs.**

**Vision Screenings Saturday, Nov. 12, 10am-noon, Orion Library, 825 Joslyn Rd. The LCO Lions Club is partnering with the Library to offer free screenings for children over 5mos. Kathy Sandstrom Memorial Turkey Dinner Saturday, Nov. 12, 4:30-7pm. Howarth UMC, 550 E. Silverbell, L.O. Suggested donation: $12. 248-373-3260.**

**Wine and cheese concert benefiting the North Oakland Concert Band Saturday, Nov. 12, 6:15pm, Christ the Redeemer Church, 2790 Waldon Rd., L.O. Featuring traditional swing and jazz music performed in a casual cabaret setting. Admission is free, but donations will be gratefully accepted. Info: www.noch.org**

**Rockin' it up for Love! Saturday, Nov. 12, 6:30-10pm. King of Kings Church, 1715 S. Lapeer Rd., L.O. Classic rock & contemporary praise music. Free admission & appetizers. Wine, beer & soft drinks available for purchase. Silent auction. Free will donations benefit Love INC & King of Kings Community Service Team. Orion Historical Society meets Monday, Nov. 14, 7pm. Orion Library, 825 Joslyn Rd. The OHS is dedicated to increasing awareness of our community's unique architectural and historical resources. Always looking for new members with new ideas.**

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**Boom Town: Detroit in the Roaring '20s presented by Detroit Historical Society Monday, Nov. 14, 7pm at Oxford Public Library, 825 Joslyn Rd. From the dust and smoke of the nineteenth century, Detroit burst into the national spotlight in the early twentieth century. The automobile business was at full throttle, resulting in a city that grew faster than any other on the continent. National Prohibition created a demand for alcohol that our Canadian neighbors gladly addressed. Rumrunning became the region's second largest industry. Conventions loved Detroit, and to aid organized crime. Boom town meets the Wild West. 248-628-3034; www.michd.org. North Oakland Genealogical Society meets Thursday, Nov. 17, 7pm in James Ingram Room of Orion Library, 825 Joslyn Rd. Come and share your recent genealogical research. Help will be available to people starting out on their genealogical searches. Visitors are welcome.**

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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**Notice to Users of Lake Orion**

Notice is hereby given that beginning the week of October 24, 2016, the level of Lake Orion will be lowered about one (1) foot to reach the normal low water mark for winter. Lowering will not flood Point Creek and the lowering will be completed by the first Friday in November (November 4, 2016). This notice is being given as a courtesy to residents to allow for safe removal of all watercraft from Lake Orion.

NOTE: This is NOT to be confused with the "drawdown" that takes place every five (5) years for dock and seawall repairs, which should occur in the fall of 2017.

Susan C. Galecki, CMC, Village Clerk.

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Community Conversations
Thursday, November 3, 6:30p-8:00p @ the
CERC Bu, Rm 111 (455 E. Scripps Rd)
Wednesday, November 16, 6:30p-8:00p @ the
Orion Library
As a core community service provider in the
Orion community, the Orion Library plays a
role in bringing the community together and making
it better. Please RSVP to Joyce at 248.693.3000
x302 or jbecker@orionlibrary.org.

Cricut Makerspace
Saturday, November 5 @ 10:00a
Adults and teens will learn:
how to use the
Cricut machine to
create the perfect customized
pillow for holiday
gift giving.
All materials provided, but feel free to bring
your own fabric for a personalized touch.
Registration required.

Time for a Declutter
Saturday, November 5 @ 2:00p
This workshop will help you
establish the organized lifestyle you would like for
yourself. Registration required.

Friends Holiday Silent Basket Auction
Monday, November 7 - Friday, December 2
The holiday auction baskets are themed around,
and include a book. Baskets make a wonderful
gift, so come check them out and get a start on
your holiday shopping!

Battle of the Books Kickoff
Wednesday, November 9 @ 5:30p or 7:00p
(Save the Date - Battle Coaches Meeting
Monday, December 12 @ 7:00p)
Get a team of three, four, or five 5th graders
together with a coach, read the titles chosen by
the librarians, and compete in the Battle in March
2017. For 5th graders, parents & coaches forming
Battle teams, drop in

Connect It
Saturday, November 12 @ 2:00p
Create, investigate, and
experiment with us at our maker workshop! This
is a great time to get some hands-on experience
with fun technology, computer apps, and crafting.
Grades 2-5, drop in, limit 25

Orion Historical Society (OHS)
Monday, November 14 @ 7:00p
The OHS is dedicated to increasing awareness
of our community's unique architectural and
historical resources. New members welcome!

Early Explorers
Wednesday, November 16 @ 10:00a
Listen to a story time and
explore with sensory bins and fine motor
activities. Ages 2-5, drop in, limit 20

Affordable Healthcare Marketplace (AHC) Workshops
The deadline for using the Healthcare.gov Marketplace to enroll in health insurance for 2017 is January 31st.
AHC trained navigator Dr. Shelail Khan will present information
about using the Marketplace to enroll in health insurance. A Q&A session will follow.
Additional sessions: Monday, December 5 @ 6:30p,
Wednesday, January 4 @ 6:30p,
Wednesday, January 11 @ 2:00p

International Games Day
Saturday, November 19, 11:00a-4:00p
Join thousands of people around the world and
play some awesome games! There will be board
games, card games, and more for all ages and
skills, so bring the whole family!

Thanksgiving Holiday Hours
Wednesday, November 23 - Close at 5:00p
Thursday, November 24 - Closed
Friday, November 25 - Closed
Saturday, November 26 - Open 9:30a-5:00p

Pardon our dust!
If you visit the library in the next
couple months, you will see that
we have started
the
renovation
of our Adult Services
space. Similar
to our
renovation of the Lobby and Youth
Services
spaces a couple years ago, this renovation will
involve removing wallpaper and painting,
adding some electrical, replacing the carpeting.
and installing new furniture. The space will be
under construction, but we will do our best to
help access materials during this time. We ask
for patience and flexibility as we undergo this
project. We look forward to providing you with
an updated space in 2017!
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Briefs

Northern Flooring hosts ‘Design’ fundraiser
Northern Flooring & Interiors will be hosting the Design for a Difference Detroit Dutton Farm Fundraiser on Nov. 10.

Design for a Difference has a commitment to makeover Dutton Farm, a Rochester-based nonprofit that provides services for persons with mental, physical and emotional impairments.

There will be local food, drinks, silent auctions and entertainment from local band, SQ3. The benefit will be held at Northern Flooring & Interiors on Nov. 10, 5:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m., at 616 S. Lapeer Rd. -GT.

LOHS Announces Fall Play
The Lake Orion Thespian Troupe 2898 has announced that they will be performing The Man Who Came To Dinner for their fall production. A comedy, The Man Who Came To Dinner, is based around the slap and fall accident of a man who is the epitome of mischievous; The Thespian Troupe will be performing at the Lake Orion High School Performing Arts Center Nov. 17-19 at 7:00 p.m. and Nov. 20 at 2:00 p.m. Tickets can now be reserved through email at LOboxoffice@lok12.org. -GT.

Orion Library Earns Excellence Award

The Orion Township Public Library (OTPL) has earned the 2016 Citation of Excellence Award from the Library of Michigan Foundation and Library of Michigan for their outstanding service to area residents.

State Librarian Randy Riley presented the $1000 award to OTPL Director Karen Knox on Oct. 28 at the Michigan Library Association’s annual conference in Lansing.

“We are delighted with this incredible honor,” said Knox.

OTPL strives to provide excellent customer service and has positioned itself as a learning place for children, teens, adults, seniors and entrepreneurs alike. OTPL is located at 825 Joslyn Rd. -GT.

New Anytime Fitness in LO

A new facility of Anytime Fitness has opened at 3603 S. Baldwin Rd.

The facility will include state of the art equipment for every fitness level as well as virtual training, aquatic massage, full body

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Veterans Day dedication service this Friday at the Orion Center

The public is invited to the 2016 Veterans Day Ceremony at 7:30 p.m. Nov. 11 at the Orion Center, 1335 Joslyn Rd.

