Orion Township Public Library Board of Trustees
Meeting Agenda
Thursday, November 16, 2017
6:30 p.m. – Library Conference Room

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

I. Call to order
II. Approval of agenda
III. Closed session
IV. Consent agenda
   A. Minutes of 10/19/2017 Library Board meeting
   B. Bills
   C. Financial Statement and Treasurer’s Report from October 2017
V. Public Comment
VI. Communications
   A. Press coverage
   B. MLA Weekly Newsletter, October 19, 2017
   C. MLA Weekly Newsletter, October 26, 2017
   D. MLA Weekly Newsletter, November 2, 2017
   E. MLA Weekly Newsletter, November 9, 2017
VII. Director’s Report
   A. Library news and activities
   B. Usage reports
   C. Advocacy news
VIII. Old Business
   A. New sculpture update
IX. Standing Committee Reports
   A. Policy – report from meeting on 11/10/17
   B. Finance – update on 2017 budget
   C. Fund Development
   D. Board Development – Mike Luna
   E. Building
   F. Human Resources
   G. Strategic Planning – report from meetings on revenue w/township and on 11/10/17
   H. Director Evaluation – report from meeting on 11/10/17
X. Discussion Items
   A. Board officer positions
   B. Trustee Conflict of Interest Disclosure updates
   C. Trustee Commitment Form update
XI. Action Items
   A. Public policy updates
   B. 2017 Budget Revisions
   C. 2018 In-Service Date, Library Closed: October 5, 2018
   D. Director evaluation
   E. Appointment of officers
XII. Public Comment
XIII. Trustee Comments
XIV. Adjournment
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1) Call to order at 6:39 p.m.

2) Approval of agenda. Motion to approve the agenda as presented by Abramczyk / Pergeau. Motion carries.

3) Consent Agenda as presented: Motion to approve the consent agenda as presented by Abramczyk / Pergeau. Motion carries.
   a) Minutes from last meeting 9/28/17 Library Board meeting
   b) Bills

   i) Penal Fines better than budgeted. Donation income exceeded budget by over $16,000.
   ii) Discussion occurred regarding Penal Fines and the recent method of assessing/collecting.

5) Public Comment - None

6) Communications
   a) Press coverage –
      i) Discussed MLA and reduction of Penal Fines, Tax Recapture and election timing

7) Director’s report
   a) Report on file
   b) Strategic plan was presented to various governmental entities and was well received with inquiries and interest.

8) Old Business
   a) Unique Management quarterly update: Began with Unique Management after Labor Day 2016. Through the month of September: $12,804 in cash received, Paid $6,138 to use the Unique Management thus far plus over $6,000 of materials returned.
9) Standing Committee Report –
   a) Policy Report –
      A few minor sentences and wording changes have been made; nothing of material significance.
   b) Finance –
      Set meeting for 2017 Budget revisions for review in November Trustee meeting.
      Friday, November 10th at 10 a.m.
   c) Fund Development –
      None
   d) Board Development –
      a. Top Library Tech Trends presented by Jim Abramczyk. Great ideas on implementing technology ideas with the library.
      b. Luna to present discussion topic next month.
      c. Quinn discussed the USA Today article regarding the top jobs in jeopardy of being eliminated in the future. Librarian was on the list. Advocacy is important to continue the viability of professionals like Librarians.
   e) Building
      None
   f) Human Resources –
   g) Ad Hoc Committee Reports
      Strategic Planning – Set meeting 9 a.m. 11/10/17.
      10/24/17 10:30 a.m. at Orion Twp Hall – Oakland County and Orion Township. Orion Township Property Tax Revenue discussion.
      Director evaluation – This was recently performed in February. Set meeting 8:30 a.m. on 11/10/17.
   h) Advocacy – None.

10) Discussion Items
    MLA Conference – Thorndycraft discussed the conference and the keynote speaker. Tax Capture Bills, Penal Fines.
    Top 5 library policies were discussed. Policies are more challenged by patrons. Decision to review the slides and determine, upon review, if a formal meeting is necessary.

11) Action Items
    a) 2018 Calendar of Library Closings - Motion by Luna to accept the Calendar as presented, supported by Pergeau. No further discussion. Motion passes.

12) New meetings scheduled at the OTPL
    a) Property Tax Revenue discussion (if available to attend) – 10/24/17 10:30 a.m. at Orion Twp Hall
b) Director evaluation – 11/10/17 at 8:30 a.m.

c) Strategic Planning – 11/10/17 at 9:00 a.m.

d) Finance Committee – 11/10/17 at 10:00 a.m.

13) Questions from the Public – None

14) Trustee comments

15) Adjournment at 8:39 p.m.

Mike Luna
Secretary, Board of Trustees
Orion Township Public Library
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* Change in value until the investment reaches maturity
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International Games Day @ Your Library

Celebrate at the Orion Library!

By Becky Bolin (Patch Contributor) - Updated Nov 1, 2017 12:17 pm ET

Come to the Orion Library on Saturday, November 4 from 11:00a to 4:00p and celebrate the end of International Games Week with our big TableTop Game Day! There will be games for all ages and abilities for you to enjoy. Feel free to bring a game from home to share! The Orion Library is located at 825 Joslyn Rd in Lake Orion.
Community Corner

Halloween Stories & Parade at the OTPL

Parade through the library!
By Becky Bolin (Patch Contributor) - Updated Oct 30, 2017 10:39 am ET

Wear your costume and join us at the Orion Library on Tuesday, October 31 at 10:00a for stories, then march through the library to participate in the Halloween parade! The library is located at 825 Joslyn Rd in Lake Orion. All ages welcome!
Please join us on a special Doggone Readers day at the Orion Library on Saturday, October 28! We will have 4-8 dogs from Canine Academy dressed up for HALLOWEEN and eager to hear stories read to them. Children in grades K-5 can drop in any time between 1:00p and 4:00p. The library is located at 825 Joslyn Rd in Lake Orion.
The Orion Township Public Library has partnered with the C-Pub to host trivia nights on Wednesday, November 8 and Wednesday, December 13 at 7:30p. **Call 248.693.3001 to register your team of 2-6 people.** There is a limit of 10 teams per night. Gift cards to the C-Pub will be awarded to the top three teams along with a trophy and future bragging rights for the first place team!

The C-Pub is located at Canterbury Village at 2325 Joslyn Rd in Lake Orion.
Haunted House at the Orion Library

Family-friendly Haunted House!

By Becky Bolin (Patch Contributor) - Updated Oct 23, 2017 1:18 pm ET

Drop in if you dare for the Orion Library's annual kid-friendly haunted house put on by teen volunteers! The haunted house is open Monday, October 23 through Thursday, October 26 from 6:00p to 8:00p. The Orion Library is located at 825 Joslyn Rd in Lake Orion.
Twin calves, Calvin (Batman) and Camille (Batgirl), age 5, take their cats for a walk.

Lola, the pink princess of the second grade class at Carpenter Elementary, enjoys cider and donuts at the Children's Park gazebo after the Halloween Parade.

Too cute to be a monster — One-and-a-half-year-old Audrina takes a break from the parade to enjoy a sucker. (Sigh) The fruits of her labor after a hard day trick-or-treating.

Photos by Susan Carroll & Jim Newell

Left: Madeleine, 5, with her sister, Brooke, 4, and their mother, Christine, enjoy cider and donuts in Children's Park after the parade.

7:20 pm: Atlas, 5, with his brothers, Thomas (Lions football player) and Max (dressed as a gecko), and aunt Megan and grandpa Tom Miller, wait with DOA Director Molly Lalone (blue hat) for the parade to start.

(Below) Orion Twp. Library Outreach Services Clerk Monica Zaleski pedaled The Bookmobile during the parade. How clever! Little Red Riding Hood actually riding.

Orion Twp: Library Outreach Services Clerk Monica Zaleski pedaled The Bookmobile during the parade.

How clever! Little Red Riding Hood actually riding.

Sisters Layla (left), as Princess Leia, and Carys, as the princess, are young ladies in white. Too adorable.

Is that another superhero on that bike, armed with the power of knowledge? It surely is, Cape Crusader.
**Around Town**

**A Calendar of Places to Go, People to See and Things to Do**

*Children had a great time at the Bean Bash put on by the Dawn Syndromes Guild Saturday. Photos provided.*

**General Federation of Women’s Clubs Lake Orion meets Thursday, Nov. 9, 1-4pm, Orion Library, 285 Joslyn Rd. Join a group of civic-minded women that unite in service projects that enhance lives of others as well as improving our community. For more information call: 248-393-1005.

