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

I. Call to order
II. Approval of agenda
III. Consent agenda
   A. Minutes of 5/18/2017 Library Board meeting
   B. Bills
   C. Financial Statement and Treasurer’s Report from May 2017
IV. Public Comment
V. Communications
   A. Press coverage
   B. MLA Weekly Newsletter, May 18, 2017
   C. MLA Weekly Newsletter, May 25, 2017
   D. MLA Weekly Newsletter, June 1, 2017
   E. MLA Weekly Newsletter, June 8, 2017
VI. Director’s Report
   A. Library news and activities
   B. Usage reports
   C. Advocacy news
VII. Old Business
   A. Unique Management update
   B. LO Antique Sign restoration
   C. Meeting with Orion Township Treasurer
VIII. Standing Committee Reports
   A. Policy – report from meeting on 6/12/17
   B. Finance
   C. Fund Development
   D. Board Development – article
   E. Building – report from meeting on 6/12/17
   F. Human Resources
   G. Strategic Planning – status update
IX. Discussion Items
   A. New sculpture donation
X. Action Items
XI. Public Comment
XII. Trustee Comments
XIII. Adjournment
1) Call to order @ 6:48pm

2) Agenda, approved as amended: moved by Abramczyk/Quinn

3) Consent Agenda: moved by Abramczyk/Quinn
   a) Minutes from last meeting
   b) Bills
   c) Financial reports

4) Financial Statement and Treasurer’s Report (Quarterly)

5) Call to the Public - none

6) Communications
   a) Good press continues
   b) Letter from Foster Swift to be filed with no action

Director’s report
   c) Circulation reported down 6%
   d) Hoopla usage continues to rise along with the related expense.
   e) Staff & Library News
   f) Friends of the Library - Visit to Poland event was their largest in terms of both attendance and profit. Proceeds are planned to be directed towards the Teen Room.

7) Old Business

8) Standing Committee reports
a) Policy – 5/8/17 minutes reviewed and amended
b) Finance - none
c) Fund Development – a $300 donation was received.
d) Board Development -
e) Building – Ingram room HVAC research continues. Water detection system presented.

9) Ad Hoc Committee Reports
   a) Strategic Planning – survey work continues
   b) Technology - none
   c) Human Resources - none

10) Discussion Items
    a) Antique sign restoration project reviewed
    b) A meeting is to be scheduled with the Township Treasurer

11) Action Items
    a) LSTA Grant application presented to apply for program materials for programs being developed to provide various programs for developmentally challenged teens and adults Moved by Abramczkk/Quinn approved
    b) Board directs Director Knox to meet with Township Treasurer and our Auditor to discuss governmental budgeting

12) New Meetings Scheduled
    a) none

13) Questions from the Public

14) Trustee comments

15) Adjournment at 7:50 p.m.

James Phillips
Secretary, Board of Trustees
Orion Township Public Library
### BILLS - MAY 1, 2017 TO MAY 31, 2017

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**Grand Total**

|               | 68,185.53  | 0.00   |
**Orion Township Public Library**  
*For the Five Months Ending May 31, 2017*

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### For the Five Months Ending May 31, 2017

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* Change in value until the investment reaches maturity
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Summer Reading Club Kickoff at the Orion Library

Outdoor fun for the whole family!
By Becky Bolin (Patch Contributor) - June 5, 2017 10:14 am ET

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For more information about the 2017 Summer Reading program visit the Orion Township Public Library at 825 Joslyn Road, Lake Orion, MI 48362, orionlibrary.org or call 248.693.3000. The library is open 9:30a-9:00p Monday through Thursday and 9:30a-5:00p Friday and Saturday.

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Orion Township Public Library offers Michigan Activity Pass (MAP)

Beginning May 24, members of the Orion Township Public Library can print a free one-day pass, either at home or at the library, at michiganactivitypass.info, which can be used at any of Michigan’s 102 state parks or 138 state forest campgrounds. The program also offers free or discounted admission to 170 historical and cultural destinations in Michigan.

The Michigan Activity Pass, celebrating its 10-year-anniversary, is offered through MI Big Green Gym, a collaboration between Blue Cross, mParks and the DNR. It encourages Michigan residents to use state parks and recreation areas to be active in support of a healthier lifestyle.

"The recreational opportunities available throughout Michigan are incredible and offer activities for everyone," said Karen Knox, Orion Library director. "The Orion Library is proud to participate in this program to provide our residents with free or discounted access to these valuable organizations."

You can “check out” one pass every seven days with your library card, and only passes printed from the MAP website can be redeemed at MAP destinations. No photocopies are accepted. Some cultural partners offer complimentary or reduced-price admission, others offer discounts in their gift shop, or other exclusive offers for MAP pass-holders only.

For more information on the MAP program visit orionlibrary.org or call 248-693-3000.
Paddlepalooza ... continued from page 1

one of my favorites,” exclaimed Mayor Bryan K. Barnett. “We let Mayor McDaniel have the last win. I look forward to kicking it into high gear and taking back that first place trophy.”

This year’s event offers three activities to choose from: a two-person canoe race to River Crest; a single kayak race; or an adventure river paddle. The races and river paddle all conclude near the patio at the River Crest Banquet Center, where lunch will be served and awards presented from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Prizes will be awarded for each race class and participants will receive lunch and an event shirt.

“Paddlepalooza is a high-energy event that keeps people coming back,” said Auburn Hills Parks & Recreation Director Brian Marzolf.

“The Clinton River adds to the sense of community by connecting our two cities and neighborhoods, and improves the quality of life for residents and visitors.”

The registration fee is $20, and participants are encouraged to pre-register. The event is not recommended for beginner paddlers. Participants must be 12 years of age and paddlers under 18 must be accompanied by an adult. Personal flotation devices are required. The rain date is June 18.

For waiver and registration forms and more details, visit www.auburnhills.org, www.rochesterhills.org or call the Auburn Hills Parks & Recreation Department at 248-370-8303.

New Bookbike at Orion Township Public Library

Be on the lookout for the Orion Township Public Library’s (OTPL) new Bookbike this spring and summer at community events and other venues. The OTPL Bookbike will be full of books and much more.

“We have wanted to purchase a Bookbike for the library for a long time,” said Beth Sheridan, head of Adult Services.

Due to generous donations we finally could make it happen.

The OTPL Bookbike will make appearances around the community offering library services including books for checkout (with a library card), free library swag, and information about other library activities and online resources.

A library staff member will be responsible for riding the OTPL Bookbike, but the library would also like to have adult volunteers to ride along on their own bikes.

If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Lori at lmorris@orionlibrary.org or 248-693-3000 x335.

Strike up support for Sammy Calhoun May 21

In the wee hours of New Year’s Eve, what should have been a routine drive home from a late night movie turned into a life altering moment for Oxford resident Samantha (Sammy) Calhoun. A speeding drunk driver, who was traveling the wrong way on the northbound lane of M-24, hit the 19-year-old Oxford Twp. woman.