The North Oakland County VFW Post 334 will host the entirety of the ceremony, with the main address presented by Post Commander Jim Hubbard.

The ceremony includes song selections from the Lake Orion High School Choral and patriotic selections from the North Oakland Patriotic Band.

“Veterans’ Day is a very important patriotic day that represents the respect we should have for all veterans because they have defended our liberties and freedoms from 1776 until the present,” said Dr. Joe Mastromatteo, chairman of the Orion Veteran’s Memorial Committee.

Donations are still being accepted for the Orion Veterans Memorial to help pay monthly utility bills and for replacement of flags.

Engraved bricks are also available to honor a veteran, family or company, with the brick sales income going toward special memorial

The memorial features a Navy peacoat draped over a lone chair, a sailor’s cap and American flag resting on the seat.

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Michigan Detachment Commander Carvin "Huey" Chapman presented Abbott with the plaque.

“Anyone who helps a veteran, in my opinion, deserves a plaque and recognition,” Chapman said. “A veteran won’t go without anything if I’m around. I’ll go anywhere to help a veteran out, and he’s done a lot to help veterans.”

For Abbott, doing what she can to help military veterans is just part of what she does; certainly nothing for which she sought recognition.

“They’ve done so much for us and it’s just a small part where I can give back and help out,” Abbott said. “I just enjoy supporting them.”

Dr. Abbott’s efforts include:

- Providing "goodie boxes" to deployed military members through Desert Angels.
- Filling backpacks for homeless veterans through Ray of Hope.
- Collecting coats and warm clothes for veterans.
- Her strong commitment and dedication to our military members has been much appreciated," Doyle said.

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Welcome to our new OACC staff members

We are pleased to introduce Carla Tousley and Jillian Nolan to the OACC team. Carla will serve as the Membership Services Coordinator, and Jillian as Administrative Assistant.

Carla has been a resident of Orion Township since 1999 and lives in the community with her husband and two children who attend Lake Orion schools.

Carla is a graduate of Grand Valley State University, Seidman School of Business. She most recently worked as a project manager in the financial services industry for 17 years.

She currently serves as Membership Chair and Passport to Spring event coordinator for the Friends of the Orion Township Library and also volunteers in the schools and with Delta Sigma Pi. In her spare time, she enjoys reading, traveling and scrapbooking.

Originally from Scotland, Jillian has lived in Michigan for the past 18 years and in Lake Orion since 2005. In a previous life, Jillian worked as a risk analyst in the insurance industry, primarily in London (UK) and also here in Michigan before leaving the (paid) workforce to raise her family.

While in Lake Orion, Jillian has been heavily involved in her kids' schools both as a parent volunteer and serving on school PTOS. She is also on the steering committee for local charity Blessings in a Backpack-Lake Orion and is treasurer for a local 5K charity run. Jillian is looking forward to joining the Chamber staff to help with the smooth running of the office, getting to know Chamber members and meeting new people within the community. Jillian lives on the border of Lake Orion/Oxford with her husband, Michael (an Irishman) and her two children who both attend Lake Orion High School. Jillian holds a MA (Hons) from the University of Aberdeen and was a fellow of the Chartered Insurance Institute (UK).

Welcome, new members!

NEW ELITE MEMBERS

- Anytime Fitness Lake Orion
  - 11430 N. Lake Orion Blvd.
  - 248-633-6560
  - www.anytimefitness.com

BASIC MEMBERS

- Community Lifestyle Newspapers
  - Dana Harris
  - 5060 N. Lake Orion Blvd.
  - 248-693-0300
  - www.communitylifestyles.com

Visit orionareaechamber.com for a complete list of our members.

Members making news

Orion Township Public Library earns 2016 Citation of Excellence Award

The Orion Township Public Library (OTPL) has earned the 2016 Citation of Excellence Award from the Library of Michigan Foundation and Library of Michigan for its superior customer service.

“"We are delighted with this incredible honor," said Orion Township Public Library Director Karen Knox. "We strive to provide superior service with a goal to engage a thriving community of lifelong learners. We have successfully positioned ourselves as a community gathering and learning place where children, teens, entrepreneurs, educators and seniors are all welcome.”

State Librarian Randy Riley will present the $1,000 award to Knox on October 28 at the Michigan Library Association’s annual conference in Lansing.
The Orion Township Public Library, 825 Joslyn Rd., will be updating the Adult Services area of the library.

Work crews will remove wallpaper, paint, replace carpeting, add electrical outlets and replace the furniture.

A 6-foot opening into the library will be added from the back of the storage area.

“We will do our best to provide access to library materials as much as possible during the renovation,” said Library Director Karen Knox in a news release. “We are excited about how things will be early next year when the project is complete.”

The library plans to remain open during the renovation, which is expected to be completed by February 2017.

The lobby and Youth Services areas of the library were previously renovated. The lobby was renovated in 2014 and the Youth Services area was renovated in 2015.
CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR LOCAL GEM - THE ORION TOWNSHIP PUBLIC LIBRARY!

OTPL has earned the 2016 Citation of Excellence Award from the Library of Michigan Foundation and Library of Michigan for its superior customer service. This award is presented annually to highlight the importance of services provided by Michigan's libraries.

For details on this award, and a listing of all the great services available at our awesome library, visit www.orionlibrary.org!

Lake Orion DDA
248-693-9742

The mission of the Lake Orion DDA is to enhance the economic potential and preserve the historical character of the Lake Orion DDA District, the heart and hub of the Orion Community, through promotional activities and an organizational structure that focuses on community involvement with local businesses, residents, and other stakeholders.
Week at a Glance

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Events & Fundraisers

**Annual Kid-Friendly Haunted House**
October 24 - 27, 6-8pm at the Orion Township Public Library. Teen volunteers interested in helping set-up or working a shift during the Haunted House can contact Lori McGeary at lmcgeary@orionlibrary.org. More information here.

**JAE Jewelers Gives Back**
We're donating 20 percent of all pink jewelry and infinity jewelry sales in October to a local charity that supports women and families impacted by Breast Cancer in Oakland County. Details here.

**Wildwood Film Festival**
Brought to you by ONTV, October 26th, 7pm at Oxford 7 Cinema. Cash prizes for the top three short films. More information here.

**Brain Life Center Open House and Ribbon-Cutting**
Thursday, October 27th from 4:30 - 7:30 pm. You and your family are invited to come join us and discover how we are helping thousands of people with sleep, focus, anxiety, stress, depressed moods and overall brain performance. Meet Chris Stevenson and Mike 'Mac' McIntyre of WMUZ 103.5 FM the Light. More information here.

**Tech 248 October MeetUp**
Time for a Declutter - do you ever feel that an organizing project is overwhelming? Well, help is here! Come to the Orion Library on Saturday, November 5 at 2:00p for a presentation which will help you establish the organized lifestyle you would like for yourself. Registration is required at orionlibrary.org/calendar.

Orion Township Public Library added 20 new photos to the album: Halloween Stories & Parade 2016.

The Orion Library staff and Leo the Lion are dressed for Halloween fun! Stop on by and pick out some spooky stories!

The parade was so fun! Thank you for hosting it!!

You're welcome! We're glad you had fun!

I love that "Leo The Lion" gets in on the Halloween Spirit. 😊👻

He was the first one to wear a costume this year, and he's always up for a photo op!
Orion Township Public Library  
October 29 at 3:21pm  ·

Have you seen our Youth Department aquarium lately? Thanks to generous donations from library patrons, we've added some great new decorative ornaments. Our new pirate friend has been a particular hit with young fans of adventure.

Orion Township Public Library  
October 28 at 11:13am  ·

Wear your costume and come to the Orion Library on Monday, October 31 for stories, then march through the library in the Halloween parade! All ages, drop in.

Orion Township Public Library  
Don't forget your trick-or-treat bag!