**Free Community Narcolepsy Training 7-9pm Nov. 9, Woodside Bible Church (inside Canterbury Village), 2510 Joslyn Rd. Join a support group for parents of transgender youth held 1st Tuesday of month at the Administration Building, 315 N. Lapeer St, downtown L.O. November meeting is: Nov. 8, 29.

**Stand with Trans Support Group for parents of transgender youth held 1st Tuesday of month, Nov. 7, 7-8:30pm at St. Mary’s In-The-Ghills Episcopal Church, 2512 Joslyn Ct, L.O. 248-393-8493.

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**Pottery & Potson Create a beautiful clay sculpture, 6-9pm Nov. 10, prepare wood & clay tiles; 7-8pm Nov. 17, put creation together. Cost: $50. Moose Tree, 3191 Clarkson Rd, L.O. Sign up on ronartcenter.com

**Oxford/Orion FISH needs volunteers on the 2nd Saturday of every month at the food pantry, 487 First St, Oxford, from 10am-noon. Call 248-628-3933 if you can help.

**Project Kindsight 1am-noon on 2nd Saturday of month, Orion Library, 285 Joslyn Rd. Bring your kids for a free eye screening. The Lions Club takes a picture of your child’s eyes with a special camera and gives you a report about their eyes to take to an eye doctor for further evaluation.

**Veterans Day Ceremony 11am Nov. 11, Great Lakes National Cemetery, 4200 Belford Rd, Holly, Veterans, their families, friends and the general public invited to honor all who served in the armed forces.

**Free park entry at Oakland County parks Nov. 11 in honor of Veterans Day. Visitors can enjoy access to natural areas, trails, dog parks and all park amenities. Addison Oaks, 1480 W. Romeo Rd, Independence Oaks, 9501 Sashabaw Rd; Orion Oaks, 2301 W. Clarkson Rd, and Joslyn between Clarkson and Scripps. Hours are 30 minutes before sunrise to 30 minutes after sunset.

**Dog adoption day held every month 11am-3pm at Pet Stuffs Harvest Time, 1225 S. Lapeer Rd, Oxford. Loving dogs of all shapes and sizes looking to find a forever home. www.doggasaver.org/ostd

**Kathy Sandstorm Memorial Turkey Dinner Nov. 11, 4-6:30pm. Howarth UMC, 550 E. Silverbell, Lake Orion. Suggested donation: $13. 248-373-2360.

**No-shush prayer service Sunday, Nov. 12, 1pm. Christ the Redeemer Church, 2700 Waldon, L.O. Non-denominational prayer service for family members with special needs. Celebrate with music, instruments, and interactive Scripture stories. Children and adults of all abilities welcome. All are welcome to express their joy in their own individual and unique way.

**Baby'sitter Training 6-8:30pm Nov. 13, Orion Center, 133 Joslyn Rd. Learn skills needed to start your own babysitting business—such as meeting the family, setting appointments, age appropriate activities and safety instruction. Certification presented upon completion. Cost: $20. 248-391-0304 x303.

**Orion Historical Society meets Monday, Nov. 13, 7pm. Orion Library, 825 Joslyn Rd. Join the Orion Historical Society to learn about Orion Township’s history and work on projects to preserve the past.

**Knee High Naturalist Classes for 3-4yr olds Thursdays or Fridays 10-11:30am Seven Ponds Nature Center, 3854 Crawford Rd, Dryden. Hands-on learning through stories, games, crafts, hikes, treat. $7/child. Pre-registration required at 810-796-3200.

**Different Sam? Nov. 16 or 17

**The Mitten Dec. 14 or 15

**Live! From the Living Room—acoustic showcase 8am Fridays til Nov. 17. Held at Unity of Lake Orion, 3070 S. Baldwin Rd, near Waldon. Tickets: $10ea. Featuring different artists each week playing live music of folk, jazz, bluegrass, country and more.

**Calling all superheroes—10am-noon Nov. 18, come to Wint Nature Center, 9501 Sashabaw Rd, Clarkston, for a look at plants and animals of the woods that use superhero abilities such as invasibility, flight, “super tools” and more. All ages welcome. $5/person. 248-886-9196

**Holly Jolly Folks 6:30pm Dec 1, Golling Buck GMC, 1491 S. Lapeer Rd, L.O. Live entertainment, beer & wine, cash bar, silent auction, catered by Italia Gardens. $35/person. Tickets available at Golling. Benefits the Lighted Christmas Parade.

**Breakfast with the Grinch 11am-1pm Dec 2, Orion Center, 133 Joslyn St. Ages 1-8 can enjoy green eggs and ham with the Grinch, have picture taken with the Grinch, and enjoy How the Grinch Stole Christmas. Santa may stop by. $15/person. Call 248-391-0304 x305.

**Orion Lighted Christmas Parade 6pm Dec. 2, downtown Lake Orion. Santa will arrive.


**Paper Retrieval Bin on site at King of Kings Lutheran Church, 1715 S. Lapeer Rd, L.O. Attention Amazon Shoppers! If you use the following link: http://smile.amazon.com/ch/20-5190257, Amazon donates 0.5% of the purchase price to Love Inc Of North Oakland County.

**Make Select disappear. If you do not wish to receive the Select circular at the end of your driveway and can’t get the Free Press to stop delivering, contact John Money: 586-977-7722 or jmoney@nichigan.com

**Michigan Activity Pass. Orion Library cardholders can print free one-day pass from michiganactivitypass.info, which can be used for state parks, state forest campgrounds. Also, fee or discounted admission to several historical/cultural destinations.

**ONTV program guides for government, education, sports, public programming can be viewed at ontv.org

**Solutions for Loneliness. New groups for widowers, widows, divorced forging at the Orion Center, 1335 Joslyn Rd. Cards, fishing, board games, sports, golf, travel, reading, eating out, picnics, activities with grandchildren, volunteer opportunities, theatre, concerts, guest speakers, dating, boating, finding new friends who share your interests. If any of these are of interest, call Jackie: 248-393-8553.

**Leave name, phone number, and interests.


**Bingo Knights of Columbus Hall, 140 Orion Rd, L.O. Tuesdays 11am; Thursdays 6:30pm.

**Free Bingo Tuesdays 4:30-6:30pm. A chance to win a $100 Culver’s gift certificate, trivia, lots of prizes, spin the Culver’s Cruise wheel for Butter Buckets. Fun for the whole family. 248-276-2222.

**Kid’s night Wednesdays 4-9pm at Culver’s, corner of M-24/Dutton. $2.99 Kids’ meals, free custard. Carnival, balloons, prizes, more.

**Family Night Wednesdays 5-8pm at BW3’s, 770 N Lapeer Rd, L.O. $2.99 kids meals, free ice cream, magic and by Handigle.

**Trivia Night Wednesdays 7-9pm. G’s Pizza, 2775 S. Lapeer Rd, L.O. Enjoy $7 Flatbreads and $4 glasses of wine while you play.

**Orion Oxford Optimist Club meets 1st Thursdays of month, 7:30am at Times Square Restaurant (M-24 next to Kroger); 3rd Thursdays, 4:30pm: Orion Center, 1335 Joslyn: guest speakers, student recognition programs and promoting upcoming events. If you believe in the youth in our town and that they can really make a difference, get together with a positive group of people.

**NA Meetings 8-9pm nightly, L.O. United Methodist Church, 140 E. Flint St. Enter off Slater St.

**AA Meetings. Oxford Free Methodist Church, 790 S. Lapeer Rd. Monday night Men’s, 7-30pm. Thursday Night Open, 7-30pm.

**List events here FREE.***

**Email lakeorionreview@gmail.com**
**Lava Lip Gloss for Teens**
Monday, November 6 @ 7:00p
Join Camille Leinbach of Autumn Moon Aesthetics and learn the benefits of creating your own beauty products. Everyone will leave with a custom lava lamp lip gloss and sparkle lotion bar. Registration required at orionlibrary.org/calendar.

**Pick Up STEAM - Fall Science**
Friday, November 10 @ 10:00a
Enjoy preschool-friendly science, math, and learning with fun experiments and crafts all centered on FALL SCIENCE! Ages 3-6, drop in, limit 25

**World War I and America**
The Orion Township Public Library recently received a grant which marks the 100th anniversary of the nation's entry into the war in 1917. World War I and America’s principal objective is to bring veterans and their families together with the general public to explore the American experience of war and its role in shaping the contemporary world. We hope you can join us by attending any or all of the programs found at orionlibrary.org/ww1america.

**SAT Practice Exam**
Saturday, November 11 @ 10:00a
Sylvan Learning Center will give some quick tips and tricks about the SAT and then administer a full SAT practice exam. Please bring a snack and calculator. There is a $10 fee for the exam due that day. Register online at orionlibrary.org/calendar.