Her Durango was hit broadside, causing it to flip and catch fire. Thankfully, Dr. John Ditchman and David Weithman were standing at the scene. They cut her seat belt and pulled her out of the burning vehicle. Four months later, Sammy is in therapy five days a week for three hours a day. She still has many bridges to cross. To that end, the community has organized a fund raiser to help her reach the goal of a full recovery. We are pleased to say that her heroes will be present. For more information, visit Facebook at Strike Up Support for Sammy Calhoun.

The event will take place May 21 at 5:30 p.m. at Classic Lanes, located at 2146 Avon Industrial Drive in Rochester Hills.

For tickets, visit https://www.eventbrite.com/e/strike-up-support-for-sammy-calhoun-tickets-32125357202.
Orion Township Public Library offers summer reading kickoff, MIActivity Pass

By Susan Carroll

On June 10 from 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. the Orion Township Public Library will host their annual Summer Reading Club Kickoff.

Registration is open to everyone for the Summer Reading Club - Build a Better World! Music, food and creative projects will be on hand at the kickoff. All family members are encouraged to sign up in person or online at orionlibrary.org/summer-reading.

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Families will be able to enjoy outdoor fun and activities, food, a DJ and creative projects.

The library also now offers their cardholders the ability to print a free one-day Michigan Activity Pass (MAP) michiganactivitypass.info.

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A free pass can be printed once every seven days at the library or from the MAP website, michiganactivitypass.info. Photocopies are not allowed.

For more information about these or any other library program, visit the Orion Township Public Library at 825 Joslyn Road, or call 248-693-5000.

The library is open from 9:30 a.m. - 9 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 9:30 a.m. - 5 p.m. Friday and Saturday.

The Orion Twp. Public Library Summer Reading Kickoff features reading programs and fun and games for the family, including food, music and a bounce house. Photos courtesy of OTPL.

C-PUB At Canterbury Village

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Student artists recognized at 19th annual Joan Brace Scholarship awards ceremony

By Jim Newell  
Review Editor

The Orion Art Center held the 19th annual Joan Brace Art Scholarship Awards on Thursday, recognizing area high school seniors for their artistic accomplishments.

The ceremony at the Orion Township Public Library featured works from 41 entries, mostly from Lake Orion High School students.

“This show really surprised me with the wonderful entrants we had this year, with the talent they had,” said Orion Art Center Executive Director Janice Price. “All of the artwork was exceptional this year, not only the variety, but the maturity and they displayed a real affinity for design.”

The students’ art will be on display at the library through the end of the month.

“Just about everybody who comes in to look at the work has wonderful things to say,” Price said.

Mike Hendrix, a local artisan and graduate of Lake Orion, judged the competition.

“It was so difficult because there are so many good pieces here. What makes it hard is that you would like everybody to get a ribbon,” Hendrix said. “For me, judging had a lot to do with the time that was put into (the artwork). I could see the time they put into a particular piece. I can appreciate the hard work.”

First place and a $750 scholarship went to Maya Niedeck of Clarkston High School for her scratch board drawing, “Strength.”

Gretchen Altenberger’s colored pencil self-portrait, “Sophrosyne,” earned her second place and a $500 scholarship. Altenberger is a Notre Dame Prep School student.

Ethan Pestano of Lake Orion High School took third place and a $250 scholarship for his digital artwork, “Floating Away.”

Both honorable mentions went to Lake Orion seniors: Hunter Waldoop for his photograph, “32 Coupe”; and Julie Geurin for her watercolor painting of “Baxter.”

Niedeck submitted three works, each a pencil drawing on scratchboard. Hendrix said he was “amazed at how time-consuming it must have been for each piece. And they are extremely well done.”

In awarding first place to Niedeck for her work “Strength,” Hendrix said, “A lot of the students, I could give them tips, but this one – I can’t improve upon it.”

The Joan Brace Art Scholarship recognizes high school seniors for their artistic achievements. Brace was a painter, sculptor, print maker, musician and poet who was one of the early founders of the Orion Art Center.

She continued teaching at the Art Center after her retirement from teaching at Avondale High School. The Art Center created the scholarship in her honor.

“She was certainly one of our biggest benefactors,” Price said.
Puppet Show
Monday, May 8 @ 10:00a
Our famous puppet theater will feature some new stories with lots of puppets for lots of fun! All ages welcome!

Gone With the Wind: From Bestseller to Blockbuster
Monday, May 8 @ 7:00p
Special Memorabilia Preview @ 6:30p
Expert Kathleen Mochiacci will share information about the author and how she came to write her novel, how it got published, and became a bestseller, and how the movie rights were acquired and the movie produced.

Mother’s Day Craft
Wednesday, May 10 @ 10:00a
Hear a special story then be creative with the child and make a special craft for a special mom. Ages 2 and up; drop in, limit 25

Friends Spring Gently Used Book Sale
Thursday, May 4 & 6 @ 10:00a-3:00p
Friends Members: 9:00a Wednesday, May 3 & 5 @ 10:00a-3:00p
Open to the General Public Thursday, May 4 & 6 @ 10:00a-3:00p
All Books Half Off Saturday, May 20 @ 10:00a-2:00p
Bag of Books Day: Fill the Bag provided by the Friends for $1

Pick Up STEAM - Shapes
Thursday, May 11 @ 10:00a
Pick Up STEAM is a preschool-friendly science, math, and learning series. Enjoy fun experiments, crafts, and math all centered on a variety of fun shapes. Ages 3-6; drop in, limit 25

All About Colors
Wednesday, May 17 @ 10:00a
Listen to a story and learn about color with music, art, and play activities. Ages 2-5; drop in, limit 20

Pizza & Paperbacks for Teens
Wednesday, May 17 @ 7:00p
Celebrate the movie release of Everything, Everything and discuss the popular novel by Nicola Yoon. A copy of the book will be given to the first 5 teens who arrive! Pizza will be served. Registration required at orionlibrary.org/calendar.

Baby & Me Play Time
Thursday, May 18 @ 10:00p
A special time for babies and caregivers to play together and make new friends. Infant to walking with caregiver, drop in

North Oakland Genealogy Society (NOGS) Meeting
Thursday, May 18 @ 7:00p
NOGS purpose is to promote and encourage interest in genealogical research, and they invite anyone from beginners to experienced researchers to attend!

Royal Toddler Dance Party
Tuesday, May 23 @ 10:00a
Show off your dance moves with our groovy tunes! Filled with story time favorites and new jams to enjoy. Dress as the royalty that you are and don't forget your dancing shoes! Ages 1-6; drop in
State Rep John Reilly Open Office Hours in Lake Orion May 22

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(EVENT page)

Lake Orion, MI State Rep. John Reilly of Oakland Township will host open office hours on Monday, May 22 at the Orion Township Public Library, 825 Joslyn Road in Lake Orion from 5 to 6:30 p.m.

“People deserve an open and accountable state government,” Rep. Reilly said. “I look forward to listening and finding out what issues are important to people.”

No appointment is necessary. Those unable to attend may contact Rep. Reilly at 517-373-1798 or via email at JohnReilly@house.mi.gov.

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Closed Sundays

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Summer TableTop Game Day
Saturday, July 8, 11:00a-4:00p

Gamers of all ages and skill levels are welcome to drop in and enjoy a wide variety of board games, card games, and more!