Like · Reply · October 28 at 7:53pm
Orion Township Public Library
October 24 at 1:16pm ·

Looking for something fun and spooky to do this weekend? We're having an adults-only Are You Afraid of the Dark program at Camp Agawam on Saturday at 7:00. Join us for creepy tales, a warm fire, and (of course) S'mores! Register online or by calling 248-693-3001.

Orion Township Public Library
October 24 at 12:41pm ·

Do you have a little prince or princess? Ages 2-5 can drop in at the Orion Library on Wednesday, October 26 at 10:00a to listen to a story and make a crown and royal wand.
Orion Township Public Library

October 20 at 1:15pm ·

Drop in at the Orion Library if you dare for the annual kid-friendly Haunted House put on by teen volunteers! Monday, October 24 through Thursday, October 27, 6:00p-8:00p. All ages welcome!

Orion Township Public Library

September 17 at 12:29pm ·

There is still time to sign up for the Community Conversation at the Orion Library this Wednesday, October 19 from 6:30p to 8:00p. The library is hosting this event as an impartial observer for the community’s benefit and does not have a specific agenda or desired outcome. It is a chance for the library to better understand people’s aspirations for the community, the concerns they have and what they believe might make a difference in strengthening the community.

Please RSVP to Joyce at 248 693-3000 x302 or jbecker@orionlibrary.org.
**Orion Township Public Library** added 4 new photos to the album: **Cardboard Build Day**.
October 15 at 2:30pm ·

We challenged kids to build anything they could dream up using cardboard, recycled material, and imagination.

8Judi Rudisill, Lisa Branon and 6 others
Comments

**Orion Township Public Library** added 2 new photos.
October 12 at 11:35am ·

Looking for something for the kids to do this Saturday? Bring kids in grades K-5 to the Orion Library for Youth Book Bingo at 10:00a and Cardboard Build Day at 2:00p.

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Gingerbread House Making (Teen Program) @ Orion Township Public Library

Saturday, December 17

Looking for something sweet and tasty to do for the holidays? Join your fellow teens for a delicious Gingerbread House decorating program and holiday themed movie! All ingredients and supplies will be provided.

Where: Orion Township Public Library, 825 Joslyn Rd., Lake Orion
When: 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM
Who: Teens
How: Registration is required, click HERE to reserve your spot.
Cost: Free
For more info: Call 248-693-3002 or visit them online here

Add to My Macaroni

Google Calendar  December 2016 Calendar

Family Safety

Holiday Cookie Exchange
Elf Workshop @ Orion Township Public Library

Saturday, December 10
Be an elf and make presents for you loved ones! Decorate an ice-cream cone tree and visit with Santa. The whole family is invited.

Where: Orion Township Public Library, 825 Joslyn Rd., Lake Orion
When: 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM
Who: All ages family event
How: Just drop in, no registration is required.
Cost: Free
For more info: Call 248-693-3002 or visit them online [here](http://www.heart.com)

For more events, visit [Macaroni Kid](http://www.macaronikid.com/town/lakeorion/calendar/event/elf-workshop-orion-township-public-library/2016-12-10) or [Orient Township Public Library](http://www.otplnet.org/)

For more news, visit [Ottawa County, Michigan](http://www.ottawacountyjournal.com)

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Dear Karen,

Don't miss your chance to attend professional development programs and events from MLA and other organizations serving the library community.

Since you're an MLA member, you've probably already heard the excitement over this year's annual conference. If you haven't already registered, you still have one more chance!

**Tomorrow, October 21, is the last day to register** for Annual Conference.
You won’t want to miss out on our diverse program offerings, spotlight presenters and keynote speakers.

**Register Now**
**More Information**

**MLA 2016 Keynote Speakers**

**Shannon McClintock Miller**, blogger of The Library Voice
*Wednesday*
**Learn more**

Shannon McClintock Miller is an international speaker and consultant who speaks about education, librarianship, technology, social media, and making a difference in education and the lives of others, especially children.

**Detroit SOUP's Executive Director Amy Kaherl**
*Thursday*
**Learn more**

Detroit SOUP is a microgranting event that celebrates creative projects in the city and has helped Detroitors give back over $125,000 towards art, social justice, social entrepreneurs, education, technology and urban agriculture in their community.

**Ben Bizzle, CEO of Library Market**
*Friday*
**Learn more**

Ben Bizzle is a 2013 Library Journal Marketing Mover & Shaker and John Cotton Dana Award winner. He authored the 2015 ALA Editions book, Start a Revolution: Stop Acting Like a Library, offering strategies for innovative web development, marketing, and outreach for libraries.

**Library SOUP - Ticketed Event**
*Thursday, October 27, 3:30 - 4:30 p.m.*
**More Information**
**Register**

Forgot to sign up when you registered?
No worries, you can still register.

Library SOUP is a *fundraising event that will help secure money for innovative projects* libraries would otherwise not be able to pursue and *help fund the MLA Scholarship.*
By purchasing a $10 ticket (about the same amount you'd spend on a movie ticket) you're not only helping the community, you're also contributing to the professional development of a budding librarian.

Think of Library SOUP as a go-fund-me project where your peers will vote for the winning project idea.

The Top 5 projects have been announced and you can check them out here. You'll get to participate in a live vote for your favorite at the Library SOUP event during the MLA 2016 Annual Conference on Thursday, October 27, 2016 from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.

Attendees will pay only $10.00 to attend this event. Half the admission fee goes to support the MLA Scholarship fund and the remaining half to the winning Library SOUP project.

**Top 5 projects:**

- Books on Bikes
  - Beth Sheridan, Orion Township Public Library
- Citizens of Tomorrow
  - Anne Similuk, Rochester Hills Public Library
- Teen Writers Journey
  - Jeffrey Babbitt, Van Buren District Library
- STEAM Ahead Program
  - Anne Belanger, Presque Isle District Library
- Wee Free Pantry
  - Jessica Lee-Cullin, East Lansing Public Library

*Not attending annual conference but still want to participate? Library SOUP is open to the public.*

More Information
Purchase Tickets

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**125th Anniversary Celebration**

*Wednesday, October 26, 2016*

*5:30 - 7:30 p.m.*

*FREE - please pre-register*

Commemorate 125 years of MLA **Wednesday, October 26** at annual conference.

Listen to the [Persuasion Band](#) live as they perform music through the decades and view our timeline. We'll have snacks, a photo booth to take fun pictures and an opportunity for you to clink glasses with your friends to celebrate this milestone event.

MLA is proud to serve Michigan libraries and library professionals for the past 125 years through advocacy efforts and professional development advancements. Thank you for helping us reach this achievement through your continued membership. See you there!

More Information
**Wednesday - Game Night**  
*October 26, 2016, 8 - 10 p.m. - Radisson Hotel*

Are you secretly a Jenga prodigy or possess world domination skills and rule at Risk? Find yourself and your new conference friends at MLA’s game night and end the first event day winning at Life! Whether you are new to gaming or a pro, we’ll have a wide selection of board games available to play. Learn to play new games and partake of some of your favorites with fellow librarians, while you enjoy some snacks and great company. Are you on the fence about attending the game night and want to wait to see if your friends will be going? No problem. No advance sign-up is required.

**Thursday: Local Brews Beer Crawl**  
*Thursday, October 27, 2016  
7 p.m. - meet in the Radisson Hotel Lobby*

Join us to tour and taste the best local brews and eats that Lansing has to offer as we travel from pub to pub as a group.

Feeling festive with Halloween around the corner? Feel free to dress in your best costume as we travel this ale trail together! A full list of pubs and a map will be available prior to the event.

Please consider having cash on hand as this is a pay your own way event.

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**Gear Up for MLA 2017 Professional Development Events**

**Academic Libraries**  
*March 9, 2017 - Mott Community College*  
Librarians have a long history of engagement with human rights issues: against censorship and discrimination; in support of the rights of immigrants, cultural minorities, the destitute, people with disabilities, children and young adults, the LGBTQ community, the senescent, those who are illiterate and the imprisoned. Explore the ways academic libraries can impact social justice.