**Teen and Adult Makerspace**
Saturday, November 11 @ 11:00a
Create, invent, and learn with a variety of electronics, software, crafts, and tools for you to tinker with including a button maker, sewing machine, Sphero obstacle course, Cricut cutting machine, Little Bits, 3D doodle pens, and much more! The first 10 people will be provided with the supplies and instructions to complete a small, personalized surprise project.

**5th Grade Battle of the Books Kick-off**
Monday, November 13 @ 5:30p or 7:00p
5th graders, if you love good books and a good challenge, join the Battle of the Books! 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. For 5th graders, parents, & coaches forming battle teams, drop in online at orionlibrary.org/calendar.

**Orion Historical Society (OHS)**
Monday, November 13 @ 7:00p
Join the OHS to learn about our township’s history and work on projects to preserve the past.

**Friends Holiday Silent Basket Auction**
Saturday, November 11 - Saturday, December 2
Plan a visit to the library and bid on holiday baskets which 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! Contact the Friends at otlplfriends@gmail.com, or 248.693.3000 x350, if you would like to donate an item, book, or basket for the auction.

**Family Yoga**
Saturday, November 18 @ 10:00a
Join YMCA certified yoga instructor Sasha Salvador for a family-based yoga experience that will explore sequences, balance poses, and breathing techniques. Yoga mats will be provided. Gr K-5 with parents/guardian, drop in

**Mason Jar Snow Globes**
Monday, November 20 @ 6:00p
Make a homemade Mason jar snow globe - the perfect gift for any loved one! Most materials will be provided. Please bring a copy of a photo you would like to put inside the snow globe. Gr K-5, register online at orionlibrary.org/calendar, limit 24

**Upcoming Holiday Closings:**
Wednesday, November 22 - closing at 5:00p
Thursday, November 23
Friday, November 24

Happy Thanksgiving
General Federation of Women’s Clubs - LO hosts 99th annual district meeting

Three Lake Orion members received district awards

The General Federation of Women’s Clubs - Lake Orion hosted the 99th annual Southeastern District meeting and Puppy Shower Oct. 21 at the Orion Township Public Library.

The Lake Orion GFWC received awards for their scholarship program and report recording. Co-presidents Barbara Geppert and Sharon Collins and Secretary Renee’ Miron-Alimpich received individual recognitions.

Orion Township Supervisor Chris Barnett welcomed the fifty-five GFWC members from eight Southeast District clubs. Kathy Lewis, president of the Southeastern District, presided at the awards ceremony and luncheon.

Girl Scouts from Troop 43681 and Troop 74690 presented flags and led the pledges. Lewis also presented Velcro, a Labrador Retriever puppy being trained for Canine Companion for Independence. The clubs held a puppy shower for Velcro, and the SED is sponsoring and covering all expenses while Velcro is in training.

The General Federation of Women’s Clubs is an international, national and statewide active group dedicated to community improvement by enhancing the lives of others through volunteer service. The General Federation of Women’s Clubs Lake Orion was named Club of the Year out of the 50 clubs in the state of Michigan in 2014. The Lake Orion club has been in existence for 103 years and welcomes new and prospective members to its monthly meetings. For meeting information, call 248-693-7323.

For more information on the GFWC - LO, visit www.orionlibrary.org/gfwc.

New fitness center opens to the public at Indianwood Golf & Country Club

By Susan Carroll

Indianwood Golf and Country Club has a new recreational addition. The Family Fitness Center, located at 1081 Indianwood Rd. in Lake Orion, opened on Oct. 9.

Included in the membership is access, with key fob, 7 days a week, 365 days a year, from 5 a.m. - 9 p.m., to the state-of-the-art gym equipment.

Members will also have access to the pool, Tiki bar opening in 2018, upscale and casual dining, access to one of metro Detroit historic clubhouses, all social events at Indianwood, including a private fireworks show in late June, and several rounds of golf on the new course each year.

Annual memberships are $1,500, which includes all family-generated

Renee Miron-Alimpich, Chris Barnett and Jeanette Lacey at the GF WC district meeting Oct. 21.

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Full STEAM Ahead - Laws of Motion
Saturday, October 7 @ 11:00a
This is a new series for school age kids that focuses on science, technology, engineering, art and math. We will focus on Rules of Motion and create Lego mazes, marble runs, and roller coasters. Ages 7-12, drop in, limit 20

The Orion Library will be closed on Monday, October 9 for the entire day for a staff in-service. The library will reopen on Tuesday, October 10 at 9:30a.

Family Storytime: Royalty Day
Saturday, October 14 @ 11:00a
Dress up as your favorite royal and join us for some great stories, songs, and activities! All ages welcome!

Cheese Making
Saturday, October 14 @ 11:30a
Join Johnny Blast for a hands-on, family-friendly class that will walk you through the basic steps to making your own grade-A cheese. Tasty cheese samples will be included!

Stuffed Animal Taxidermy for Teens
Saturday, October 14 @ 2:00p
Bring your favorite stuffed animal or use a library provided stuffed animal, and mount it so you can keep it forever! All supplies provided. Registration required at orionlibrary.org/calendar.

Haunted House
Monday, October 23 through Thursday, October 26, 6:00p-8:00p
Drop in if you dare for the library’s annual, kid-friendly haunted house put on by teen volunteers!

PAW Patrol Storytime
Saturday, October 28 @ 11:00a
Join your favorite rescue pups for a great time of stories, songs, and fun! Come in your PAW Patrol gear if you have it. All ages welcome!

Doggone Readers Goes to the Dogs!
Saturday, October 28, 1:00p-4:00p
Please join us on a special Doggone Readers day! We will have 4-5 dogs from Canine Academy dressed up for Halloween and eager to hear stories read to them. This is a drop in program.

Dragon Award - Vote for Books!
Now - Tuesday, November 7
Read the five nominated chapter books and campaign for your favorite at orionlibrary.org. Starting the week of October 30, cast your vote online. The winner will be announced online November 8.

Friends Members Reception
Tuesday, October 17 @ 6:30p
The Friends are hosting a reception at the Orion Library featuring author Colette Taube Dywasuk, who will speak about her book Sixth of Twelve: A Memoir and her work as Orion Township Supervisor. The evening will feature musical performances by Allan & Donna Nahajewski, desserts, and door prizes. This is a “members only” event - not a current Friends member? Join or renew today at orionlibrary.org/friends or fill out an application in the lobby at the library.

Halloween Stories & Parade
Tuesday, October 31 @ 10:00a
Wear your costume and join us for stories, then march through the library to participate in our Halloween parade! All ages welcome!

International Games Day
Saturday, November 4, 11:00a-4:00p
Come celebrate the end of International Games Week with our big TableTop Game Day! We will have games for all ages and abilities for you to enjoy. Got a game at home you want to play with others? Feel free to bring it to share!

World War I and America
The Orion Township Public Library recently received a grant which marks the 100th anniversary of the nation’s entry into the war in 1917. World War I and America’s principal objective is to bring veterans and their families together with the general public to explore the American experience of war and its role in shaping the contemporary world. We hope you can join us by attending any or all of the programs found at orionlibrary.org/www1america.
Majewska pleads no contest to second-degree murders of son, granddaughter

By C.J. Carnacchio
Leader Editor

It appears Sylvia Marie Majewska will spend up to 25 years in prison for killing her son and granddaughter nearly three years ago.

On Oct. 4, the 66-year-old Addison Township resident pleaded no contest to two counts of second-degree murder in Oakland County Circuit Court before Judge Denise Langford Morris. Her sentencing is scheduled for 8:30 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 26.

Majewska was originally charged with the first-degree murders of her son Daryne Galiey, 29, of Oxford Township, and her 7-month-old granddaughter Charley Lillian Blount. Both were found dead on Nov. 23, 2014 inside Galiey’s home in Kintyre. Bunt force trauma to the head resulted in Hendrick’s demise, while Galiey’s throat was slashed, according to the Oakland County Medical Examiner’s Office.

Galiey was a 2003 Oxford High School graduate and a full-time clerk at the Kroger grocery store in Lake Orion, where he was well-known and loved by many folks.

Following his death, an estimated 400 to 450 people attended a memorial service for Galiey at Oxford Middle School. Those who attended fondly remembered Galiey as a proud father with an unshakable optimism, a helpful nature, a genuine concern for others and the ability to always see the best in everyone.

Galiey was developmentally disabled and Majewska had legal guardianship over him. Majewska was the only one able to explain the circumstances to his living room with a box cutter given she’s self-inflicted cuts and bleeding into a bucket. She was conscious and able to talk, but authorities said she wasn’t speaking coherently at the time.