Harry Potter Day
Saturday, July 29, 10:00a-4:30p

All ages can come and celebrate the magic of the wizard world with snacks, crafts, activities, and a movie! Come in costume for a chance to win a special prize.

Summer Reading Finale
Saturday, August 12 @ 11:00a

All ages are welcome for Jason Abbott the Magician followed by the Grand Prize Drawings for youth participants of the Summer Reading Program.

For more program details or to register, visit orionlibrary.org/calendar

ORION ART CENTER PRESENTS

Lake Orion's Got Talent Camp
Students will enjoy a week of exploring the world of theater and nature, focusing on the different aspects of creativity involved in a professional theater production. The camp will be a blend of instructional opportunities that will make great friends and memories. The camp will be 5 days long.

July 24-28 • 9:00a-4:00p
$150; Post Camp care available 4:00p-6:00p for additional fee.
Boys & Girls Ages 8 & up

Location: Orion Art Studio at Moose Tree,
3191 W. Clarkston Rd. (On the Webber School Grounds)
Maximum of 30 students

New Phone Extensions
Please note that a new phone system has been installed and all the extension numbers have changed. Here are the main extension numbers for each department:

Supervisor – 1000
Clerk – 4001
Treasurer – 8000
Building - 6000
Building & Grounds – 3000
Community Programs - 3500
Fire – 2000
Planning & Zoning – 5000
Public Works - 7000
Orion Township Public Library Rides Into Events With New Bookbike

With a riding trail behind them, an extensive volunteer base beside them, and a calendar full of community events ahead, Orion Township Public Library (OTPL) in Michigan saw an opportunity to deliver services in a unique new way this spring. In May, they introduced their new pedal-powered mobile library—a Bookbike!

Sparked by hearing about other libraries that used Bookbikes for their outreach efforts, Executive Director Karen Knox and Beth Sheridan, Head of Adult Services set out to determine how they could get a Bookbike ready to roll.

“It wasn’t in the budget,” said Sheridan. “So we began by trying to raise the money through fundraising, proposals, and grants. We received several online donations to start. Then a generous donor came forward to provide the rest.”

After researching many options, they chose Icicle Tricycles, a commercial cargo bike builder out of Portland, OR, to create and customize the bike. In April, the 7-speed trike arrived fully constructed and equipped with a book box, reinforced folding frame, and umbrella holsters. Library staff added interior shelves to hold up to 60 books and library information and resources.

Through a handful of community appearances, the Bookbike has already gained good traction. A staff member is scheduled to ride the bike and volunteers ride along on their own bikes to assist them at each event. When the bike is not in use elsewhere, it is prominently parked in the library lobby.

“It has been so well received,” said Knox. “We have seen numerous likes and interactions on social media and it is prompting people to ask questions outside of the library, particularly those who likely wouldn’t have asked otherwise. It is really doing great things for awareness.”
With a wireless hotspot on board, the Bookbike now serves as an instant extension to OTPL’s checkout desk. Staff connects to their ILS through the Polaris Web Application, enabling them to issue new library cards and check out books right from a tablet or any mobile device.

“We see a lot of kids and parents together when we are out in parks. The bike really attracts their attention and makes it so easy for us to reach out to them,” said Knox. “They simply need to show an ID to check out a book. That’s all there is to it. We have issued so many new library cards this way.”

Candy, library swag, and donated books make the Bookbike even more appealing. Donated books are especially popular giveaway items. OTPL asks that patrons donate these books back to a library or drop them in the closest little free library in the community.

OTPL sees a lot of value in driving public interest through relevance and location. “We shelve different books according to the event or location we plan to visit,” said Sheridan. “For instance, if we’re at the flower fair, we pull books on gardening. And we like to keep books on hand about healthy living, as that correlates to the bike, too. It is an easy way to tap into what is going on in the community and build relationships with the people and organizations around us.”

The library sees great potential for the Bookbike in the months and years ahead. They look forward to exploring possibilities through their chamber of commerce, school campuses, and participating in largely populated events, like local parades.

Knox said the Bookbike can be an important catalyst for any library committed to expanding services and awareness, with careful forethought and research. “Will you have volunteer availability? Will the bike be reliable? How do you entice and train staff? Seeing the bike in person and how it works would also be helpful to the process. There was certainly a lot to think about up front. We also considered our strategic planning before making this decision. We are very happy to see how well the Bookbike contributes to our plan.”

For more information on the OTPL Bookbike, visit orionlibrary.org.
**Orion Area Chamber of Commerce**

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**Events & Fundraisers**

**Summer Reading Kickoff**
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**Guest House Golf Classic**
Monday, June 12th, registration begins at 9 am. Continuing a 32-year tradition, the Guest House Golf Classic will take place at beautiful Oakhurst Golf and Country Club in Clarkston. The day includes a shotgun start (4-person scramble), grilled lunch and 18 holes of golf on one of Michigan's exceptional private courses. After a day on the links, golfers will enjoy a delicious dinner, golf awards, raffles and silent auction. More information on the [event page](#).

**Clergy, Cops and Beer**
Saturday, June 17th from 11 am to 10 pm. Downtown Lake Orion on Flint Street in front of Lockhart's BBQ Lake Orion. Beer, Bands and really good food. Better yet, it all goes to benefit a great cause as you support the community assistance programs of the Lake Orion United Methodist Church and the Lake Orion Police Association.

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Events & Fundraisers

Gently Used Book Sale
Come browse the thousands of books available at the spring gently used book sale hosted by the Friends of the Orion Township Library.
Tuesday, May 16 is Member Day
Wednesday, May 17 & Thursday, May 18 open to the public
Friday, May 19 is half-off day
Saturday, May 20 is bag day, pay just $5 per bag - bag is provided by the Friends.

Love INC 10th Anniversary Gala
Friday, May 19th, 6 pm at King's Court Castle at Canterbury Village. Love INC of North Oakland County is celebrating its first decade! Come celebrate with us at our 10th Anniversary Gala! Evening includes buffet dinner, cash bar, live music and silent auction. See the event page for more information.

Guest House Run Over Addiction
Guest House is hosting the third annual Run Over Addiction 5K Run/Walk on Saturday, May 20th. The scenic course starts on the campus of Guest House, joins up with the Polly Ann Trail, and ends in a photo-worthy finish at historic Scripps Mansion.

Oakland Christian School Preschool and Kindergarten Information Meeting
Monday, May 22nd, 6 - 7 pm. Learn more about the many programs we offer for Preschool and Kindergarten including our Spanish Immersion programs. More information here.

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**Orion Township Public Library to Summer Reading Kickoff**

Are you coming? Here are some photos from last year's kickoff, and many of these activities will be back this year! See you Saturday, June 10th!

11Lori Morris, Lisa Branon and 9 others

**Orion Township Public Library** added an event.

Join us at our annual Summer Reading Kickoff! There will be fun activities for the all ages including a bounce house provided by Oakland County Parks, Henna tattoos, Family Fun Tent featuring LEGO blocks from Brick It Up, and a special guest! Hope to see you there!