**Spring Institute**  
*March 30-31, 2017 - Bavarian Inn and Conference Center*  
This two-day conference brings together statewide children and teen service librarians to share, learn and develop best practices.

**Managing Digital Resources - WEBINAR**  
*April 21, 2017* Learn the latest trends in digital resource management and how you can incorporate these new approaches into your institution.

**Community Collaborations - Mental Health in Libraries**  
*April 28, 2017* Find the best strategies and resources to better accommodate mentally ill patrons.

**Hybrid Librarian**  
*May 19, 2017* Inspired by the Library Journal article, Top Skills for Tomorrow’s Librarians,
this workshop is offering an experience that will blend collaboration, communications, creativity, critical thinking and flexibility.

Executive Summit  
June 2, 2017  
This valuable one-day event is designed to engage library leaders at the top or on their way to the top.

MLA 2017 Annual Conference - Lansing Center  
October 18-20, 2017  
Save the date!

More Information

MLA Mentor Program Accepting Applicants  
The MLA Mentor Program is an excellent opportunity for students and budding professionals seeking to learn more and experienced librarians and library professionals in the field to share their expertise.

Feedback from the most recent cohort reveals individuals had excellent experiences both as mentors and mentees.

Experienced library professionals have the opportunity to share wisdom, create new relationships and learn the new technologies and trends emerging in the library community from students and young professionals.

Budding professionals gain invaluable experience and the chance to expand their professional network and knowledge.

"(My mentor and I) have a great professional relationship based on trust, and I know that I will likely come to her for guidance after our time (in the program) is over."
-Liz Clauder, Youth Services Librarian Bloomfield Township Public Library  
Mentee 2015-2016

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[More Information]
Dear Karen,

MLA is currently engaged with a number of public policy issues affecting our libraries across the state and nationally. We are working with legislators and stakeholders to ensure the library voice is heard at the Capitol.

October has been relatively quiet at the Capitol. The House remained on break while the Senate was in session last week. Both chambers return after the election on November 9 and 10. Then they are off for two weeks and resume November 29 and 30 and again for seven days in December.

**Tax Capture Bills Sit in House Tax Policy Committee**

Seven MLA supported bills SB 579 and SB 619-624 allowing libraries to keep their millage dollars safe from tax capture await a hearing in the House Tax Policy Committee. Committee Chair Jeff Farrington (R-Utica) has committed to giving the bills a hearing this year. We remain optimistic they could be voted out of committee and onto the House floor. Watch for a call to action once they are in the House.

**New Bill Would Impact Local Taxes**

A new Senate Bill 960 would give a tax break to select companies reducing both State School Aid Fund revenue and local property tax revenue. SB 960 was reported out of the Senate Finance Committee to the Senate Floor last week. It is likely the House will not take up this legislation this year. Michigan Treasury along with local government organizations and school organizations oppose the legislation. The potential cost of this bill to communities could be severe. Not only will it have an immediate impact, but the prevailing thought is that many companies will switch to a 501(c)3 to take advantage of the tax break, which could have an even larger impact.
Penal Fines Bill Passes Senate

Earlier this year MLA and GCSI met with bill sponsors of HB 4651 which amended the motor vehicle code making it a misdemeanor to drive a motorcycle without an endorsement. As a result, the section of the bill that would have funneled a portion of the penal fines to purposes other than library support was removed. We explained how important it was that those fines remain dedicated to libraries.

This bill increases the maximum fine from $100 to $500 for a first violation and up to $1,000 for repeat violations. Any associated increase in fine revenue would be dedicated to public libraries. The bill passed the Senate and is headed for the governor's signature.

This bill was the first of three recent attempts to divert penal fines. MLA and GCSI are watching carefully for these assaults on library funding.

Read Online

Tax Tribunal and Big Box Store Legislation Stuck in Senate Committee

HB 5578 sponsored by Sen. Dave Maturen (R-Portage) would impact highest and best use and restrictive covenants, two of the most controversial and potentially harmful features in the tax tribunal's practice of lowering assessments for big box stores and utilities across the state. The Michigan Tax Tribunal continues to reduce tax obligations allowing thriving big box stores to be taxed at the same rate as closed-down, abandoned stores.

Some libraries have been forced to pay back thousands of dollars in tax revenue causing extensive hardship for a number of libraries. Northern Michigan University students produced a documentary on the issue. It can be viewed here. The bill passed the House and is now in Senate Finance Committee.

Read Online

ALA: Ask Congress to Back Key Library Program Bill

Every year, nearly $200 million in federal library funding is awarded to every state in the nation by the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS). IMLS can do that work, and gets the funding it needs, in no small measure because Congress passed and periodically "reauthorizes" the Museum and Library Services Act. It's time for Congress to renew that important landmark legislation again and library champions in the Senate have just introduced a bill, S. 3391, to do exactly that.

With just a few weeks remaining after the November elections to get it passed, however, we need to help them help us by getting as many other Senators to "co-sponsor" S. 3391 as possible.

Please don't wait until November - email or call your Senators and ask them to co-sponsor S. 3391, the Museum and Library Services Act, as soon as they get back to Washington.

Send an email
Dear Karen,

Here are this month’s networking resources to build stronger libraries and library professionals. In the spirit of networking, email MLA@milibraries.org to suggest a topic or idea you feel would be of interest to MLA members.

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Did You Miss Our Conference? Take a Peek Into the Topics We Covered

Shannon McClintock Miller explored the values of connectivity and community with us; the simple act of initiating technology with a swipe of the finger can connect us to an entirely different perspective in a place clear across the world. Experiences like these are extremely educational and powerful by opening our eyes to vast worldviews and lifestyles. This sense of connection and openness creates a space where we can be creative and take that creativity and sharing to different heights; a reciprocal relationship that empowers us in our own education and discovery.

You can access our presenter presentations on our website, and see more of what Shannon says and does by visiting her blog, The Library Voice.

This is your opportunity to explore the wealth of knowledge shared at conference and to save the date for next year: October 18-20 at the Lansing Center. In the meantime, make sure you explore the other professional development opportunities MLA has to offer for 2017 to broaden your horizons and add value to your library community.

Annual Conference Presenter Materials
2017 MLA Professional Development Event

Academic Libraries Call for Posters

Deadline: December 2, 2016

The Academic Libraries Workgroup is seeking poster proposals for a DIGITAL poster session and a pre-recorded webinar series that will be available to attendees as an extended research and learning opportunity. Please note that your attendance is not required with this presentation format; this is an excellent opportunity for those that are typically constrained by location or associated fees! You do not have to be a member of the Michigan Library Association for consideration.

Visit our website for more information
Submit a Digital Poster Proposal

FAFSA Information for Your Library and Patrons

Here’s some information from nonprofit EduGuide to help your library patrons get the answers they need to their questions about the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

Check out their Michigan College Goal website for information about events with free on-site assistance from Financial Aid experts.

Visit MICollegeGoal.org, or call EduGuide at (517) 374-4083 for more information.

November Kicks off National Novel Writing Month

National Novel Writing Month (NaNoWriMo) is a nonprofit event that encourages kids and adults to tackle the challenge of writing a novel in November. Launched in 1999, NaNoWriMo inspires its 300,000+ participants with pep talks, a huge and supportive online community, and a host of web-based writing tools.

Visit their website for more details on how your library can get involved.

More Information

November is National Runaway Prevention Month

It is spearheaded by National Runaway Safeline (NRS) and National Network for Youth (NN4Y).
To support prevention NRS offers free materials, including posters, bookmarks and brochures that you can download or have mailed to you. They also have a list of suggested media. [Click here for PDF.]

The True Colors Fund has a list of 10 things you can do personally to support National Runaway Prevention Month. [Click here for more information.]

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**Spring Institute Call for Programs**
*Deadline: Friday, November 11, 2016*

The 2017 MLA Spring Institute Conference, March 29-31, theme is Growing, Networking, and Inspiring.

All topics are welcome to be proposed. Examples could be, but not limited to: early literacy, diversity, coding/STEM, grants/fundraising, music, personal development, avoiding burnout, programming, collections, and management.