The premeditated murder charges against Majewska were dismissed and replaced with second-degree charges as part of a Cobbs agreement for a 25-year sentence.

Based on the 1993 Michigan Supreme Court case People v. Cobbs, a Cobbs agreement (or plea) involves a judge making an agreement with a defendant regarding the sentence the court is likely to impose if the defendant pleads guilty or no contest. A judge can either be specific and tell the defendant a definite jail term or the judge can be vague and, for instance, indicate the defendant will be sentenced at the lower end of the sentencing guidelines. If for some reason, the court cannot abide by the Cobbs agreement, the defendant is legally entitled to withdraw his or her plea and proceed to trial, or enter into a new Cobbs agreement.

Under the Cobbs agreement for Majewska, she’s supposed to receive a 25-year sentence in exchange for her no-contest plea to the two counts of second-degree murder.

Her defense attorney, William Mitchell III, felt this was the best thing for his client given she’s “still fragile in terms of her emotions and psyche.”

“The possibility of a sentence of life without the possibility of parole is too harsh a gamble, so that’s where deals are made,” he said.

As part of the Cobbs agreement, Mitchell will have an opportunity to argue for a sentence that’s less than 25 years.

“I have a number in mind, but I’m not going to share it at this time,” he said.

Mitchell believes “there certainly was room for a jury to get to second-degree” in this case. “I really don’t think that first-degree was a lock for the prosecutor,” he said.

He also believes that “depending upon how (the jury) assessed some of the other aspects of the case, a not-guilty (verdict) was not out of the question.”

That’s because Mitchell contends there to be some medical reason that was not identified that caused Majewska to kill her son and granddaughter, then “try to kill herself.” He said he’s “100 percent sure that at the time . . . whatever was going on (in Majewska’s mind and body) was responsible”.

Otherwise, it “doesn’t make sense” to Mitchell, given everything he claims Majewska did to ensure her disabled son became a “functioning member of society” who earned a living and was well-liked by others.

When it comes to the doctors finding no mental illness or medical conditions that affected Majewska’s mental stability at the time of the murders, Mitchell said, “I respectfully disagree with that.”

“I just think doctors missed something here,” he said. “I’m not a doctor, but I know that you don’t have a person who chooses so drastically in her personality or her demeanor without something having happened.”

“That’s the part that I think even the prosecutors have to acknowledge is something that a juror would have to ponder. You have to wonder why that happened,” Mitchell continued. “The human mind is something that doctors are still trying to figure out . . . Even for them there are things that are unexplained,” the attorney noted.

In December 2014, 52-3 District Court Judge Lisa Asadoorian ordered that Majewska be placed in the state’s Center for Forensic Psychiatry in Saline for evaluation on the issues of competency and criminal responsibility. She was treated at the 210-bed psychiatric facility for about a year and was finally deemed competent to stand trial at a Feb. 29, 2016 hearing in district court.

According to Mitchell, Majewska has “no memory” of the killings. She is aware of what happened and the attorney noted “it is always an emotional moment for her.”

Paul T. Walton, the county’s chief assistant prosecutor, did not return phone calls seeking comment about the case.

Orion Historical Society seeks news members, offers free t-shirt

The Orion Historical Society is offering a free t-shirt for new and renewed memberships in the society until the end of the year. The membership will last through Dec. 31, 2018. An individual membership costs $25. A family membership runs $35 and includes two t-shirts. A student wishing to join is charged $15. Additional shirts are also available for $20 each.

The t-shirt is a gray short sleeve shirt and has a depiction of the amusement park that used to be on Park Island. The shirt is available in sizes small, medium, large, XL, 2X, 3X and is made of 100 percent cotton.

Those wishing to join OHIS and receive their free shirt should contact Jeff Sutherland at 248-493-2064. He can also be reached by email at jsutherland2@comcast.net.

The Orion Historical Society was founded in 1994 as a community organization dedicated to the preservation of Orion’s legacy. Join the Orion Historical Society to learn about Orion’s history and work on projects to preserve the past. Their meetings are typically held on the second Monday of the month from 7-8:30 p.m. at the Orion Township Library, 825 Jocelyn Rd. November’s meeting, however, will be held at 7 p.m. at the Clasman Pub in Canterbury Village, 2325 Jocelyn Rd. — J.O.
Former Orion Township supervisor pens memoir about growing up as a woman in the 40s

By Monica Drake, The Oakland Press

Sunday, October 22, 2017

In the years after her decision not to run for re-election, former Orion Township Supervisor Colette Dywasuk accomplished one of the hardest things she’s ever done — she wrote a memoir.

Dywasuk served as supervisor from 1996 to 2000 — a 70-hour a week job that she said was “time-consuming, extremely satisfying, and used all of my talents.”

“After serving my four-year term, I decided not to run again because I felt absolutely compelled to write my book,” she said. “I never imagined the book would take me 15 years to complete.”

Dywasuk’s memoir “Sixth of Twelve” was published by Lakeside Publishers and, as the title suggests, tells of Dywasuk growing up as the sixth child in a Catholic family of 12 during the 1940s and early 1950s in Detroit.

“It is several stories in one — about relationships, about an era, about a city, and my story about growing up at a time and in a socio-economic atmosphere where a woman’s career was expected to be as a stay-at-home wife and mother. It is a story that needed to be told,” she said.

Dywasuk earned her bachelor’s degree in marketing and business management from Oakland University and her master’s in business administration from the University of Michigan. She worked in marketing and communications for almost 20 years and, during that time, she wrote two books with Harper & Row — “Adoption, Is It For You?” in 1973 and “Adoption And After” in 1974. After a long hiatus from writing, she decided to tell her family’s story with “Sixth of Twelve.”

“Writing the book took a great deal of self-motivation. … But I could never let it go,” she said.

A number of book clubs have selected Dywasuk’s memoir to read and invited her as a guest to their meeting.

“It is so interesting and so gratifying to sit down with readers and listen to their comments,” she said. “I am most delighted when a reader tells me he or she couldn’t put the book down, and that ‘Sixth of Twelve’ brings back happy memories of their own growing up years.”

For more information, visit www.sixthoftwelve.com.
Events & Fundraisers

Full listing of events and fundraisers can be found on our Calendar page.

The Gift of Stephen Fundraiser for Mental Health Counseling
The purpose of this fundraiser is to raise monies for people that need to be seen by a licensed mental health professional and do not have health insurance and cannot afford the out of pocket costs. The event is being put on by the Stephen Ministers of the Lake Orion United Methodist Church. Please see the event page for more information.

Veteran's Day Ceremony
Saturday, November 11, 11:00 am at the Orion Veteran's Memorial. All are welcome in honoring the military men and women of our Orion community and our nation who served and sacrificed their lives for our freedoms and liberties. They are our true heroes.

Holiday Basket Auction at the Orion Township Public Library
Visit the OTPL to bid on over 30 auction items perfect for holiday gift giving. Baskets are beautifully packaged and come with a book. Bid sheets will be collected at 4:30 PM on Saturday, December 2 and the winners notified soon after. All proceeds support library programming for all age groups. See the event page for dates and times.

Meadowbrook Ball Committee Fundraiser at Classic Lanes
November 11th, 2:00 - 5:00 pm, Classic Lanes, 2145 Avon Industrial Drive, Rochester, MI. More information on the event page.

BNI - North Oakland Business Associates
Networking meeting every Wednesday, 7:00 - 8:30 am at Buffalo Wild Wings. Visit the website for more information.
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Want to get YOUR event or fundraiser in the Monday Motivator? Log in to your online account and submit them today! Need help? Give us a call (248) 693-6300.

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Looking for a fun family outing this weekend? Then come to the Orion Library on Saturday, November 4 for International Games Day! Drop in any time between 11:00a and 4:00p and enjoy games for all ages and abilities. Feel free to bring a favorite game from home to share as well.

Calling all writers! Visit writemichigan.org for all the details and dates.

Our Guest Artist Wall for November features winners from the Orion Art Center’s 2017 Senior Photography Show, “The Artist’s Lens”. Take a moment to check out these beautiful photographs next time you’re at the library! Congratulations to the winners!
Orion Township Public Library added 9 new photos.
October 31 at 11:08am ·
Our annual Halloween Parade was a great success! So many cuties all dressed up, it was so much fun for everyone 😍

Orion Township Public Library was live.
October 31 at 10:17am ·
LIVE! From our Annual Halloween Costume Parade! Happy Halloween 🎃!