**Summer Reading Kickoff**

Sat 11 AM · Orion Township Public Library · Lake Orion
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CommentShare
For the month of June, artwork by the Orion Art Center's instructors is on display in the library lobby. Stop on by and see these beautiful pieces!

Kids at Pick up STEAM - Water had lots of fun experimenting with and learning about water. If you missed it, your 3-6 year old can learn about bubbles at our final Pick up STEAM program of the summer on Thursday, August 17 @ 10:00a.
We have a plane again! Our lobby is soaring once more with this replica hanging in the skylight. Thanks to the Skymasters who came in this morning to help it take to the skies! ✈️✈️✈️

Tenzing is the fourth child to finish 1000 Books Before Kindergarten. Since he still has over a year until he starts kindergarten, he's going to keep reading and see if he can make it to 2000 books!

Woah, awesome job!

Congratulations Tenzing!
A group of students from PHASES visited today, where they heard a story and were taken on a tour of the library. PHASES is an adult program within Lake Orion schools where students learn daily living and work skills. Knowing and using resources in the community is one of their daily living skills, and the students chose the library as a place they wanted to visit!
**Orion Township Public Library** was live.
May 23 at 10:42am -

The Royal Toddler Dance Party was a ton of fun! Thanks for coming!

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**Linda Pannuto** 0:37 What fun!

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**Orion Township Public Library** was live.
May 23 at 10:14am -

A live look into our Royal Toddler Dance Party 🎉🎉🎉

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**Lisa Russell** 0:00 How fun 😊
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**Orion Township Public Library**
May 22 at 5:58pm -

Sometimes our puppets come back a little tuckered out from being checked out. It's a good thing Ms. Lisa is a certified puppet nurse!

Love
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Chronological
28You, Lori Morris, Lisa Russell and 25 others

Comments
**PeterLinda Dirks** Lisa this is too cute!
**Linda Pannuto** Thanks Lisa for the great job you do keeping our puppets looking and feeling good!
Orion Township Public Library attending Healthy Body, Healthy Mind Expo - 2017 at Waldon Middle School.
May 20 at 12:43pm ·

Set up and ready to go! Come by our Orion Library table at Waldon Middle School this afternoon for the Chamber's Healthy Body, Healthy Mind Expo!

3Beth Blubaugh Sheridan and 2 others

Orion Township Public Library added 4 new photos to the album: Book Sale May 17.
May 18 at 6:48pm ·

Our Friends of the Library Book Sale is open until 8:30 tonight, runs 10-4:30 tomorrow, and concludes with Bag Day on Saturday, 10-2! There are so many great reads in this room!!!

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Orion Township Public Library added 7 new photos.
May 17 at 1:55pm ·

Preschool-age kids had a great time learning All About Colors this morning at our first play-based storytime of the summer! The fun continues on Wednesday, June 7 @10:00a with Over in the Ocean.

CommentShare
7Suzanne Radabaugh, Lisa Russell and 5 others
The National Junior Honor Society students from Oakview visited us this morning for their Day of Service. This talented group created unique bookmarks that will be available on our new Bookbike!

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Comment  Share
11 Lori Morris and 10 others

Help us plan the future of the Orion Library! Take the strategic planning survey at the kiosk in our lobby, take a paper copy, or go to the website www.orionlibrary.org/survey. You can enter to win a $25 gift card! You can take the survey until the end of the month.

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Lori Morris, our Volunteer Coordinator, presented a plaque to Jacob Barnard at the Eagle Scout Court of Honor on Saturday. One of Jacob's service projects was a redesign of our amphitheater behind the library two years ago. It's a great place for outdoor storytime or to have a picnic! Congratulations, Jacob!

29 Lori Morris, Mike Morris and 27 others
1 share
Melissa McCullough  Great job Jacob!!!
Michaeline T. Mills  Congratulations
Stop by and visit us at our Orion Library table at the Chamber Health Expo this Saturday!

Beautiful day for the Flower Fair in downtown Lake Orion! Come visit us at the Orion Library display and see our new Bookbike!
The Orion Library was proud to honor some of our outstanding teen volunteers at the Orion Area Youth Assistance Awards on Wednesday, May 10th. Volunteer Coordinator Lori Morris was there to recognize them for all of their efforts to make the library and its many programs and events such a success! Congratulations to the following teens: Elizabeth Choi, Lena Wuensch, Andrea Findley, Carrie Ciarelli, Sydney Divozzo, Mia Merrell, Larissa Verley, Derek Dungan, Brianna Dungan, Rachel Yim and Nicholas Jermolenko!
Orion Township Public Library

May 6 at 5:43pm ·

A big thank you to Detroit Comics and Megan M. for donating kid-friendly titles to our Free Comic Book Day! If you're in the Ferndale area today, Detroit Comics is also participating in Free Comic Book Day until 8:00pm.

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Orion Township Public Library added 10 photos and 3 videos.

May 6 at 4:57pm ·

We had so much fun at Star Wars Day today! Thank you all who participated!

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9Lori Morris and 8 others
Dear Karen,

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

Executive Summit Early Bird Rates Expire Tomorrow

Friday, June 2, 2017
9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Location:
Ann Arbor District Library: Downtown
343 S. 5th Ave
Ann Arbor, MI 48107

Register today!

What's next? This year MLA Executive Summit explores the future. Looking ahead, we know that there will be more elderly and more children in secondary schools. Baby boomers are downsizing and relocating. What does that mean to our neighborhoods? How will immigration make an impact? Join MLA on Friday, June 2 for this valuable one-day event designed to engage library leaders at the top or on their way to the top. Anyone looking to broaden their perspective should attend!

More Information
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10:00 - 11:00 a.m.

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Join us as we continue the conversation on HR matters, with topics including:

- Social media - do's and don'ts
- Right to work
- Millennials

Presented by Helen Lizzie Mills, Fahey Schultz Burzych Rhodes PLC

More Information

MLA Interest Groups

Connect with your fellow library professionals about topics important to you! By participating in an Interest Group you can:

- explore networking opportunities with colleagues
- engage with others to discuss problems and find solutions
- keep current on trending topics
- share resources and materials with colleagues
- develop leadership skills
- create knowledge resources
- lead MLA into the future.

To view or join available Interest Groups visit
www.milibraries.org/membership/interest-groups

Survey: Awareness of Professional Ethics

Invitation from ALA's Committee on Professional Ethics Chair Sara Dallas to participate in a survey designed to examine the awareness of professional ethics and principles within the LIS profession.

www.surveymonkey.com/r/professionalethicsawareness

The deadline to complete the survey is May 23, 2017.
**Last Call to Register for the Hybrid Librarian Workshop**

**Friday, May 19, 2017**
8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

**Location:**
Capital Area District Library - Downtown Lansing
401 S. Capitol Ave
Lansing, MI 48933

**Register Today!**

The Hybrid Librarian Workshop is offering an experience that will blend collaboration, communication, creativity, critical thinking and flexibility.