[Visit our website for more information](#)
[Submit a Proposal Here](#)

**Call for "Cool Things My Library Does" Proposals**
*Deadline: January 9, 2017*

Do you have a great project you've implemented at your library, but don't think the information would fill a whole breakout session time slot?

Please consider submitting a proposal for Cool Things My Library Does. This quick engaging presentation session will give you an opportunity to showcase your brilliance in a comfortable group discussion and reception format. Think of it like a strolling poster session show-and-tell with props. Topic examples might be unique collections, outreach programs, engaging services or distinctive displays.

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**Wayne State GCAA Certificate Now Available Online**

The Wayne State School of Library and Information Science is pleased to announce that its Graduate Certificate in Archival Administration (GCAA) will be available online (and, therefore, open to all SLIS students) effective Winter 2017. As detailed on the GCAA web page, the 15-credit certificate is composed of 3 required courses and 2 electives.

The initial schedule for the online GCAA is as follows:

**Required Courses:**
LIS 7710, Archival Administration: Online Winter 2017
LIS 7780, Description and Access for Archives, Online Winter 2017
LIS 7685, Practicum, Assigned in student's home region

Electives:

LIS 6780, Records Management, Online Sp/Su and Fall
LIS 7730, Administration of Audio Visual Collections, not available online
LIS 7740, Archives and Libraries in the Digital World, Online Sp/Su 2017
LIS 7750, Intro to Archival and Library Conservation, not available online
LIS 7770, Oral History, not available online
LIS 7885, Administration of Historical Agencies, Online Fall 2017

Questions?
Contact Kim Schroeder, GCAA Coordinator, at ag1797@wayne.edu
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: 6/30/2017
Visit the MLA website to renew your membership or update your profile (login required).

President's Update

At this year’s MLA Annual Conference we tried something new. In an effort to assist a burgeoning library project in need of funding and at the same time raise funds for MLA Scholarships, the Library SOUP project was launched. Similar to a go-fund-me project, conference attendees voted for the winning project idea with the purchase of a $10 ticket. Half of the ticket price went to the Library SOUP award and the other half to MLA's scholarship fund.

The 2016 Annual Conference Work Group picked the top five contestants and in an American Idol-style event, those contenders made a short presentation to convince the audience of why their project should be chosen. A live vote then determined the winner. All five projects were outstanding examples of librarian creativity and community service. The presentations were lively and fun and it was not easy to choose.

Continue Reading
From the Executive Director's Desk

According to the Merriam-Webster dictionary, grit in the context of behavior is defined as "firmness of character; indomitable spirit." This topic came up in a recent discussion I had with MLA President Kathleen Zaenger who recommended reading Angela Duckworth's book *Grit: The Power of Passion and Perseverance*. Duckworth, a renowned researcher and child psychologist, lists grit as the secret to success.

Through her research she discovered that without passion and perseverance, intellect alone will not foster success. In fact, many highly gifted and intelligent adults stagnate or even fail in their chosen field because they do not have the ability to endure the trials and persist through the sometimes debilitating failures that come with achieving success or fulfillment.

Continue Reading

Thank you for Joining us at MLA2016

Thank you to everyone who attended, presented and volunteered at MLA's annual conference and 125th anniversary celebration. The education and networking opportunities were well attended and well thought out. Congratulations go the MLA Annual Conference workgroup and workgroup chair Vanessa Verdon Morris for putting together a creative and engaging conference. Kudos to MLA staffer Kristy Doak for her hard work and expertise as well.

If you missed some of the sessions, many handouts are available on the MLA Website. [www.milibraries.org](http://www.milibraries.org).

Lansing Center is a large and spacious venue. It gives us plenty of room to spread out. So, we'll see you there again next year October 18-20, 2017.

Michigan Association for Media in Education (MAME) Conference

The school librarian's conference MAME 43 in Grand Rapids followed the week after MLA2016. I had the pleasure of attending, exhibiting and presenting two sessions, one on advocacy and a second on leadership. It was a great opportunity to learn about school libraries and their challenges and meet some very dedicated and talented professionals.

Board of Directors Nominations Due Monday

The MLA board of directors is seeking candidates for the 2017-18 board election. In April members will vote for a MLA president-elect and three member-at-large board positions. The at-large positions will each serve for a three-year term beginning July 2017 and ending June 2020. More information

The submission deadline is 5 p.m. on Monday, November 14, 2016. To submit a
nomination, complete the form below and e-mail it to MLA@milibraries.org.

Nomination Form

Now Accepting Nominations for the 2017 Frances H. Pletz Award

The Michigan library community is filled with caring, compassionate and devoted youth librarians and we’d like to recognize one who stands out from the crowd. If you know of a deserving youth librarian who has made outstanding contributions to the field of library service for youth, please consider nominating them for the 2017 Frances H. Pletz Award for Excellence in Service to Youth or sharing this invitation with interested colleagues.

The deadline to submit nominations is January 31, 2017.

Download the PDF nomination form here.

Find out more about the Frances H. Pletz Award here.

If you have questions about the award or the nomination process, please email MLA@milibraries.org.

Last Call for SI 2016 Program Proposals

Breakout Session Program Proposals Submissions welcome through Friday, November 11, 2016.

The 2017 MLA Spring Institute Conference theme is Growing, Networking, and Inspiring, and those are exactly the experiences that the event will focus on. All topics are welcome to be proposed. Examples could be, but not limited to: early literacy, diversity, coding/STEM, grants/fundraising, music, personal development, avoiding burnout, programming, collections, and management.

More information

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Director's Report
November 17, 2016
Karen Knox

October was another busy month at the library this fall. In Adult Services, programs included: 3 Book Discussions (20), 4 Needle Arts (23), 1-1 Tech Help (16), Orion Historical Society (5), Cook the Book (13), The Ancient Japanese Art of Shibori (24), Pokemon Go (67), Hunters Safety (60), Writers Workshop (4), and Are You Afraid of the Dark (9).

Outreach Services staff were also full of activity this month with 7 Computer Classes (7), 4 ESL Conversation Groups (36), 4 ESL Classes (50), 2 Quilting Groups (8), Lake Orion Nursing Center program (24), Senior Book Bunch (5), Heritage Place programs (23), 8 Next Chapter Book Clubs (70), Villa at Silverbell program (11), and a Tech Talk (9).

Teens came out to the library in October for Geek Club (13), Teen Advisory Group (4), Teen Makerspace (13), SAT Practice Exam (27), and most notably for the Haunted House – 11 teens set it up the Saturday before, and we had 701 people go through the Haunted House the week it was open to the public for 4 nights.

In the Youth Department, we had Lego @ the Library (15), BFG Party (15), Game On (22), Art is Awesome (27), Makerspace – Code It (9), Youth Book Bingo (23), Cardboard Build Day (16), MineCrafts (34), Royalty Day (40), Doggone Readers (13), 1, 2, 3 Play With Me (139), Mother Goose (230), Preschool Pals (160), Babytime (26), and our annual Halloween Stories & Parade (130). Staff made 22 Think Link visits to schools as well this month, talking to almost 1200 students, mostly about the Battle of the Books. We kicked off the Battle this week on Wednesday, November 9 with two initial meetings, where we announced the list of books and started signups for this year’s program. In addition, 96 children are registered for the 1000 Books Before Kindergarten program.

The Dragon Award was increasingly popular this year with 2,945 votes cast. (Last year there were only 891 votes.) The winner of the 2016 Dragon Award is Gregor the Overlander by Suzanne Collins, with 54% of the vote.

Librarians tracked the number of reference questions they answered at both the adult and youth desks for a couple weeks in October. Adult services averaged 50 questions/day. Youth services averaged 40 questions/day.