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Orion Township Public Library
October 30 at 6:41pm ·
3rd-5th Graders, the time has come! Have you read this year’s Dragon Award Nominees? If so go here: https://orionlibrary.org/youth/dragon-award/

You can vote for your favorite nominee until November 7th. Then check back here November 8th when we announce the 2017 Dragon Award Winner!

The Dragon Award - Orion Township Public Library

The Annual Dragon Award is given to the best chapter book as voted by Orion 3rd through 5th graders from a list of titles chosen by OTPL Youth Librarians.

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Orion Township Public Library added 20 new photos — at Orion Township Public Library.
October 28 at 4:53pm ·
Our youth department has so many awesome programs for all ages. Today we had Paw Patrol Storytime and Doggone Readers Goes to the Dogs. Lots of fun for the children and the dogs!

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Lynn Foss Awesome!!!

This Halloween is going to the dogs! Join us tomorrow for a Doggone Readers’ extravaganza! Dogs from the Canine Reading Academy will be all dressed up and eager to hear stories read to them. Drop in anytime between 1 and 4PM.

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3Suzanne Radabaugh and 2 others
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Governey My friend Eleanor would like to know if she can bring along her Rottweiler, Makara.
Orion Township Public Library added 2 new photos.
October 26 at 6:30pm
We love our Gardening Angels! Diane Anderson did an AWESOME job decorating our front entrance gardens for the season! Thanks, Diane!

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Lori Morris Our volunteers are terrific! Thanks for making such an impact at the library!

Orion Township Public Library added 3 new photos.
October 26 at 10:00am
New picture books this week make for some perfect bedtime reading!

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Orion Township Public Library added 6 new photos — at Downtown Lake Orion.
October 25 at 7:03pm · Lake Orion ·
Perfect night to lead the Halloween Parade with our Bookbike in downtown LO!

Orion Township Public Library
October 23 at 6:04pm ·
Sneak peak at one our super awesome teen volunteers getting ready for our Annual Kid-Friendly Haunted House! It’s all week, Monday - Thursday 6-8PM. Join us, if you dare! 👻🎃👻❤️

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· October 23 at 8:21pm
Orion Township Public Library added 3 new photos.
October 21 at 10:35am ·

We love our Lake Orion Community! Soon it will be even easier to walk or bike to the library when this beauty is officially open. The ribbon cutting ceremony is October 25 at 1 pm to be held on the boardwalk at the Camp Agawam Crossing.

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Norman Leon How far away is this from the Orion Library?
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Reply · October 21 at 2:21pm

Orion Township Public Library Hi Norman! About a mile and a half. The boardwalk and trail are off of Clarkston Road by the S-turns between Tommy's and Elkhorn Lakes.
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Jason Greg Prater When is it going to connect to the Polly Ann trail?
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Reply · October 21 at 3:05pm

Orion Township Public Library Hi Jason! That is a question for the trail manager. You can reach the offices at 248-981-1242. Or you can contact the Township Offices at 248-391-0304. Here is the Polly Ann Trail's website, too: http://www.pollyanntrailway.org/ Hope this helps! 😊
Orion Township Public Library
October 20 at 2:12pm
Drop in if you dare for the Orion Library’s annual kid-friendly Haunted House put on by teen volunteers! All ages are welcome Monday, October 23 through Thursday, October 26 between 6:00p and 8:00p.

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Orion Township Public Library
October 19 at 6:33pm
We just put out lots of new audio books for you to check out. Did you know that if we don’t have what you’re looking for the librarians can try to order through MeLCat for you? Happy listening!

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Orion Township Public Library added 11 new photos.
October 14 at 2:54pm
We had a lot happening on this rainy Saturday, starting with a royalty-themed family story time and craft, continuing with cheese making with Johnny Blast of Hopman’s Beer and Wine Making Supply, and finishing off with stuffed animal taxidermy for teens.

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Orion Township Public Library is at Orion Center.

October 13 at 6:57pm · Lake Orion ·

Boo Bash! It's a beautiful night to come visit us at the Orion Center!🎃🎃🎃

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11 Beth Blubaugh Sheridan and 10 others
Lisa Fitzpatrick Sokol Thanks for being there!!

Orion Township Public Library

October 13 at 10:30am ·

If you are a member of the Friends of the Orion Library join us for our 2017 Member Appreciation Night on Tuesday, October 17 at 6:30p at the library. Meet guest author Colette Taube Dywasuk of Sixth of Twelve: A Memoir, enjoy music by Allan and Donna Nahajewski, and desserts. This event is free for Friends members. No RSVP required. Contact friends@orionlibrary.org for more information.

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Our showcase of Scary Movies continues with this week with movies so funny, they’re scary! Come check out our selection and laugh until you feel it in your bones! 😁👻💀

Introducing our new Online Catalog's sleek new look! It even functions much better on mobile devices. Go ahead, try it out! https://catalog.orionlibrary.org/

Works great on my phone.
Do you ever wonder how we get the new books on the shelves so fast? Boxes are opened, books are received, catalogued and ready to be processed within days by our super fast and efficient support services team. Oh that, and a time lapse video 😄

Look at all of these cute dogs! Did you know that kids in grades K-5 can read to them? Call the Youth Department at 248-693-3002 to sign up for Doggone Readers!
Orion Township Public Library added 2 new photos.
October 10 at 6:24pm
You've seen our books baskets for your convenience...we'd like to introduce our new carts! Now you can browse the library and fill your basket with even more books, DVDs, games, and audiobooks.

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Orion Township Public Library
October 9 at 3:11pm
All day Staff In-Service at the Orion Library!

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6Carla May Tousley, Lori Morris and 4 others
Orion Township Public Library
October 7 at 7:30pm
Just a friendly reminder that we will be closed this Monday for a staff training day. We will resume regular business hours on Tuesday. Enjoy the rest of your weekend!

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Orion Township Public Library
October 6 at 3:18pm
New additions to our spooky books in the youth department! Don’t forget to wear your costume and come to our Halloween Stories & Parade for all ages on October 31 at 10am to 10:45am.

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Orion Township Public Library
October 6 at 10:46am
The Orion Library will be closed on Monday, October 9 for the entire day for a Staff In-Service. We will reopen on Tuesday, October 10 at 9:30a.

Orion Township Public Library
October 3 at 4:22pm
Halloween is coming up! Along with our Halloween parade and annual haunted house we have a great scary movie display. What's your favorite scary movie?

Jeremy Dixon What?! No way! We never had access to these movies before !! Silent hill👍
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.

Save the Date for MLA 2018

MLA Annual Conference is the premier professional development and networking event for members of the Michigan library community. Mark your calendar now for MLA 2018 in Novi, October 17-19, 2018. Save the date and plan early to be a part of the largest gathering of library professionals in the state.
We hope you’ve joined us in Lansing for MLA 2017 Annual Conference. Even if you weren’t able to attend this year you can check out session handouts on our website and follow the action on social media #MLA17AC.

Thank you to our Conference Sponsors

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Plan Now for Spring Workshops; Registration to Open in January

The volunteer work groups have been planning and prepping since June and the spring 2018 workshops are ready to be unveiled. Visit the MLA Events web page for program details and mark your calendar now. Registration will open in January.

Event Calendar

Wayne State SIS Announces Master of Science in Information Management

The Wayne State University School of Information Sciences has announced a new master of science in information management (MSIM) degree. The program, which will begin in the winter 2018 semester, will prepare students for careers in information management and related fields.

The 30-credit MSIM is offered fully online, allowing students to learn remotely regardless of location. To learn more about master of science in information management visit http://sis.wayne.edu/msim/. 
2018 Leadership Academy

MLA Leadership Academy offers the kind of training not found in library school. You’ll build skills and develop a cohort of colleagues that you can call on for support as you navigate your way throughout your career. Nine topics cover everything from leadership fundamentals to successfully managing the politics inherent in every library position. Registration opens soon.

More Information

Opportunity to Connect: ACRL Conference Sponsorship Award

The Distance Learning Section (DLS) of the Association of College & Research Libraries (ACRL) is accepting nominations for the annual Routledge Distance Learning Librarianship Conference Sponsorship Award. This award honors any individual ACRL member working in the field of, or contributing to the success of distance learning librarianship or related library service in higher education and provides $1,200 to attend the ALA Annual Conference. Submissions must be received by December 1, 2017.

Complete Details

MLA Seeking Nominations for 2018-19 Board

The MLA Board of Directors is seeking candidates for the 2018-19 Board Election. In April members will vote for a MLA President-Elect, Treasurer, ALA Councilor and one member-at-large board positions. The at-large positions will serve for a three-year term beginning July 2018 and ending June 2021.