Engage with your colleagues while participating in strategic thinking exercises and immersing yourself in Design Think situations. Be inspired to flex your creative leadership skills with experienced leadership coaches. At the end of the day you will leave ready to explore your inner hybrid librarian.

**More Information**

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**Advocacy Alert: #SaveIMLS**

Tomorrow is the deadline for the Senate “Dear Appropriator” letters to support FY 2018 funding for the Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) and the Innovative Approaches to Literacy (IAL) program. Between LSTA and IAL, $213 million in current federal library funding is at risk.

Visit ALA’s Legislative Action Center for everything you need to identify your Senators and to tell him or her to sign the LSTA and IAL “Dear Appropriator” letters being circulated to protect both of these critical programs in the FY 2018 federal budget.

Not sure what LSTA and IAL are all about? Visit District Dispatch for more background information.

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**Library Workforce Development Scholarships for Fall 2017 at Wayne State SLIS**

Wayne State University’s School of Library and Information Science is offering Library Workforce Development "first class" scholarships to paraprofessional employees of libraries beginning their MLIS degrees in Fall 2017. The scholarship will pay tuition for their first class as MLIS students (approximately $2200). Students are required to register for a minimum of two classes in their first semester to receive this tuition award - additional financial aid may be needed.

Library paraprofessionals from across North America are encouraged to apply. Applications are due by July 1, 2017.
For further details and to apply, please go to http://slis.wayne.edu/library_workforce_development_scholarship_2017.php

Call for Proposals: Idea Exchange

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Interested in submitting an Idea Exchange project proposal? Visit the MLA website to fill out the form.

Proposals are due June 19.

Library SOUP Accepting Proposals

Back by popular demand, Library SOUP will be held during the MLA 2017 Annual Conference on Thursday, October 19, 2017.

Library SOUP is a micro grant funding event that can secure money for innovative projects your library might not be able to afford. Think of it as a go-fund-me project where your peers will vote for the winning project idea.

Don't miss your opportunity to win funding for your library project. Submit a proposal today!

Submissions will be accepted through June 19.

Visit the MLA website for more information and to submit a proposal.

Essential Arrival-Michigan's 21st Century Indian Immigrants

Here is an interesting documentary from a U-M Dearborn professor that may be of interest to libraries: http://www.imdb.com/video/wab/vi561032473/
LLAMA Webinar: Evidence-based Advocacy at the National, State and Local Levels

The Library Leadership and Management Association (LLAMA) will present "Evidence-based Advocacy at the National, State and Local Levels," on Wed., June 7, at 1:30 - 3:00 pm (Central time). Discover how evidence-based advocacy can help your library and how it can be applied on a national, state and local level for all types of libraries.

Presenters: Lisa Hinchliffe, Professor, University of Illinois, Urbana, IL; Bob Dugan, Dean of Libraries, University of West Florida, Pensacola, FL

Register online: [http://tinyurl.com/3zhtecm](http://tinyurl.com/3zhtecm)

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Free Webinars Sponsored by the MCDA

- **NIS Health Insurance partnership with the Michigan Library Association with Brian Mitchell.** [View the recording here.](#)
- Parliamentary Procedure and Running Effective Board Meetings with Anne Seurynck, Tuesday, May 23rd, 11:00 a.m.
- Human Resource (HR) Issues in Library Environments with Brian Mortimore, Thursday, June 8th, 10:00 a.m.
- Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) - Understanding the law with Anne Seurynck, Tuesday, June 13th, 11:00 a.m.

For more information and to register visit: [mml.org/workshops](http://www.mml.org/workshops)

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**Librarian of the Year Award Nomination Deadline: June 1**

Do you know a Michigan library professional who deserves recognition for their hard work, achievements and accomplishments? Let's celebrate them together. Nominate a deserving colleague for the 2017 MLA Librarian of the Year Award to be recognized at the MLA 2017 Annual Conference this October 18-20 in Lansing.

The deadline to submit a nomination is **June 1**.

Access complete information and download the nomination form from the [MLA website](http://www.milibraries.org). Completed nomination packets can be submitted to MLA@milibraries.org

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Michigan Library Association  |  MLA@milibraries.org  |  [http://www.milibraries.org](http://www.milibraries.org)
3410 Belle Chase Way, Ste. 100
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.

**MPSERS Debate Continues**

Folks in Lansing are focused on passing a state budget. However, disagreement over two bills HB 4647 and SB 401 seem to be holding up the process. The legislation replaces the Michigan Public School Employees' Retirement System or MPSERS hybrid system. According to a MIRS report, the new 401(k) would mirror the current plan for state employees, which is an automatic employer contribution of 4 percent of the employees' salary plus a 100 percent matching contribution up to 3 percent for a total of 10 percent. The House Fiscal Agency projects this sweetened 401(k) and paying the upfront costs connected with the unfunded liability would cost $21.7 billion over 40 years.

Opinions vary due to the complexity of the issue. MLA is following the discussion since some librarians are covered under the MPSERS plan. Watch for more information as details unfold.

**Important Information on Library Exemptions from Tax Capture**

MLA spearheaded legislation, signed into law in January, that provides libraries with relief from the burden of tax capture. SB 619-624, now Public Acts 505-510 mean millions of future tax dollars will go to our libraries.

The new laws exempt any library millage approved by voters after January 1, 2017 from capture by any Downtown Development Authority, Local Development Financing Authority, Water Resource Improvement Tax Increment Finance Authority, Tax Increment Finance Authority, Corridor Improvement Authority and Historical Neighborhood Tax Increment Finance Authority. With respect to library millages approved before January 1, 2017, the existing millages would be exempt from capture if there are no outstanding bonds or obligations.

Important: Continue reading for information on automatic and opt out exemptions.
Technical Bills

We continue our work on a technical bill package that would clarify language regarding the exemptions. The bills continue through the drafting process as we identify any necessary changes. The technical package SB 305-310 will likely have a hearing in the Senate Tax Policy committee in early fall. To avoid any possible challenges to your library’s tax capture exemption, you should continue to take action to proactively opt out of a new capture if that is your board’s decision. That includes a board resolution and letter to the tax capture authority within 60 days of notification of a meeting.

These accomplishments are a tremendous first step and our work continues on this important issue. Libraries were the only special millage to receive an exemption. After decades of hard work on this issue, the legislature and the governor recognized the importance of library funding. When you meet with your legislators, be sure to thank them again for their support.

Please feel free contact me with questions. Some libraries may need to consult their attorney.

Disclaimer: This is not legal advice. It is for informational purposes only. If you have legal or technical questions, please consult your library's attorney for guidance.
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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**Tuesday, June 13, 2017**

10:00 - 11:00 a.m.

**Register Now**

For all libraries, regardless of the number of employees, personnel administration is critical to the success of the institution and the services provided to citizens.

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- Right to work
- Millennials

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Submit your best ideas for a chance to participate in this new show and share event. Spots are limited! Visit the MLA website to submit your Idea Exchange proposal.

Last Call for Registrations
Executive Summit is tomorrow, but there’s still time to register! [Click here to register now!]