The library hosted the TLN Membership Meeting on October 7 for all TLN libraries. Department heads are starting to work on annual staff performance evaluations and will complete those in November. Staff is putting together content for the next issue of the Library Link, which is scheduled to be delivered to residents at the end of December.
MaryAnne and Karen had two Community Conversations in October, on 10/4 and 10/19, but no one came to the one on 10/19. We also tried to have one on 11/3, but no one showed up. We have one last conversation scheduled for 11/16. We will continue to collect information and share it out once we have completed the conversations this year.

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

The building renovation of Adult Services is moving along smoothly. We are selling much of the existing furniture that we are replacing with the renovation. We installed the oversize door from the storage area into the library. We have completed the Periodical Room and the staff offices with paint, carpet, and electrical work. We have done the same along the windows in the public space, and we have begun work in the Teen and Ingram rooms. Staff have collected details on proposals for the local history display that is planned for the Periodical Room. I will provide a complete update at the board meeting.

The Michigan Library Association Conference took place in Lansing at the end of October. Halli, Kathleen, and Gina presented on "All Ages Programming," and Beth, Gina, and Monica presented the Bike Bookmobile project for the Library SOUP program. I presented on "Partners in Your Community," and I was part of a panel about the Harwood Cohort project. Kate also attended the conference, as did MaryAnne. We did not win the Library SOUP program, but staff did a great job. I did receive the State Librarian’s Excellence Award Citation of Excellence on Friday, October 28. We hung the banner on the front of the building last week.

The Library was a polling location for the election on Tuesday, November 8.

The Library will be closing at 5p on Wednesday, November 23, and we will be closed on Thursday & Friday, November 24 & 25 for the Thanksgiving Holiday.

The Friends’ latest board meeting was held on November 1, and they will meet again on November 28. They hosted the Orion Area Chamber lunch at the library on October 6 and promoted their activities to businesses. They had a great Friends Members Only event on October 20. They have their Holiday Silent Basket Auction set up in the lobby from November 7-December 2, and they are already starting to talk about their 2017 Gala to Poland! They have asked for a capital project to use as the beneficiary of the gala fundraising, and we have agreed to use it to upgrade the technology in the Teen Room.
Reminders and other notable upcoming events for the Library:

- November 7-December 2 – Friends Holiday Silent Basket Auction
- November 19 – International Games Day, 11a-4p
- November 23 – Library closes at 5p
- November 24, 25 – Library closed
- November 28 – Color Me Calm, 6p
- December 3 – The Giving Season: Author/Illustrator Fair, 1-4p
- December 10 – Elf Workshop & Santa, 10a
- December 15 – Red Cross Blood Drive, 9:30a-6:30p
- December board meeting - Board meeting calendar for 2017, Annual board evaluation
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Haunted House was excellent

So we may respond, please print clearly.

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Too many stickers on games particularly

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**BACK ROOM Book Basket(s) [Friends of the Library?] (Handed to Mary???)? and Palace for the Sweetie for ofy soliciting donations for baskets. It’s a wonderful variety. I at first assumed that Back Room referred to a local book store - clever! Your baskets were especially delightful. My favorite was the little girls’ tea party set with the table and chairs, dolls, a tea party china, stirrup, etc.**

I wish my circumstances allowed me to bid.

**Wonderful work as usual, folks!**

So we may respond, please print clearly. **You NEED NOT RESPOND**

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Back Room Book Movers/ Friends of the Library?

Hudson to Mary?? And develop for the special interest in making wonderful books and other ...clever! These baskets were especially delightful. My favorite was the little girl's tea party set with the tablecloth, tea cup, doll, and tea party china. Adorable.

I wish my circumstances allowed me to bid. It was all sold as usual, folks!

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Gina Crowther  
Outreach Services Coordinator  
Orion Township Public Library  
825 Joslyn Rd.  
Lake Orion, MI 48362

Dear Gina,

Heritage Place residents want to let you know how happy they are with the senior outreach services and Monica Zalewski's dedication and hard work. Thank you!

Sincerely yours,

[Signatures]

MANAGED BY:

TRINITY SENIOR LIVING COMMUNITIES  
Creating Sanctuary  
Livonia, Michigan  
Equal Housing Opportunity
Heritage Place Book Club
Certificate of Excellence

is hereby granted to:

[Monica Zalewski]

for outstanding performance and lasting contribution on Senior Outreach Services

Granted: October 21, 2016

Heritage Place Book Club Members
### Statistical Report - Usage for the month of October 2016

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#### Technology Usage Statistics

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#### Other Usage Statistics

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<td>13</td>
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No visitors to the Orion Center branch due to flood at the Orion Center
Library Board of Trustees Bylaws
Adopted: 9/9/1976; Revised: 2/19/2009

Article I. Membership
In accordance with the provisions of Public Act 164, as amended, of the laws of the State of Michigan 1877, the Orion Township Public Library Board of Trustees shall consist of six members who are voting residents of Orion Township. The Board members shall be selected at each quadrennial election, and shall serve four years. In the event of a vacancy, the Board shall appoint a person to hold the vacant office until the next biennial election. This appointment must be made by a majority vote of the Board at the first regular meeting after the vacancy occurs.

Article II. Officers
Section 1 Officers of the Board shall be President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer.
Section 2 Officers shall be elected at the annual meeting. Vacancies in office shall be filled at the next regular meeting of the Board, with the exception of President, wherein the office of the President shall be filled by the Vice-President for the unexpired term.
Section 3 The President of the Board shall preside at all meetings, appoint all committees, and generally perform any duties of a presiding officer.
Section 4 The Vice-President shall perform the duties of the President in the President’s absence. In case of resignation, disability, or death of the President, the Vice-President shall assume the office for the unexpired term.
Section 5 The Secretary shall be responsible for all legal correspondence, keeping the minutes of the Board Meetings, and notifying all members of regular or special meetings. Any of these responsibilities may be assigned to the Library Director if the Secretary so directs.
Section 6 The Treasurer shall be responsible for all monies collected for the library, which shall include responsibility for the investment and disbursement of said monies. He/she shall oversee the keeping of financial records in accordance with State law. With help of the Director, he/she shall prepare monthly financial statements, assist in audit preparation and submit the audit for Board approval. The Treasurer shall assist the Director in budget preparation. The Treasurer may invest funds as allow by State law. Any of these responsibilities may be assigned to the Library Director, if the Treasurer so directs.
Section 7 Any two of the following officers may sign checks: President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer or Library Director.
Section 8 The Provisions of the Open Meetings Act (Public Act 267 of 1976) shall be followed. Roberts Rules of Order, Newly Revised shall be the rule for all meetings of the Board. When those rules differ, Board policies will be followed.
Article III. Meetings

Section 1  The Library Board shall meet on the third Thursday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at the library. The November meeting shall be the annual meeting when officers are elected and assume office. All members shall be notified and supplied with an agenda prior to each meeting.

Section 2  Special meetings may be called by the President, or upon written request of two members, for the transaction of business as stated in the call. Notice stating the time and place of any special meeting and the purpose for which shall be given each member of the Board at least 48 hours in advance of such meeting.

Section 3  A quorum for transaction of business shall consist of simple majority. Voting by Board members at meetings of the Board or any committee by conference telephone or other interactive, electronic technology allowing full public access and participation shall be permitted; participation by such means shall constitute presence for the quorum. Public access to meetings shall be provided at the meeting location stated in the meeting notice.

Section 4  Order of business shall be:
- Call to order
- Agenda Approval
- Consent Agenda
- Financial Statement and Treasurer’s Report (Quarterly)
- Call to Public
- Communications
- Director’s Report
- Old Business
- Standing Committee Reports
  - Fund Development
  - Board Development
  - Finance
  - Policy
- Ad hoc Committee Reports
- Discussion Items
- Action Items
- Questions from the Public
- Trustee Comments
- Adjournment

Section 5  Any Board action, to be official, must be approved by a majority of members present at an official Board meeting. Bills that affect continuing operation of the library do not require a board meeting for payment.

Section 6  Excessive absence from official Board meetings will be defined as three successive unexcused absences. Failure to attend three consecutive library board meeting without notification will be considered an unwritten resignation from the Library Board, and the position will be considered open for appointment until the next biennial election.