The submission deadline is 5 p.m. on Friday, November 3, 2017. To submit a nomination, complete the form below and e-mail it to MLA Director of Finance and Administration Romy Fitschen at rfitschen@milibraries.org.

Thank you in advance for taking an active role in your association's nomination process and for encouraging individuals to apply.

2018-19 MLA Board Nomination Form
Spring Institute 2018 Call for Proposals

MLA Spring Institute 2018
Growing, Networking and Inspiring!
March 22 - 23, 2018
GVSU L.V. Eberhard Center
Grand Rapids, Michigan

Call for Breakout Session Program Proposals
Submissions welcome through November 10, 2017.

The 2018 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

Call for Cool Things My Library Does Proposals
Submissions welcome through Monday, January 8, 2018

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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.

NIS Insurance Start Date Pushed Back to February 2018 Due to Executive Order

President Trump's recent executive order targeting the Affordable Care Act has prompted some adjustments in the product offerings by the National Insurance Services (NIS) partnership with MLA. The group will now develop a Multiple Employer Welfare Arrangement (MEWA) as part of their program. This change will ensure that any libraries who wish to join the program after the initial startup will be able to do so without requiring that the entire group and its rates be re-evaluated. We sincerely regret the delay in getting the program underway. This response to the President's order is necessary to ensure a reliable and useful insurance product for our members. If renewal with your current carrier is due prior to February 1, 2018, it is recommended that you renew and NIS will follow up with you to help determine the best time to transfer to NIS.

Please feel free to contact Jason Rushton, Employee Benefits Consultant, National Insurance Services, Inc. at 1.800.627.3660 or j Rush@nisbenefits.com. Visit www.NISBenefits.com for additional information.

Legislature in Session for Six More Weeks

The legislature is in session until November 15. They are off for deer hunting and Thanksgiving and then back again for two to three weeks in December before adjourning until next year. The focus in Lansing right now is on no-fault insurance reform. Detroit Mayor Mike Duggan and a broad coalition of folks are mandating rate relief legislation. Michigan's highest-in-the-nation auto insurance rates are in the
spotlight as insurers want to lower their liabilities and become consistently profitable
and hospitals, medical clinics, lawyers and injured drivers are fighting to preserve the
current no-fault auto insurance.

The Michigan Supreme Court Denies Menards Inc.’s Application to Overturn
Lower Court Ruling

Good news for libraries losing tax revenue due to the tax tribunal's practice of
reducing tax obligations for big box stores. The method taxed thriving big box stores
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 them.
Legislation proposed last year did not advance in the Senate but the results of the
Supreme Court decision mean the lower court ruling stands. It reinforces the decision
that the tax tribunal's practice of reducing the amount of taxes levied on the big box
store was not appropriate. It doesn't negate past losses but it is a step in the right
direction for future valuations. It also helps even the playing field for smaller retailers
and helps libraries and communities hurt by the loophole allowing those big stores to
reduce their tax bills.

Continue Reading
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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**Leadership Academy 2018 Registration is Open**

Are you looking for the skills that will take you to that next level of leadership? MLA Leadership Academy offers the kind of training not found in library school. Plus you will develop a cohort of colleagues that you can count on for support as you navigate your way throughout your career.

[Scholarships are available](#) (deadline to apply is December 15.)


Visit the MLA website for [more information](#) and [register today!](#)

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**MLA Seeking Nominations for 2018-19 Board**

The MLA Board of Directors is seeking candidates for the 2018-19 Board Election. In April members will vote for a MLA President-Elect, Treasurer, ALA Councilor and one member-at-large board positions. The at-large positions will serve for a three-year term beginning July 2018 and ending June 2021.
The submission deadline is 5 p.m. on Friday, November 10, 2017. To submit a nomination, complete the form below and e-mail it to MLA Director of Finance and Administration Romy Fitschen at rfitschen@milibraries.org.

Thank you in advance for taking an active role in your association's nomination process and for encouraging individuals to apply.

**2018-19 MLA Board Nomination Form**

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**2018 Ready to Read Michigan Program**

The Library of Michigan's [Ready to Read Michigan](#) is hosted by public libraries during "March is Reading Month" to promote the importance of reading aloud to young children throughout the state. The program includes a kit based on a picture book that brings public librarians together with parents, caregivers and teachers to highlight early literacy activities for children. The kit is updated annually with a new book and new programming materials.

The 2018 Ready to Read Michigan book selection is *I Got the Rhythm* by Connie Schofield-Morrison, illustrated by Frank Morrison. Sign-up for a webinar that highlights the Programming Guide, storytime activities, and outreach ideas: [Ready to Read Michigan: I Got the Rhythm!](#)

Visit the [Library of Michigan website](#) for more information about the program.

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**The 2017 Mitten, YouPer and Thumbs Up! Awards Announced**

The Michigan Library Association is pleased to announce the 2017 literary award winners of the Mitten, YouPer and Thumbs Up! awards. The award selection work groups are comprised of Michigan librarians who consider hundreds of children's books annually to determine the winners.

The winner of the 2017 Mitten Award is *A Dark, Dark Cave* by Eric Hoffman. The purpose of the Mitten Award is to recognize and promote quality literature for youth in picture book format. [Read more about the Mitten Award](#).

The YouPer or Young Person Award recognizes and promotes quality literature for youth in chapter book format. The winner of the 2017 YouPer Award is *Wolf Hollow* by Lauren Wolk. [Read more about the YouPer Award](#).

The Thumbs Up! Award recognizes and promotes an outstanding contribution to teen literature that has both literary quality and teen appeal for those 13 to 18 years of age. A teen vote is included in help determine the winner. The 2017 Thumbs Up! Award winner is *The Serpent King* by Jeff Zentner. [Read more about the Thumbs Up! Award](#).

Thank you to the 2017 Mitten Work Group, chaired by Dena Moscheck, Lapeer District Library, the 2017 YouPer Work Group, chaired by Whitney Hagen, Paw Paw District Library and the 2017 Thumbs Up! Work Group, chaired by Abigail Pylar, Kalamazoo Public Library.
CJCLS/EBSCO Awards accepting nominations through Dec. 1

The Community and Junior College Libraries Section (CJCLS) of the Association of College & Research Libraries (ACRL) is accepting nominations for the annual EBSCO Community College Learning Resources Leadership Award and EBSCO Community College Learning Resources Program Award.

For both awards, a plaque to honor the winner’s achievements and $750 cash sponsored by EBSCO Information Services will be presented to the winner at a special ceremony during the ALA Annual Conference in New Orleans, June 2018.

Submissions must be received by December 1, 2017. Self-nominations welcome. For complete information about these awards, the application form and past winners, please visit:

- EBSCO Community College Learning Resources Program Award
- EBSCO Community College Learning Resources Leadership Award

Advance Your Career

Find your next job today! Visit the MLA job board where you can create an account, upload your resume, search and apply for jobs and create custom job alerts.

PLA Accepting Nominations for the Charlie Robinson Award

The Public Library Association (PLA) is accepting nominations for the Charlie Robinson Award. The award honors a public library director who, over a period of seven years, has been a risk taker, an innovator and/or a change agent in a public library. The recipient should have been active in national and other professional associations and be known for developing and implementing programs which are responsive to the need of community residents. The award consists of $1,000 and a gift to the librarian. The public library director will be honored at the ALA Annual Conference.

The deadline for award submissions is December 4, 2017. Visit www.ala.org/pla/awards for more information.

Stipends Available for Public Library Health Workshop

Through a partnership between the Public Library Association (PLA), the Public Programs Office (PPO) of the American Library Association (ALA), and the National Network of Libraries of Medicine (NNLM), a $500 stipend is being offered to cover most costs to attend a preconference workshop at the PLA 2018 Conference in
Philadelphia, PA. The full-day preconference, Stand Up for Health: Health and Wellness Services for Your Community, will take place Tuesday, March 20, 2018.

Visit apply.ala.org/plahealth/guidelines for more information, program guidelines and to apply. Deadline for Submission: November 19, 2017

MAME 44: Educating Students for MI Future

Join school library colleagues at the Michigan Association for Media in Education (MAME) Annual Conference November 15-17 at the Radisson in Lansing.

More Information

Spring Institute 2018 Call for Proposals

MLA Spring Institute: Growing, Networking, and Inspiring!
March 22 - 23, 2018
GVSU L.V. Eberhard Center
Grand Rapids, MI

Call for Breakout Session Program Proposals

Submissions welcome through Friday, November 10, 2017. The 2018 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.

Program proposal submission form: https://goo.gl/forms/ILhh027cwbaAMM9Q2

Call for Cool Things my Library Does Proposals

Cool Things My Library Does will be held on Thursday, March 22, 2018 from 5:00 - 6:30 p.m. Submissions welcome through Monday, January 8, 2018.