**Tomorrow, Friday, June 2, 2017**
8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

**Location:**
Ann Arbor District Library: Downtown
343 S. 5th Ave
Ann Arbor, MI 48107

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**Project Outcome User Experiences & Lessons Learned Webinar**

The webinar, Project Outcome User Experiences & Lessons Learned, will provide an opportunity for interested parties to gain valuable insight from peer libraries who were among the first to use Project Outcome. These panelists will describe their experiences using the survey and tools, and how they have used Project Outcome to implement performance measurement programs that fit the specific needs of their libraries. The webinar will be held Thursday, June 15, at 2:00 - 3:00 p.m. (Eastern). Participation is free, but registration is required and space is limited.

[Register here.](http://www.milibraries.org/events/executive-summit2017)

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**Join an MLA Interest Group**

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- Academic Libraries
- Intellectual Freedom
- Library Administration
- Public Programming
- Rural Libraries
- Youth Services

Not seeing a group that meets your needs? Check out the procedures for starting a new Interest Group here: www.milibraries.org/membership/interest-groups/interest-group-procedures

Assist a project Mapping Movement-Based Programming in Public Libraries

Assist with a project to map the current state of movement-based programming in Michigan's public libraries

View results from a survey tracking Michigan movement-based library programming and update with additions or retractions here: www.letsmovelibraries.org/map/Michigan/

The Let's Move in Libraries project is focused on understanding how public libraries create opportunities for individuals of all ages and abilities to move and be active.

Upcoming ALA Workshops

How to Transform Your Library on a Shoestring Budget
For more information visit: www.ala.org/news/member-news/2017/05/new-workshop-how-transform-your-library-shoestring-budget

Fake News, Real Concerns: Developing Information Literate Students
For more information visit: www.ala.org/news/member-news/2017/05/new-workshop-fake-news-real-concerns-developing-information-literate-students

MLA Annual Conference 2017 Registration is Open!

October 18-20, 2017
Lansing Center, Lansing, Michigan

Registration for the MLA 2017 Annual Conference is now open! MLA invites you to escape the ordinary and join us for the premier educational and networking event for Michigan Library Professionals.

Visit our website to get a first look at what this year's conference has to offer including renowned keynote speakers, a wide selection of jury-selected programming topics relevant to all library professionals, an exhibition and fun events and networking opportunities that offer an ideal environment to meet-up with colleagues and expand your network.

Fall will be here before you know it! Take advantage of early bird rates AND reserve your spot in an MLA Escape Room by registering today!
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: 6/30/2018
Visit the MLA website to renew your membership or update your profile (login required).

President's Update

This is the last column I am writing as President of MLA, so I am going to wax philosophical.

"People say that what we're all seeking is a meaning for life. I don't think that's what we're really seeking. I think that what we're seeking is an experience of being alive, so that our life experiences on the purely physical plane will have resonances with our own innermost being and reality, so that we actually feel the rapture of being alive." - Joseph Campbell 1904-1987

"Understanding the world better often entails going against intuition. If this were not the case, understanding would be easy." - Reality is Not What It Seems by Carlo Rovelli

My recent readings have included the book by Rovelli cited above and the works and interviews by and with Joseph Campbell, who is most noted for his book Hero with a
Thousand Faces and many more on comparative religions and mythology as well as his Power of Myth television interviews with Bill Moyers in the 1980s, which are still referenced and available today. Campbell was a compelling writer and interviewee. Rovelli is a theoretical physicist who, through beautiful narrative, leads the reader to be awestruck by the universe and the world of physics.

Both Campbell and Rovelli challenge conventional thinking with enthusiasm. Their passion is contagious and delightful.

From the Executive Director's Desk

Demographics and the Library as Civic Focal Point

Once the preferred home of the middle class, the suburbs of America's largest metropolitan areas now have more poor people living in them than do their inner cities. Between 2000 and 2013, the number of people living below the poverty line in the suburbs grew by 66%. While this is just one of many changing faces of our American landscape, there are several shifts impacting Michigan's future.

Last Friday at the MLA Executive Summit, State Demographer Eric Guthrie gave an overview of what we can expect Michigan to look like in the coming years. Migration will be the deciding growth factor for Michigan's population but immigration could play a role as well. One startling statistic is the fact that the median level of education in Michigan is completion of high school.

Realtor Scott Griffith talked about real estate values and trends. As the baby boomers downsize and move to walkable cities, they are competing for the same housing demanded by millennials. This is leading to both increased housing prices and demand in our cities. The suburbs, however, may not be as attractive as buyers can't afford or don't desire those larger homes. If those homes in the suburbs don't have buyers and their values go down, so does your tax base.

After digesting facts and figures, I talked about applying this forecasting data to your current or future strategic plan. One thing is certain. Change is upon us and library planning must be flexible, fluid and adaptable. It is essential that libraries increase their social and economic resilience to meet demographic changes. This means incorporating a holistic vision and view of the library.

What the data tells us is that we will need to adapt everything from our service delivery systems and technology to library design and collection development to meet the needs of a changing community.

Support School Libraries - Contact MI Legislators About ESSA Accountability
The Michigan Department of Education is close to making a final decision on how it will implement Every Student Succeeds Act's (ESSA) accountability requirement. There were three options in the plan submitted to the US DOE.

MAME recommends that our legislators choose option 1 or 2 which will provide the most visibility for the community on school library staffing.

To ensure that school library staffing information is accessible to school communities, MAME needs school library supporters to contact their legislators to ask them to support either option 1 or option 2 in MDE's ESSA Accountability Plan.

**If the legislature does not take action by June 30, MDE will default to Option 3.**

To reach out to your legislators:

http://www.senate.michigan.gov/fysbyaddress.html
http://www.house.mi.gov/mhrpublic/

Sample text for message to Michigan Legislators:

I am writing / calling to ask you to support Option 1 or Option 2 of the options given for MDE's Accountability Plan under ESSA. I believe that one of these two options will incentivize school districts to make positive change for the students in our state. These options will also provide more transparency to parents and the community at large. Action must be taken by June 30th or the Accountability Plan will default to Option 3.

View the plan overview here: Michigan's Approach to the Every Student Succeeds Act: Overview of Michigan's Consolidated State Plan
The new OTPL Bookbike was on the road for 5 days in May, and we estimate that we spoke to 120 people at those events. Overall, the Bookbike is well-received by the community, and we look forward to sharing more about it throughout the summer.

The library kicked off May with a family-friendly event on May 6 for Star Wars Day and Free Comic Book Day. Programming lasted all day long for all ages. We had 382 people come by the library for the festivities, and we gave away 167 free comic books.

After the last board meeting, staff hired LaVere Webster to work on the antique Lake Orion sign. He will be doing the restoration work at the Library, beginning on Wednesday, June 7.

The installation of our local history museum-style exhibit started this week as well. They ran into a few issues, so the work continues, as I write this report, but should be in (I hope!) by the board meeting.

In addition, Adult Services offered: 4 Book Discussions (24), 5 Needle Arts (19), 5 Tech help (17), Orion Historical Society meeting (8), and Gone with the Wind program (13).