Article IV. Committees
Section 1 Special Committees may be appointed by the President, with approval of the board, to serve until assignments are completed.

Section 2 Standing Committees are:

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<td>Policy</td>
<td>Develop and maintain the written policy of the Orion Township Public Library Board of Trustees, the “Policy Manual.” Review the development of the “Library Human Resources Policy,” which is developed by the Library Director or his/her designate. Investigate, interpret, and advise the Board and/or Director on policy-related issues.</td>
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<td>Finance</td>
<td>Review the development of the Annual Budget, which is developed by the Library Director or his/her designate. Review proposals to amend the budget through the course of the budget period. Monitor the organization’s performance to budget and report to the Board as required. Investigate, interpret, and advise the Board and/or Director on finance-related issues.</td>
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<td>Fund Development</td>
<td>Develop new and enhance existing revenue streams with support of the Marketing Plan in conformance to the Strategic Plan.</td>
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<td>Board Development</td>
<td>Organize and plan events, tasks, and exercises that improve the performance of board members individually and as a group.</td>
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Section 3 Unless otherwise directed, a committee’s assignment is limited to study and/or investigation and reporting. Committee action and expenditures must be duly authorized by the board.

Article V. Director

Section 1 The Director shall be the executive officer of the board and shall be directly responsible to the board for fulfilling of his/her position requirements as defined in the job description.

Section 2 The Director shall have charge of the administration of the library within the framework of board policies and budget.

Section 3 The Director shall attend all board meetings as a non-voting member except those at which his/her appointment, salary, or performance is to be discussed or acted upon.
Article VI. Amendments

Section 1  These bylaws may be amended at any meeting of the board by majority vote of the members present that:
   1. At least a quorum is present.
   2. The amendment was stated in the call for the meeting.
Don't Become a Headline!

- "Library board's actions prompt Open Meetings Act probe in St. Charles" Kane County Chronicle, October 25, 2016.
- "Library board's closed session criticized" Herold & Review, Decatur, Ill., October 26, 2015.

Overview of Presentation

- Role of the Board Member.
- Rules of Procedure.
  - Open Meetings Act.
  - Parliamentary Procedures.
  - Adopt and Follow Bylaws.
  - Ethical and Fiduciary Duties.
Role of Board Member

- Board Members have a fiduciary obligation to the Board.
  - Not act in own self interest.
  - Even though you are appointed by the City or a participating municipality, your fiduciary obligation is to the Library.
  - This can happen with district libraries that have Board Members from other municipalities on the Library Board.

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Role of Board Member

- Board Members have policy making responsibilities.
  - Board sets policy through its official actions.
  - Board delegates responsibility to Library Director.
  - Act as an advocate for the Board in the community.
  - Focus on the "big picture" and leave day-to-day operations to the Library Director and Library staff; Board Members should not attempt to micromanage.

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Role of Board Member

- Board Members have to work on getting along.
  - Show respect to one another at the meetings.
  - May agree to disagree but do so in a constructive manner.
  - Regardless of the outcome, publically support the decision of the Library.
  - Don't use the Library Director to mediate between Library Board Members.

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Role of Board Member

- Board Members have "appellate" responsibilities.
  - Board hears appeals of violation of library policy.
  - Board hears appeals of FOIA requests.

Open Meetings Act

1. The Open Meetings Act was expressly enacted for the purpose of requiring certain meetings of public bodies to be open to the public, to require notice and the keeping of minutes of the meetings, to provide enforcement of the Act, to provide invalidation of decisions under certain circumstances and to provide penalties for non-compliance.
2. All meetings subject to the Open Meetings Act must be open to the public and held in a place available to the general public.
3. The Americans with Disabilities Act requires the public body to provide disabled individuals with a reasonable opportunity to request necessary, reasonable auxiliary aids and services to participate at public meetings.

Rules of Procedure
Open Meetings Act
General Rules of Meetings

1. A public body may not place conditions on attendance such as requiring visitors to sign in or provide names.
2. People should be able to sit anonymously in the audience.

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Open Meetings Act
Public Comment

1. All persons in attendance at a public meeting have the right to address the public body.
2. Have the Board develop a policy on public comment that covers:
   a. Time limits. 3 - 5 min.
   b. Whether the speaker must give his/her name and address.

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Open Meetings Act
Right to Record

1. The right to attend a meeting of a public body includes the right to tape record, videotape and broadcast the public proceedings via live radio and television.
2. Keep this rule in mind if your municipality prevents videotaping generally in the building where the open meetings are held.

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Open Meetings Act
Discussion by Quorum

Quorum.
- Discussing Library business with a quorum outside of an open meeting.
- If the Board makes a decision at a meeting with absolutely no discussion, it appears that there was a separate private discussion.

Open Meetings Act

Implications of new technology such as telephone conference, videoconferencing, Skype, or chat rooms.

Impact of e-mail.

Open Meetings Act

Public Meetings Must be Properly Noticed

Within ten (10) days after the public body's first regular meeting of the calendar or fiscal year, it must post a notice at its principal office stating the dates, times, and places of its regular meetings.

A public notice shall always contain the name of the public body, its telephone number if one exists, and its address.

A public notice for a public body shall always be posted at its principal office and any other locations considered appropriate by the public body. Notice may also be utilized for purposes of printed public notice. Also, the new law may require a website posting if applicable.

Also, there may be other applicable laws. For example, public hearing notices regarding the budget may have special requirements.

Upon written request, the secretary must furnish a copy of the notice to any newspaper or radio or television station located within the state free of charge.
Open Meetings Act Notice

Rescheduled Regular Meetings Must be Properly Noticed

1 If a public body changes its regular meeting schedule, it must post a new notice:
   - stating the changes within three (3) days after the meeting at which the change was made; and
   - at least 18 hours before the rescheduled meeting in a prominent and conspicuous place:
     - at both the public body's principal office; and
     - if the public body directly or indirectly maintains an official internet presence that includes monthly or more frequent updates of public meeting agendas or minutes, on a portion of the website that is fully accessible to the public.

Special Meetings Must be Properly Noticed

Special meetings require that the meeting be posted 18 hours in advance of the meeting in a prominent and conspicuous place:
- at both the public body's principal office; and
- if the public body directly or indirectly maintains an official internet presence that includes monthly or more frequent updates of public meeting agendas or minutes, on a portion of the website that is fully accessible to the public.
Open Meetings Act
Closed Sessions

1. A closed session must be preceded by a vote in an open session.

2. The vote and the purpose of the closed session must be stated and included in the minutes of the open session.

3. At the conclusion of the closed session, a vote must be taken to close the closed session and re-open the open session before the meeting may be adjourned.

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Reasons cited in minutes for closed sessions:

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Open Meetings Act
Closed Sessions

Closed Sessions

1. A closed session may be called by a majority vote of the members.

- To consider the dismissal, suspension, discipline, complaints, charges or periodic personnel evaluations of a public officer or employee, if the named person requests a closed hearing; or

- For strategy and negotiation sessions connected with the negotiation of a collective bargaining agreement, if either party requests a closed session.

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Open Meetings Act
Closed Sessions

Discussion of "Employee Discipline or Evaluation" exemptions recommendations.

- Enter the request for the closed session in the minutes if the employee requests the closed session. If the employee is not present at the meeting, make sure to obtain the consent in writing prior to the meeting.

- Do not promise complete confidentiality of evaluations or complaints. For example, even if the public body moves into closed sessions to discuss a periodic personnel evaluation, the evaluation itself and personnel files are still subject to disclosure under the FOIA.

- The public body may decide whether the named employee or any other person attends the closed session.

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**Open Meetings Act**

**Closed Sessions**

- A closed session may be called by a two-thirds roll call vote of the members.
  - To consider the purchase or lease of real property up until the time an option to purchase or lease is acquired:
    - This is only the purchase of property.
    - Does not include the sale.
  - There is current proposed legislation (H.B. 5626) about adding the "sale" of property - not law yet!