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.

Submission form: https://goo.gl/forms/RZgrTtr0sfLPaVR52

Stay Connected
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

Whether you were able to join us for the MLA conference last month, or not, I wanted to note a few things I thought were worth sharing. For those of you that attended conference, I want to thank you for participating in the conversations. I hope you will continue to think on things that you found inspiring and insightful. What did you find to share?

Our opening keynote, Manoush Zomorodi, provided a thoughtful presentation on disconnecting from technology in order to get in touch with our default mode, our thinking selves. Zomorodi loves gadgets and information as much as you and I may, but she is making conscious decisions to set her path and not get distracted from her goals. She is working to help others be productive, instead of being overcome or overwhelmed.

Libraries help navigate information with technology. Librarians connect with people.

Pat Wagoner, library consultant, provided a laid back and humorous presentation, while sharing her message of respectfully treating everyone the same. Not for the
sake of equality, but for the realization that everyone is a person. Respect is motivation.

**Librarians listen. Libraries meet you where you are.**

One of the most inspiring sessions I attended was the presentation by Deborah Drennan, from Freedom House Detroit. The work of Drennan and her colleagues goes far beyond providing housing to refugees. As Freedom House Detroit succinctly puts it, "We are a place for new beginnings." I think we all need to be part of the success of humanity. Each of our libraries can be a starting point for someone.

**Libraries are access. Libraries provide opportunity.**

*Continue Reading*

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**From the Executive Director's Desk**

**Leadership**

One of my favorite quotes about leadership is from Peter Drucker who said, "management is doing things right; leadership is doing the right things." This is so appropriate for our library leaders. Not only are you tasked with doing things right every day, you decide what are the right things to do; what collections to develop, which to weed, what programs to add, what technology to embrace. You are deciding the future by selecting what resources patrons need.

Leadership and doing the right thing is also about speaking out, stepping up and taking chances. Again this year I will be presenting a session at the MAME conference (Michigan Association of Media Specialists) on women and leadership, titled "Are We There Yet?". I'll be sharing experiences about moving out of my own comfort zone, speaking up and ultimately owning the results. Of course, the results are not always what you expect. Last year I talked about speaking out in meetings, making yourself heard and sometimes failing your way to success. This year I'll be focusing on how far women have come in the leadership realm. It isn't about male bashing. It's about recognizing where we are, where we're headed and how we get to the next step. It's about making sure we pave the way for our daughters and granddaughters as well as our sons and grandsons.

*Continue Reading*

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After a rough week here last week, it is nice to look back on the month of October with great accomplishment for all that the library continues to offer our community.

In Adult Services, we had: 3 Book Discussions (22), 4 Tech help (17), Cook the Book (12), 3 WWI and America discussions (84), and a Cheese Making program (25). We had an excellent history professor from OU leading the 3 part WWI and America discussion series. She was very knowledgeable and clear; patrons raved about her and the series. We are pleased with the interest in our programs from the WWI and America grant!

Beth Sheridan had the opportunity to travel to Washington DC as a follow-up from last year’s Smithsonian grant for Discovering Human Origins. She met again with the scientists and leaders from other libraries who hosted the exhibit for a debrief of the experience.

Outreach Services offered: 1 Computer Class (3), 4 ESL Conversation Groups (24), 7 ESL Classes (54), Senior Book Bunch (4), 3 Heritage Place programs (22), 8 Next Chapter Book Clubs (49), a Silverbell program (11), a New to Medicare program (14), and 2 Quilting groups (6). In addition, Monica rode the Bookbike and led the Halloween Parade in downtown Lake Orion on October 25!

Teen Services offered: 2 Geek Club programs (27), Stuffed Animal Taxidermy (14), and the teens again put on our Haunted House at the end of month, attracting 658 visitors!

In the Youth Department, we now have 196 children registered for the 1000 Books before Kindergarten program, with 4 children having completed the program. Youth programming included 4 sessions of our 1, 2, 3 Play With Me Family Place program (140), Full STEAM Ahead – Motion (14), Royalty Day (24), Paw Patrol Storytime (49), CERC Special Needs storytime (22), Lego (13), 3 Doggone Readers (11), and a special program called Doggone Readers Goes to the Dogs (98)! We continued our regular storytime programs again as well with 4 Babytime (29), 8 Toddler Time (304), and 8 Preschool Pals (203). Our ThinkLink program also kept our youth staff busy with 18 ThinkLink book requests, 8 Pre-K school visits (264), and 7 K-5 school visits (418).

Our highlight for the month was our Halloween Stories & Parade, which attracted 145 young patrons and their caregivers! One of the best parts for the kids was the addition of Oakland County Sheriff officers handing out treats. ☺
We have a new Dragon Award winner, which is *Out of My Mind* by Sharon M. Draper, after a total of 160 votes!

We are getting ready to kick off our Battle of the Books next week, which is also keeping our Youth Services librarians very busy. We are exciting to launch this program for another year!

A couple times during the year, we track how many reference questions our librarians answer. Over a 2-week period, Adult Services answered 621 questions. Youth Services answered 450 questions.

In case you haven’t seen it, the November/December ONTV show, Orion @ Your Library, is available here: [https://youtu.be/6_kzv4UP-u4](https://youtu.be/6_kzv4UP-u4). We will tape for the January/February show in December.

I continued to work with the board’s policy committee to review all the library’s public policies, and they have completed their review. Mostly the proposed changes are minor and administrative in nature. The committee has another meeting planned for November 15, and further discussion will be had at library board at the meeting next week.

A few members of the library board attended a meeting about property tax revenue on October 24 with representatives from Orion Township and Oakland County. I am meeting with our Strategic Planning board committee on November 10 to discuss this further along with implications for our new Strategic Plan and projections for what we can accomplish.

Margie and I reviewed the 2017 spending, in comparison to the budget, and found that we’re right on track for this year, with only a couple minor adjustments needed. These details will be discussed at the board meeting.

I have been in touch with our donor for the new sculpture. The sculpture will be ready for installation in the near future (possibly yet in November). Please note that we are planning for a dedication reception for our new sculpture on Wednesday, December 13 at 7p.

I am working on finalizing signage in the Adult Services department, which will look similar to the signage we added in Youth Services. I anticipate the order will be placed very soon, hoping for installation yet in 2017.

We are planning an upgrade of our online calendar software, which will take place on November 16. This should improve our events calendar and room
reservation software, but it might take a little time to work out any kinks. In addition, I am working with our IT staff to schedule an upgrade of our self-checkout systems. The new infrastructure will enhance the patrons’ self-checkout experience, and should include new features where patrons will learn about recommended reads and upcoming events right at the time of self-checkout.

Due to our participation in the collaboration group, the schools were kind enough to lend us a lift, which Mike & Roger have been using to clean, sand, and paint the light poles in the parking lot, along with some tree trimming! The township will again be handling our snow plowing and schools will salt our parking lot for us this upcoming winter season.

At our staff in-service in October, we introduced the book *FISH!* to the staff, which is a book about improving one’s workplace. It has four principles: Choose Your Attitude, Play, Make Their Day, and Be Present. We have formed a new staff committee to help us keep in touch with these principles and constantly find new ways to improve as a library staff.

Library staff supervisors are working on their annual staff performance evaluations this month. I completed mine as well for those staff who report directly to me. Staff raises will be announced in December and take effect in January 2018.

The library will be closed at 5p on Wednesday, November 22 for the upcoming Thanksgiving holiday. We will also be closed all day on Thursday, November 23 and Friday, November 24, reopening on Saturday, November 25.

The Friends of the Library celebrated National Friends of Libraries week in October, which included a very nice Friends Member Night reception on October 17. Although the turnout was low, the evening was very nice. The Friends are currently gearing up for their next Silent Basket Auction, which will begin on November 11. Mary Duenow has done an amazing job, collecting close to 70 baskets for auction!! Please stop in and take a look between November 11 and December 2. They are also working on their 2018 gala, to Greece, under the leadership of Carla Tousley and Jan Thomas. The Friends board will meet again on November 28, 2017.

In closing, I’d just like to say that the library staff has been grieving the loss of Gina Bucalo-Crowther, who lost her battle with cancer on October 30. Gina was well-liked by so many, and we miss her. To face this tragedy at the young age of 37 is so unfair. We embrace her husband and two young daughters and will
continue to support them and remember Gina. Many library staff attended the Celebration of Life that Gina’s family had on November 3. Grief counseling was made available at the library for staff as well. We are working on a memorial of some sort to have on the library grounds for Gina.