Outreach Services offered: 11 Computer Classes at the Orion Center (11), 5 ESL Conversation Groups (21), 2 Quilting Groups (9), LONC programming (40), Senior Book Bunch (8), 3 Heritage Place programs (24), 9 Next Chapter Book Clubs (75), and a Silverbell program (9).

Teen Services offered: 2 Geek Clubs (20) and Pizza and Paperbacks (5).

In the Youth Department, we now have 153 children registered for the 1000 Books before Kindergarten program, with 4 children having completed the program. In addition, the Children’s Book Week celebrated the first week in May was very successful. Children enjoyed the Shredded Book Contest (27) and the Scavenger Hunt (79) throughout the week. The Fairy Tale Friday (48) program was very well attended. Other programming included a Puppet Show (34), Mother’s Day Crafts (41), Baby Play Day (2), RoyalToddler Dance Party (29), Lego (18), Pick up STEAM – Shapes (24), 5 Doggone Readers (17), All About Colors (31), and Project Kidsight (9). We also had a visit from our Phases group of special needs adults (15). Youth department staff did 5 school visits to the elementary schools in May, reaching 591 students. They also fulfilled 20 ThinkLink book requests.
The library was closed on May 27 and 29 for the Memorial Day holiday weekend.

We hired an additional hourly librarian, Alice Cruz (previous employee) who began work on June 2. We have a posting out for a new shelver, due to a current employee heading off to college this fall.

Partnering with the Skymasters Club, our library lobby is home once again to a model airplane hanging from our skylight.

We installed water sensors in strategic locations around the building to alert Mike if the building were to sense water on the floor where it doesn’t belong.

We will be kicking off Summer Reading this Saturday, June 10 from 11a to 2p. This year’s theme is Build a Better World. All are welcome!

In case you haven’t seen it, the May/June ONTV show, Orion @ Your Library, is available here: [https://youtu.be/Heow0z2wmwI](https://youtu.be/Heow0z2wmwI).

Strategic Planning has continued, with our planning retreat day on June 3. Many staff and board members gathered to brainstorm ideas and provide input into our new plan. More details will be provided at the board meeting for discussion.

The Friends held their latest Board Meeting on May 22 with their newly elected board. Unfortunately, their Secretary had to resign her position as she is moving to Detroit. So they are still in need of a Secretary and a Membership Chair. At the meeting, they presented me with a check for $10,000 from their Passport to Spring fundraising to go towards upgrading the technology in the Teen Room. Kathleen is going to be purchasing items for this over the summer. The Friends also had their May Book Sale, which was successful. They are planning for their Friends Member Night, which will be on Tuesday, October 17.

Reminders and other notable upcoming events for the Library:

- June 10 – Summer Reading Kickoff, 11a-2p
- June 12 – Orion Historical Society, 7p
- June 14 – OTPL Team Trivia, 7:30p @ C-Pub
- June 24 – World Cuisine with Chef Ming, 1:30p and 3p
- June 29 – Phone, Mail, and e-Scams, 6:30p
- June 29, July 6 & July 13 – Outdoor Yoga, 6:30p
- July 4 – Library Closed for Independence Day holiday
- July 8 – Summer TableTop Game Day, 11a-4p
WE'D LIKE TO KNOW.......

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

I just took your on-line survey (spent real time trying to be specific). I thought I completed it & walked away. I realized that I had not recognized the Friends of the Library for their phenomenal work— including the Gently Used Bookstore & DVD sales, the semi-annual book sales, & their fund-raising basket auction & evening gala.

I must be brain dead today. I'm so sorry.

Name Anne Loftus  e-mail loftusm.ann@yahoocom
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www.orionlibrary.org

You needn't respond to me.
Thank you to the elves who rearranged furniture. I no longer feel like Edith Anne sitting in chairs that are too big for me. There now seem to be lots more seating arrangements for short people (in a variety of locations). To mix my metaphors, I now have many potential places to sit that are just right while I read the Sunday Times.

Name: Anne Loftus  
e-mail: lofturm, anne@yahoo.com

Address: 150 Orion Rd #133 Lake Orion 48362
Any chance that "we" could subscribe to The Nation??

(I think "we" used to.) In the last year I have repeatedly read references to articles that have appeared there.

Name: Anne Loftus
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Does anyone remember to say how much they appreciate the job that your cleaning & maintenance staffs do? Given the amount of foot traffic, the number of hours you're open, this place is astounding.

P.S. I'm like the 3-year-old I met this week: This man told me that this library is his "favorite place to go." Me too. You do a great job & I'm now through commenting (until the next time!)

So we may respond, please print clearly.

Name: Anne Loftus e-mail: 
Address: 

Orion Township Public Library, 825 Joslyn Road, Lake Orion, MI 48362 248/693-3000 www.orionlibrary.org
June 6, 2017

Anne Loftus

Dear Anne:

Thank you for taking the time to submit both thoughtful comment cards and the online survey. Your input is important to us and that survey was instrumental in collecting public feedback while working on our strategic plan for the next 4 years.

The Friends of the Library do so much for the Library and provide needed funds for programming. Thank you for recognizing all the exceptional work they do. They will be happy to hear that you voiced your appreciation.

It is always nice to hear positive comments from our patrons, especially in gratitude of our staff and the services that they provide to the community. I’ll be sure to let them (especially the maintenance staff) know that you wrote such a kind note.

We will consider your request to subscribe to The Nation. It is a relatively costly subscription, so we will have to review our budget to see if we can add this title. It is always good to know what our patrons are interested in reading!

Thanks again for your thoughtful comment, and thank you for using the Orion Township Public Library.

Sincerely,

Karen Knox
Director
WE'D LIKE TO KNOW.......  

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

Would be nice to have a text message sent the day before books are due!

Name: Cynthia Lawson
Address: 224 Barrington Circle. L. Orion

e-mail: no email

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June 6, 2017

Cynthia Lawsen
224 Barrington Circle
Lake Orion, MI

Dear Cynthia:

Thank you for taking the time to complete a comment card at the Orion Township Public Library. Your input is important to us!

There are two ways to get a text message alert before checked out materials are due back at the library. You can provide us with your cell phone number and carrier and we can change your preferences in your account. You can also set this up on your own by logging into your account online and selecting this option under account preferences – contact information. Please feel free to ask a staff member for more assistance or let me know if you would like us to set this up for you.

I hope this helps. Please feel free to submit additional comment cards, and thank you for using the Orion Township Public Library.

Sincerely,

Karen Knox
Director
In the past two weeks, the staff helped me with a computer problem and rasterizing a document.

I just love all the services you are able to provide.

Name: Ruth Barr  e-mail: RABAREO1@AOL.COM
Address: P.O. Box 210333, Auburn Hills, MI 48321 (MAIl)
         2734 Brown St, Orion Twp (Home)

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Dear Ruth:

Thank you for taking the time to complete a comment card at the Orion Township Public Library. Your input is important to us!

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Thanks again for your thoughtful comment, and thank you for using the Orion Township Public Library.

Sincerely,

Karen Knox
Director
Dear Director of Orion Township Public Library,

We just want to show appreciation to this library. We often come to this library and enjoy the books, toys, and the friendly environment. It's also a surprising pleasant experience here because you have a Chinese staff—Lilian Strasser, she often helps my mum to use the wifi and other resources here since my mum only speak Chinese and also I have to watch the baby around. As a senior patron who doesn't speak English, my mum is really thankful for this excellent service in your library. All the best.

Min Parker

Name Min Parker e-mail tjsusan@hotmail.com

Address 624 North Blocki Ct, Lake Orion, MI

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6-2-2017
June 6, 2017

Dear Min:

Thank you for taking the time to complete a comment card at the Orion Township Public Library. Your input is important to us!

It is always nice to hear positive comments from our patrons, especially in appreciation of our staff and the services that they provide to the community. I’ll be sure to let Lilian know that you wrote such a kind note on her behalf.

Thanks again for your thoughtful comment, and thank you for using the Orion Township Public Library.

Sincerely,

Karen Knox
Director
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Please buy little shopping carts for older people to get around the library.

Name: Elizabeth Hoogendam  e-mail: lieverdusa@sbcglobal.net
Address: 1003 Inca Trail, L.O.

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Elisabeth Hoogendoorn

Dear Elisabeth:

Thank you for taking the time to complete a comment card at the Orion Township Public Library. Your input, ideas and suggestions are important to us!

We like to make appropriate accommodations for all of our patrons. The library does have a walker with a seat and a wheelchair available for any patron who needs them, both of which were donated to the library for patron use. We do not have any small shopping carts at this time, but will consider your suggestion and see if we can get some in the future. Feel free to talk to staff if you need assistance in the meantime.

Thanks for your thoughtful suggestion, and thank you for using the Orion Township Public Library.

Sincerely,

Karen Knox
Director
### Statistical Report - Usage for the month of May 2017

#### Circulation

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<td>365</td>
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<td>Hoopla</td>
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<td>Items borrowed</td>
<td>674</td>
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<td>Items loaned</td>
<td>1,174</td>
<td>593</td>
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<td>Total Circulation</td>
<td>37,286</td>
<td>36,814</td>
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#### Number of Items in our Collection

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<td>Audio (physical)</td>
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<td>Video</td>
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<td>E-audiobooks</td>
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<td>Other</td>
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<td>Total Items</td>
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#### Number of Library Card Holders

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<td>Residents</td>
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<td>29,048</td>
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<td>Non-Residents</td>
<td>9,176</td>
<td>8,847</td>
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<td>New Registrations</td>
<td>219</td>
<td>273</td>
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<td>Total Card Holders</td>
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<td>Meeting Room bookings (public)</td>
<td>102</td>
<td>98</td>
<td>529</td>
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<td># Programs for adults</td>
<td>50</td>
<td>51</td>
<td>255</td>
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<td># Programs for children</td>
<td>19</td>
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<td># School visits for Think Link</td>
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<td>Program attendance for children</td>
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<td>Program attendance for teens</td>
<td>319</td>
<td>306</td>
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<td>Attendance school visits Think Link</td>
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#### Technology Usage Statistics

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<td>Computer signups</td>
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<td>Wireless users</td>
<td>1,180</td>
<td>910</td>
<td>5,604</td>
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<td>Web site hits - desktop users</td>
<td>11,037</td>
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<td>Web site hits - mobile users</td>
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#### Other Usage Statistics

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<td># Visitors to Main Library</td>
<td>14,573</td>
<td>15,428</td>
<td>76,159</td>
<td>81,476</td>
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<td># Visitors to Orion Center branch</td>
<td>243</td>
<td>0</td>
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<td># Volunteer hours</td>
<td>426</td>
<td>405</td>
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<td># Notarized documents</td>
<td>45</td>
<td>24</td>
<td>205</td>
<td>211</td>
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<td># Think Link requests for books</td>
<td>21</td>
<td>24</td>
<td>91</td>
<td>119</td>
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Unexpected Ways Libraries Save People Money

Yes, library users save by borrowing items, taking free online classes, and attending fascinating events, but that’s far from all. Though the following experiences are not at all uncommon for librarians, my conversations with regular people (even library patrons) have shown me that, to them, what happens on a daily basis at a public library is often a mystery. I am sharing these examples as just a few ways libraries benefit people in ways you may not have considered.

My name may not be Geico, but this weekend, I saved one elderly lady money on her car insurance. She came in bearing a mailer from AAA and asking for help getting on the computer so she could complete a driver training course, which wouldn’t work on her iPad.

After getting her online, we went to the AAA website and tried to login only to find out that she had already created an account—a year ago. The proliferation of passwords is one of the needling difficulties of digi-
tal life, a fact we face daily at the library. We clicked “Reset Password”, but she did not know her email password. Her disappointment was obvious. Okay, I said, maybe you can get your iPad and we can retrieve the reset email from there! Don't worry, I'll be here to help you when you get back.

30 minutes later, she returned with her iPad, we got her password, filled out the necessary online forms, and were in! One training later, she walked out of the library with a lower auto insurance payment and a big smile. She also gave me her email address so she could be notified the next time the library offers computer classes. She'll be a great student!

2 —

They say that information is power, but if that is so, then information literacy is the code by which that power is activated. Edward (*not his real name), is a retired lawyer and mediator. After a few years of retirement, he became interested in returning to mediation, a practice he loved.

Edward used the library computers to create an updated resume and began combing the web for job leads. One day, he signed up for time in our study room to do a phone interview. As he told me more about it, my ears perked up. This job seemed a little too good, so I asked for more information, and checked out the firm’s website. Be careful, I told Edward, and explained why. He nodded and thanked me.

As it happens, my hunch turned out to be correct, the “interview” quickly became a sales presentation, and the work offer? Nothing more than a pitch to be listed on their site. Pay them (a lot) up-front, and hope it will pay off with clients. Unlikely, I told Edward. Though libraries regularly have classes about fraud prevention and other consumer affairs topics, the skills to critically assess claims found online (and off), even those that aren’t technically fraudulent, are vital for saving money. Edward will find work, but he won’t go broke doing it.

3 —

Financial lives are often shaped at an early age; parents and other role models are expected to teach and demonstrate personal finance skills to
their kids, but we know that it doesn't always happen. Schools teach basic financial literacy, but many people aren't aware that many libraries also do their part.

With the growth of services for teens and young adults over the last 30 years, teen services librarians have stepped up to bring finance education to their service population. “At public libraries across the country, adult services, business, reference, teen, and children’s librarians are stepping up to guide people to resources and programs about budgeting, avoiding scams, investing for retirement, repairing credit, and making informed decisions about managing money...” writes Margaret Monsour in the *Public Libraries Online* article “Libraries Innovate with New Financial Programs”. But don’t take Ms. Monsour’s word for it, a simple Google News search reveals countless other examples like the “Thinking Money” exhibit at the Saratoga (CA.) Library, which pairs an exhibit with interactive activities and panel discussion led by award-winning radio host and journalist Thuy Vu.

These library initiatives are important. They provide a kick-start into responsible financial lives for the youth in their communities. The outcomes of these workshops, panels, classes, and exhibits is not one, but countless stories, mirroring the many unexpected ways libraries save people money.


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