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**Open Meetings Act**

**Closed Sessions**

- To consult with the municipal attorney regarding trial or settlement strategy in connection with specific pending litigation, if an open meeting would have a detrimental financial effect on the public body.
  - Threat of litigation not enough.
- If a consent judgment has been entered or a settlement agreement reached, public body may not use this exemption to discuss the execution of the judgment or agreement; there have to be specific unresolved issues in the litigation. Detroit News, Inc v. City of Detroit, 185 Mich App 296; 460 NW2d 312 (1990).
- The attorney representing public body in the closed session does not have to be the actual attorney digisal the matter, any attorney who has an attorney-client relationship with the public body would suffice. MNN v. First Town, 234 Mich App 366; 597 NW2d 645 (1990).

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**Open Meetings Act**

**Closed Sessions**

- To review the specific contents of an application for employment or appointment to a public office, if the candidate requests that the application remain confidential. All interviews by a public body for a public office must be open, however.
  - Cannot be used to compare candidates in closed session.
  - Very limited exemption.
To consider material exempt from discussion or disclosure by state or federal statute.

- Documents exempt under FOIA (except the “frank communication” exemption).
- Attorney-Client Privilege.
- HIPAA or medical issues.
- Michigan Library Privacy Act - “library records”.
- Closed session minutes.

Minutes of each meeting must be kept showing the time, date and place of the meeting. The minutes must also state the names of all members present and absent, any decisions made, all roll call votes taken at the meeting and the reason for any closed sessions held.

Proposed minutes must be made available for public inspection within eight (8) business days after the meeting at which the minutes were taken.

Any corrections to the minutes must be made at the next meeting, and the corrected minutes must show the original entry and the correction.

Approved minutes must be available for public inspection within five (5) business days after the meeting at which the minutes were approved.
Open Meetings Act

Minutes

- Open Meeting Minutes.
  - Not recording or accurately recording motions or other actions taken by the Board.
  - In litigation, the Court looks to the minutes of a meeting, not the verbal representations of Board Members.
  - Prepare the minutes timely and approve them at the next meeting to avoid any problems.

Carroll v. Montmorency County Comm'n on Aging

Facts.

- Plaintiff was hired as the Executive Director of MCOA in 2002; however, the relationship deteriorated.
- At a regular meeting on April 21, 2011, the Board discussed, among other matters, plaintiff's termination.
- The minutes of that meeting reflect that the Board moved into closed session, but the minutes contain the following statement:
  - Section 7150.04 No motion or purpose was stated even though the majority of the Board thought it was to review Mary Carroll's performance. The second section was directed to many other areas and therefore the minutes of the closed session became part of the regular meeting minutes.

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Open Meetings Act

Carroll v. Montmorency County Comm'n on Aging

On appeal.

- The Court noted that the Board "speaks" through its minutes.
- The minutes of the meeting reflect a majority vote in favor of plaintiff's termination, at a meeting in which there was a quorum.
- The evidence that plaintiff sought to have the Trial Court consider concerning the Board Member's vote is precisely the sort of evidence that, if considered, "would permit official records to be received as either partial or uncertain memorials."

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Open Meetings Act

Carroll v. Montmorency County Comm'n on Aging

On appeal.

- Plaintiff also asserted that the OMA requires that minutes be approved at the next meeting after they are taken.
- Court found that the OMA actually provides that "[t]he public body shall make any corrections in the minutes at the next meeting after the meeting to which the minutes refer." MCL 15.269(1).
- Here, no corrections were ever made to the minutes of the April 21 meeting; further, nothing in the OMA can be fairly read to indicate that a failure to correct minutes at the next meeting renders those minutes forever invalid.

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Open Meetings Act

Carroll v. Montmorency County Comm'n on Aging

On appeal: OMA Violation - Closed Session.

- Plaintiff claimed OMA violations - closed session at the April 21 meeting was improper - warranted invalidation of termination. The Court of Appeals disagreed.
- The Court found MCOA actually cured any violation during the April 21, 2011 meeting. The minutes of that meeting reflect that the Board realized that the closed session potentially violated the OMA; consequently, the Board placed the minutes of the closed session into the regular minutes. It then deliberated plaintiff's termination in an open meeting and made its decision by vote at an open meeting.
- Invalidation not a proper remedy.

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Open Meetings Act
Remedies

Sanctions for violation of the OMA.

- A decision made by a Library Board or other public body may be invalidated.
- A person may commence a civil action to compel compliance or to enjoin further non-compliance with the OMA.
- If a public official is found to have intentionally violated the OMA, the official may be held personally liable for court costs and actual attorney fees as well as up to $500 in damages.
- A public official who intentionally violates the OMA is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine of up to $1000. For a second offense during the same term of office, the maximum fine increases to $2000 and the public official may be imprisoned for up to one (1) year.

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Parliamentary Procedures

Typical Board Meeting Rules
Procedure

  - Quorum.
  - Order of motions.
  - One proposition on the floor at a time.
  - One board member speaking at a time.
  - The issue and not the person is what is under discussion.
  - Limiting remarks.
  - Active listening.
  - Majority vote decides (usually).
Each library should adopt bylaws.
Bylaws should be reviewed periodically.
Bylaws sometimes just state issues that are a matter of state law:
- Name and type of library.
- How the board is established appointed/elected.
- Vacancies.
- Authority.

Bylaws should not be in conflict with state law.

Common bylaw provisions that may be problematic:
- Secret voting provisions.
- Allowing removal from appointed or elected library board positions when not authorized by law, for example, with district libraries or elected PA 164 library boards.
- Requiring all votes to be by majority of the quorum - OMA for example requires 2/3.
Bylaws

- Bylaws may contain provisions that assist in running a good meeting but are not spelled out in the law:
  - Duties of officers with respect to meetings.
  - Vacancies in offices of the officers (as opposed to the board member vacancies).
  - State date of annual meeting.
  - Procedure for calling a special meeting.

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Bylaws

- Bylaws may contain provisions that assist in running a good meeting but are not spelled out in the law:
  - Agenda requirements.
  - Agenda format.
  - Quorum.
  - Committee appointments.
  - Duties of Director at meetings.

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Ethical and Fiduciary Duties
Oath of Office

Constitution of Michigan of 1936, Article XI, Section 1.

"All officers, legislative, executive and judicial, before entering upon the duties of their respective offices, shall take and subscribe the following oath or affirmation: I do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the constitution of this state, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of ........ according to the best of my ability. No other oath, affirmation, or any religious test shall be required as a qualification for any office or public trust."

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Fiduciary Duties

Similar to a director of a corporation, a Board Member's fiduciary duties require fair dealings and disinterested conduct.

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Standards of Conduct for Public Officers and Employees Act (MCL 15.341 et seq.)

- Code of ethics.
- Applies to both public officers and employees.
- Public officers and employees may not (among other things):
  - Improperly disclose to unauthorized persons confidential information acquired in the course of employment.
  - Represent their personal opinion as that of an agency.
  - Use public resources and property in a disinterested, unlawful, or for personal gain or benefit.
  - Participate in the negotiation or execution of contracts, loans, granting of subsidies, fixing of rates, issuance of permits or certificates, or other regulatory actions in which they have an interest.

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Duty of Loyalty

- Avoiding Conflicts of Interest.
  - Incompatible Public Offices Act (MCL 15.181 et seq.).
  - Political Activities by Public Employees Act (MCL 15.321 et seq.).
- Avoiding self-dealing.
  - Contracts of Public Servants with Public Entities (MCL 15.321 et seq.).

Duty of Care

- Good faith – voting and service.
- Reasonable care.
- Fulfilling statutory duties of the member's specific office.
- Attending meetings.
  - Absence of meetings – for Libraries, there is not a specific statutory remedy.

Breach of a Duty

- Violations of the OMA or FOIA.
- Civil litigation.
- Possible criminal violations:
  - Embezzlement.
  - Illegal expenditures.
  - Willful neglect to perform a statutory duty.
  - Commingling of Library funds with personal or private funds.
Questions?

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