Reminders and other notable upcoming events for the Library:

- November 11 thru December 2 – Friends Silent Basket Auction
- November 13 – Battle of the Books Kickoff Meetings, 5:30p & 7p
- November 13 – Orion Historical Society, 7p
- November 14 – PTSD: A Discussion for Veterans and Their Families, 7p
- November 18 – Family Yoga, 10a (for kids and caregivers together!)
- November 18 – The Makings of America: A WWI Home Front Story, 2p
- November 20 – Karen Knox off for surgery for approximately 3 weeks
- November 22 – close at 5p, November 23 & 24 – closed for Thanksgiving
- December 2 – Lighted Holiday Parade, downtown LO, 6p – Look for Beth on the Bookbike, along with additional staff!
- December 9 – The Giving Season: Author/Illustrator Fair, 1-4p
- December 13 – OTPL Team Trivia Tourney @C-Pub, 7:30p
- December 14 – Red Cross Blood Drive, 9:30a-6:30p
- December 16 – Elf Workshop & Santa, 10a
- December 21 board meeting topics - Board meeting calendar for 2018, annual board evaluation
Dear Staff:

Why did you get rid of the Adult "Play Aways" CD? I don't always have access to a CD player. My son was also able to listen to books for school on long bus rides. Very disappointed.

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November 3, 2017

Joanne Flynn

Dear Joanne:

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!

Our goal is to keep all of our collections current with relevant materials, technology and information. We removed the Playaways because they were not circulating very well and they were becoming difficult to maintain. While weeding the Playaways made room for more popular audiobooks on CD, I realize that there are some who prefer the Playaways. We are still able to interloan them from any area libraries that still circulate them from Michigan e library catalog (MeLCat).

Did you know that we also offer other alternatives to Playaways and audiobooks on CD? With an Orion Library card you can easily download thousands of audiobooks, ebooks and movies to your computer or compatible mobile device using Hoopla or OverDrive?

Please stop in and allow a librarian to assist you with MeLCat or demonstrate how Hoopla and OverDrive work.

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

Sincerely,

Karen Knox
Director
Please get me the latest copy of "Quick Books Online" as I need it for a job and the book on the desktop version for each year can not be used.

I got a notice that I had borrowed a Quickbooks 2014 manual and your return it. There is a fine of $36 for this. That is wrong.

I returned the 2014 manual, despite for 2014 and then returned it. I forgot about the Quickbooks from a friend at her to the librarian.

And I brought it back two times and returned it the same way.

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www.orionlibrary.org
November 6, 2017

Vasudevan Srinivasan
Saranvasu@hotmail.com

Dear Vasudevan:

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

We are so delighted to hear comments and suggestions from our patrons. I will pass along your suggestion to acquire the QuickBooks Online manual to our collection development librarians to see if they might be able to purchase this for the community.

It appears you also had comments about a book for Quickbooks 2014 which you had checked out. I am sorry, but I could not understand your comments on this issue. Please let me know if you have further questions about it.

Please feel free to submit additional comment cards, or if you have future purchase requests, we have a separate form for those at: http://orionlibrary.org/purchase-request/ on our website. Thank you for using the Orion Township Public Library

Sincerely,

Karen Knox
Director
I applaud the installation of mini book stations around town. However, I am concerned that people are donating books with mold/mildew or the wooden book boxes are causing the books to mold. I do not take any books out of the box or leave any books due to this condition. I think this situation is due to heat, humidity, and some of the wood was not painted inside the boxes. It is unfortunate. Ideally, there would be something in each box to absorb humidity. Again, I applaud your efforts; but I have concerns about books rapidly deteriorating.

Susan Berg
Lake Orion

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November 3, 2017

Susan Berg

Dear Susan:

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!

The Orion Township Public Library now has 8 Little Free Libraries spread throughout the township that are registered with the Free Little Library Association. Our goal is to keep all of the Free Little Libraries well-maintained and stocked with quality books. We recently improved the libraries by adding shelves to keep them neat and tidy. The libraries were built and installed with great care, and like you, we want them to be a positive experience in our community.

In addition to our staff who checks them regularly, we have volunteers that have adopted each of the libraries to check on them and ensure there are no problems. If anything does come up with regard to the library, these volunteers will report it to staff and we will address it as soon as possible. The Little Free Libraries have been in our community for a couple years now, with no signs of abuse or problems such as you describe. We will see if there’s anything else we can do to maintain the quality of the libraries and address your concerns.

Thank you again for your concern, 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/.

Thanks for the free Lions Club eye scan.

That helped us detect an eye issue in our 2 year old that we were able to correct with glasses. Thanks!

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November 7, 2017

Laura Johnson

Dear Laura:

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 the library provides to the community.

The Lake Orion Lions Club partners with the Orion Township Public Library to offer free vision screenings. Early screenings can provide significant long term benefits for children and I’m so pleased to hear that you were able to detect an issue with your child’s eyes that was correctable with glasses.

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

Sincerely,

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

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<td>155</td>
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<td>484</td>
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<td>1,193</td>
<td>8,997</td>
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### Technology Usage Statistics

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<td>1,221</td>
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<td>Web site hits - desktop users</td>
<td>6,622</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>15,097</td>
<td>15,682</td>
<td>159,242</td>
<td>167,860</td>
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<td># Visitors to Orion Center branch</td>
<td>340</td>
<td>318</td>
<td>3,082</td>
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<td># Volunteer hours</td>
<td>553</td>
<td>549</td>
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<td>5,394</td>
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<td># Notarized documents</td>
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<td>28</td>
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<td># Think Link requests for books</td>
<td>21</td>
<td>13</td>
<td>126</td>
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2017 Budget Adjustments

The only adjustments needed for the 2017 budget:

1. Move $7251 from Salaries
2. Move $2000 to Grant Expense – this category is always left with a $0 budget, as I never know how much revenue we will take in for grants
3. Move $5251 to the VEBA to cover the 2017 contribution
Form 7.1
Sample Board of Directors’ Skills Matrix and Inventory

Synopsis of key board requirements [these should relate to the hospital’s strategic directions]
– List any key board requirements for next three to five years – for example, construction and project management skills, if the corporation will be completing a capital project.

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Total Rating

Date of completion:
Trustee Conflict of Interest Disclosure
Adopted: 5/15/2014

Trustee Name: ___________________________   Date: _______________

A conflict of interest, or an appearance of a conflict, can arise whenever a transaction or an action of the Orion Township Public Library conflicts with the personal interests of a board member, an immediate family member of a board member, or the board member's employer (Personal Interests).

Please describe below any relationships, material interests, or positions you hold (volunteer or otherwise), or circumstances that you believe could create a conflict of interest, now or in the future, between the Orion Township Public Library and your personal interests:

1. ___________________________________________
2. ___________________________________________
3. ___________________________________________

Or check the box below:

_____ I have no conflicts of interests, or potential conflicts of interest, to report.

I have reviewed the Orion Township Public Library’s Trustee Conduct Policy and I understand that it is my obligation to disclose a conflict of interest, or appearance of a conflict, to the chair of the board when a conflict, or appearance of a conflict, arises, and that for transaction for which I have a conflict, I should abstain from any vote on the matter involving the conflict.

Trustee Signature: ___________________________   Date: _______________
Orion Township Public Library
Trustee Commitment
November 16, 2017

I pledge to dedicate my efforts to serve as an active member of the Orion Township Public Library trustees.

I will, without fail make every attempt to attend all regularly scheduled Board meetings, committee meetings, and specially scheduled meetings and activities. In the event I am unable to attend, I promise to notify the Director.

I will make at least one financial contribution each year to the Library or Friends.

Most importantly, I will make a commitment to the role as an advocate for our Library, sharing our story, mission and ongoing news and progress within my personal, community and work-related networks.

MaryAnne Thorndycraft, President

Mary Pergeau, Vice President

Jim Abramczyk, Trustee

Jim Phillips, Treasurer

Mike Luna, Secretary

Bert Quinn, Trustee
## 2018 CALENDAR OF LIBRARY CLOSINGS

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<td><strong>Easter Holiday</strong></td>
<td>Friday, March 30</td>
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<td>Saturday, March 31</td>
<td>Closed Day off</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Friends Gala</strong></td>
<td>Saturday, April 21</td>
<td>Close at 2 pm</td>
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<td><strong>Memorial Day</strong></td>
<td>Saturday, May 26</td>
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<td>Monday, May 28</td>
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<td><strong>July 4th</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Thanksgiving</strong></td>
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<td><strong>New Year’s Eve</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Library In-Service Day</strong></td>
<td>Friday, October 5</td>
<td>Library Closed</td>
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TOTAL HOLIDAYS: 10

APPROVED: