Welcome to our new Director, Chase McMunn!

Chase McMunn is a Michigan native who grew up in Jackson. He previously served as Assistant Director for the County of San Luis Obispo Library in California, where he has served since 2015. Prior to the County of San Luis Obispo Library, he served as a Community Library Manager of Topanga and Malibu Libraries for the County of Los Angeles Library from 2011 to 2014. He also served as a Teen Services Librarian and Adult Services Librarian at the East Los Angeles Library and La Crescenta Library, respectively from 2008 to 2011. He received his Master of Library and Information Science from UCLA in 2008, and his BA in History from University of Michigan in 2004.

Chase moved to the area with his wife, two kids, dog and cat. He enjoys hiking and being outdoors, and is an avid photographer. He is very happy to be back home in Michigan, though he looks forward to the weather warming up a little bit.

Hold Lockers

This winter we added 24/7 hold lockers to the library vestibule. This new service will allow the library to better serve our patrons on their schedule. It also offers a contactless/self-service option as a replacement for our curbside pickup. When picking up items, patrons simply scan their library card, follow the prompts on the screen, and collect their items from the locker. Not every library item is available for 24/7 locker pickup; patrons can pick up books, audiobooks, DVDs, music, and video games. For some of our larger items, patrons can pick those up inside the library on our self-service hold shelf. If you haven't already, stop by and try out our new hold lockers!

New Library App

We are excited to announce the launch of our new mobile app! You will be able to search our collection by keywords or scanning a book’s bar code using your camera, store digital copies of your family’s library cards, manage everyone’s checkouts and holds, find links to our various digital services and premium online resources and more. You will even be able to skip the lines and check out items right from our stacks! The Orion Township Public Library app is available for Android and iOS devices and can be downloaded at innovativemobile.net/OrionTownshipPublicLibrary or by searching ‘Orion Township Public Library’ in your app store.

Library Wishlist

Check out our library Wishlist at orionlibrary.org/library-wishlist! This web page lists some of the many things that the library would like to purchase, but they are beyond the scope of our budget. If any of the items on the list are of interest to you, perhaps you could donate to the cause. Donating is easy and can be done right online.

Library Blood Drive

Wed, Mar 30
10:30 am–4:30 pm
Be a Lifesaver! Donate Blood at the Orion Library.
Appointments encouraged at redcrossblood.org, sponsor code: orionlibrary.

General Federation of Women’s Clubs—Lake Orion

Do you like to have fun? Do you like to volunteer in your community? Come join the GFWC! For more info, contact Renee at 248-701-8821.

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Are you looking for a fun Sunday afternoon activity? Join us for our Spring Sunday Concert Series, featuring a variety of family-friendly music groups. We will have one concert per month at 2 pm for the months of March, April, and May.

**Gratitude Steel Band**  
Sun, Mar 13 | 2 pm  
Join Gratitude Steel Band as part of our Spring Sunday Concert series! While bringing steel pans into the audience for viewing, they also give a little history to mix in with the fun!

**Boogie Woogie Kid**  
Sun, Apr 24 | 2 pm  
The whole family is invited to this kid friendly concert starring Matthew Ball, The Boogie Woogie Kid, performing New Orleans and Swing Era favorites from the 20s, 30s and 40s.

**Ukulele Kings**  
Sun, May 1 | 2 pm  
The Ukulele Kings are an all-ukulele trio featuring clever originals and select covers you never would have expected to hear on the ukulele. All members of the combo are veterans of the Greater Lansing music scene; songwriters and ukulele players Ben Hassenger and Patrick Malloy have played together for years. Bring the whole family for a fun and entertaining afternoon!

**Save the Date**  
**Summer Reading Kickoff**  
Sat, June 11 | 11 am–2 pm  
Look for more details coming soon for the whole family to enjoy!

**Join the Library ‘VIP’**  
Every year, the American Library Association celebrates National Library Week honoring libraries and library workers across the nation. This year, show your library appreciation and be the envy of the neighborhood as a library VIP! Come into the Library beginning March 14 and pick up a ‘Very Important Patron’ lawn sign. Then proudly display the sign in your front yard or window for the month of April. If we see your sign, you could win prizes! Prizes will be given out each week in April.

**Fandom Fest**  
Sat, May 7 | All Day  
Fandom Fest is returning this year for a day of comics, gaming, anime, and more! This year will feature a variety of take and make craft kits for all ages, escape rooms, free comics, and more!

**Take and Make Craft Kits**  
Dice Bath Bombs, Recycled Manga Keepsake Boxes, and Baby Yoda Origami Bookmarks.

**Escape Rooms**  
Work with a group to solve a variety of nerdy riddles and puzzles. Escape rooms will begin promptly on the hour from 11 am until 2 pm. Registration required.

**Free Comic Book Day**  
Libraries, book stores, and comic shops around the world promote Free Comic Book Day on the first Saturday of May each year. Pick up a free comic from our table in the lobby and join the celebration!

**Fandom Bounce & Boogie**  
11 am  
A music and movement-based program just for ages 0–5! Join us as we dance, groove, jump, and move to our favorite songs and rhymes featuring your favorite fandom!
### Makerspace

**Cricut Tote Bags**

Sat, Mar 12 | 2 & 3:30 pm  
Register online
Design a custom tote bag with heat transfer vinyl on our Cricut cutting machine.

**Glowforge Painted Tiles**

Sat, May 21 | 2 and 3:30 pm  
Register online
Learn to laser engrave and paint colorful ceramic tiles.

**Makerspace Office Hours**

Thursdays | Mar 3, Apr 7, May 5 | 6 pm  
Interested in learning about makerspace equipment? Have a question? Need some guidance or inspiration for your project? Drop in and meet with our makerspace librarian and start creating. Assistance will be available on a first-come-first-served basis.

### Adult Services

**Michigan Works @ Your Library**

Tuesdays | Mar 8, Apr 12, May 10  
9:30 am–12:30 pm  
Drop in and Oakland County Michigan Works will assist you with upcoming workshops, youth and adult programs, resume ideas, job searches, interview skills, and more. They can point you in the right direction for inquiries about local resources, Department of Health & Human Services and much more.

**Virtual: Alzheimer’s Caregiver Support Group**

Tuesdays | Mar 8, Apr 12, May 10  
10:30 am  
This monthly support group for individuals who care for those with Alzheimer’s disease and other related dementia is led by a trained facilitator and sponsored by the Alzheimer’s Association Michigan Chapter. See the event calendar on our website for a zoom link to join virtually.

**Writer’s Workshop**

Wednesdays | Mar 9, Apr 13, and May 11 | 7 pm  
Meet the second Wednesday of each month and connect with a group of like-minded writers to learn from each other, share ideas, and practice your writing skills.

**Orion Historical Society**

Mondays | Mar 14, Apr 11, May 9  
7 pm  
Come to an OHS meeting to learn about our township’s history and work on projects to preserve the past. Newcomers are always welcome!

**The Good Roads Movement in Michigan, 1888 to 1926**

Mon, Mar 14 | 6:30 pm  
Historian Jim Craft will explain why the United States had one of the worst road systems of any developed country in the world in the 1800’s. The presentation will focus on Michigan, covering: Why were roads so bad, what caused change, and what were the steps taken to build an effective road system in America and Michigan?

**North Oakland Genealogical Society**

Thursdays | Mar 17, Apr 21, and May 19 | 7 pm  
Anyone with an interest in genealogy and family history research is encouraged to attend!

**Mark Twain Comes to Michigan**

Wed, Mar 23 | 7 pm  
Mark Twain, the well-known author, humorist, and lecturer, is best known for writing Tom Sawyer and Huckleberry Finn, but did you know he came to Michigan in 1895 as part of his World Tour? His popular lectures and story-telling left his audiences laughing, but his life also had its share of pain and tragedy. Join the Orion Historical Society and the Orion Township Library for this lecture and multimedia production by Dave and Al Eicher and learn about Twain’s visit to our state as well as his amazing life story.

### Mark Twain

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Navigating the Healthcare System as We Age
Tue, Apr 19 | 6:30 pm
Join Vicki Klanke RN, a Nurse Consultant/Educator, as she discusses today’s complicated healthcare system in relation to the aging process which is physical, emotional, and social. Topics discussed will include Patient’s Bill of Rights, finding a primary doctor, insurance coverage, becoming your own advocate, medication management, access to community resources, and understanding the difference between independent, assisted, and memory care communities.

Wine Tasting at Wine Social Wine Bar
Wed, Apr 27 | 7 pm
Register online
Join us at local wine bar, Wine Social, to learn about and taste different wines during this fun and educational program! Complementary tastings will be provided during the wine tasting with Wine Social’s very own sommelier; whether you enjoy a nice red or white there will sure to be something you fancy! Wine will be available to purchase and enjoy by the glass or bottle during the program; snacks will be provided by the library. Wine Social is located at 135 South Broadway, Lake Orion. Participants must be over 21.

Teas, Tinctures, and Oils with Small House Farms
Thurs, Apr 28 | 7 pm
Bevin Cohen is an author, herbalist, seed saver and owner of Small House Farm in Michigan. He offers workshops and lectures across the country on the benefits of living closer to the land through seeds, herbs, and locally grown food. He is the author of four books, including Saving Our Seeds, The Artisan Herbalist and his highly anticipated new book, The Complete Guide to Seed & Nut Oils.

Electric Cars: Past, Present, and Future
Mon, May 2 | 7 pm
Join Russell Dore, automotive history presenter, as he discusses the history of electric vehicles, what caused the recent resurgence of the electric car, and the plans the major automotive companies have for increasing the presence of electric vehicles in the future. Find out how the Detroit area is contributing heavily to this growth.

BOOK DISCUSSIONS
New members are always welcome to our book discussions!

Monday Book Discussion
Mondays | 7 pm
Mar 21: The Loneliest Polar Bear by Kale Williams
Apr 18: The Four Winds by Kristin Hannah
May 16: The Last Thing He Told Me by Laura Dave

Thursday Book Discussion
Thursdays | 1:30 pm
Mar 17: The Doctors Blackwell by Janice Nimura
Apr 21: Anxious People by Fredrik Backman
May 19: The Lincoln Highway by Amor Towles

Cook the Book
Mon, Apr 4 | 7 pm
Skillet Love by Anne Byrn
You select and prepare a recipe from the cookbook chosen, and we meet to sample and discuss recipes from that month’s cookbook! Please either put on hold or inter-library loan your own copy of the cookbook for each meeting; call 248-693-3001 if you need assistance acquiring a cookbook.

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OTPL Little Free Libraries
Our Little Libraries are located throughout the Orion community on trails, at parks, and downtown Lake Orion. They are stocked with books available for you to take and read or add books to share with others. Now that the weather is warming up, come check them out! Little Libraries provide a great way to grab a quick book to read when you can’t make it all the way to the library, and are fun opportunities for children to discover books! A patron recently donated a Little Library which we installed in Atwater Park, which brings the total number of little libraries that we stock and maintain to twelve. Individuals and families can volunteer to “adopt a Little Library”; call our volunteer Coordinator at 248–693–3000 x435 to help. A list of Little Library locations can be found at orionlibrary.org/locations.

OTPL Bookbike
For the last few years staff members have pedaled our Bookbike to parks, parades, community events and on the numerous bike trails in our township. The purchase of our Bookbike was made possible by a generous donation from a patron! We answer questions, talk about upcoming programs, register patrons for library cards and give away books, treats, and library swag. Our Bookbike has been a great opportunity to bring the Orion Township Public Library outside our walls and market our library to the public. Now that the weather is warming up, look for us when you are out and about, and stop by and say hello!

Orion Center Library Branch
For a slower pace and a smaller venue, the Orion Center Library Branch caters especially to senior citizens and is located in the Orion Center at 1335 Joslyn Road. Large print books, audiobooks, movies, put and take paperbacks, puzzles, and magazines are available for all. There are also computers and a printer available.

English Language Learning Conversation Group (ELL)
Wednesdays | 10:30 am
The group is open to all who wish to practice their English language skills in a relaxed and informal setting. The topics vary widely, and it is a great learning experience as well as an opportunity to meet people.

Senior Social Hour @ the Orion Center Branch Library
Fridays | Mar 4 & 18, April 1 & 15, May 6 & 20 | 11 am
Join us the 1st and 3rd Fridays of each month for a chance to get out and socialize. Each week will feature a different topic or conversation prompt so that participants can enjoy the company of other seniors!

Senior Moments Activity Hour @ the Orion Center Branch Library
Wednesdays | Mar 23, Apr 27, May 25 | 1:30 pm
Join this fun group for some trivia, games, and fellowship at the Orion Center Branch Library. Any senior is welcome to this entertaining, casual program the 4th Wednesday of every month.

Special Needs Adult Programming (SNAP)
Mon, May 2 | 12:30 pm
Adults with special needs and their caregivers can join us for stories, songs, movement and activities.

Home Delivery Services and Books by Mail
If you or someone you know lives in Orion Township and is unable to physically visit the library (even short term) let us know. We deliver books to homebound patrons either through the Postal Service via our Books by Mail program, or by car. We offer delivery services for books, audiobooks and music—give us specific titles or let us know what you like and we can introduce you to new authors. Call 248–693–3000 ext 411 to sign up for homebound delivery.
**JUST FOR TEENS**

All Take and Make supplies will be available on a first come, first served basis starting at 9:30 am on the day of the program.

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**Teen Tuesday**

Tuesdays | 6:30–8 pm

Teen Tuesday is a casual hang-out for teens who enjoy anything from anime, comics, video games, board and card games, D&D, crafts and more! If you’re looking for something to do with some friends, crash with us for a bit. Snacks always provided and new faces always welcome!!

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**Think Link After School**

Mondays | Mar 7, Apr 11 | 3–5 pm

LOC6 6th–8th graders can register with their school and receive a special bus pass to come to the library select Mondays after school. Students can socialize, study, use the library, and participate in the day’s planned activity like art projects, board games, video games, makerspace projects and more! Special registration with school required.

**Pour and Paint**

Sat, Mar 19 | 2–3:30 pm

Register online

Whether you are a budding artist, or need a more step by step approach, join OTPL as we learn how to paint acrylic canvas paintings with a step by step painting tutorial!

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**Take and Make: Fantastic Beasts Book Nook**

Sat, Apr 9

In honor of Fantastic Beasts 3 releasing this month, make your own wizarding world book nook. A crafty creation that lives among the novels on your shelf.

**Zen Gardens**

Sat, May 14 | 2–3 pm | Register online

Learn how to make your very own tabletop Zen garden. DIY gardens are made from sand, rocks and other simple materials.

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**75 Books Before High School**

Challenging all 6–8th graders to read 75 BOOKS BEFORE HIGH SCHOOL! Sign up at any time, and read at your own pace. With this program, there are no assigned books, no deadlines (other than finishing before you start high school!), and no reports to write. Read whatever you want, whenever you want! There will be random raffles for books logged to receive a local business gift card, and when you reach 50 books you receive a free book of your choice. For the courageous who complete all 75 books before you start high school, you win a grand prize High School Survival Kit, full of supplies to get you ready for your post high school years. Please register by signing up on our website orionlibrary.org/teens/75-books/.

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**Gaming at the Library**

The Playstation 5 and Xbox Series X will soon be available to use in the teen room. Currently we have the Xbox One, Playstation 4, and the Nintendo Switch systems to enjoy in the teen room. You can pick a game, close the door, and play with others while you scream at the television screen with your friends. For those of you who have been lucky enough to have an Xbox Series X or Playstation 5 at home, we have a growing collection of games for you to check out and take home! Especially with the increase in price of the new games, why not try them out first by checking them out from the library. Both the youth and adult departments have Playstation 5 and Xbox Series X games, so come in and check them out, you are sure to find a game you will love!
Reading Challenges All Year Long

You are invited to join our online reading programs, 1000 Books before Kindergarten and 500 Books by 5th year round: a continuously great way to keep track of reading all year long. Children and parents are invited to read 1000 or 500 books and pick up prizes along the way. For our early literacy program, 1000 Books, pre-kindergarten patrons can earn prizes for each 100 books read with parents or on their own. For our elementary school program, 500 Books, students are invited to pick up prizes for each 50 books completed. These programs encourage the importance of reading for pleasure alongside reading for education. Studies show reading for pleasure has a positive impact on learning, including larger vocabulary, self-confidence, comprehension, and deeper understanding of the multicultural wide world.

Downtown Storywalk

April & May | Downtown Lake Orion
Our partner program with Lake Orion DDA continues this spring with another installment of the Lake Orion Storywalk®. Take a walk through downtown to read the spring surprise title in April and May, and visit new participating businesses along the way!

Fandom Fest

Sat, May 7 | All Day
Fandom Fest is returning this year for a day of comics, gaming, anime, and more! This year will feature a variety of take and make craft kits for all ages, escape rooms, free comics, and more! See page 39 for more details.

Crafternoon Fun

Fri, May 13 | 2 pm | All Ages
Stop by the library for a fun crafternoon with projects of all varieties.

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FAMILY PROGRAMS

Money Expo
Fri, Apr 1 | 2 pm
All Ages
Visit our Expo to earn tokens to spend at our special library gift shop! We will host money related games and activities for kids of all ages where participants will learn simple and age appropriate money concepts.

Take and Make: Disguise a Bunny
Sat, Apr 2 | All Ages
This bunny is tired of being asked about Easter and just wants a break! Create a fun disguise for the bunny and send it to youth@orionlibrary.org. We will have our bunny experts pick a winner for the best disguise. Winners will be notified by email.

Take and Make: Create with your Crew
Thu, Apr 14
All Ages
Work as a team to create a beautiful birch tree painting.

BABY, TODDLER, AND PRESCHOOL PROGRAMS

SENSEsational Storytime

Fridays | Mar 4, Apr 8, May 6 | 11 am
All Ages
A welcoming, interactive environment designed for children with special needs and sensory seeking kids.

Bounce and Boogie

Saturdays | Mar 5, Apr 9, May 7
11 am | Ages 0–5
A music and movement–based program just for ages 0–5! Join us as we dance, groove, jump, and move to our favorite songs and rhymes! May 7th is a special Fandom Fest edition!

Take and Make: The Day the Crayons Quit

Thu, Mar 10
Ages 3–5
Download the story from the library’s Cloud Library app. Read it together and enjoy some at home activities for ages 3–5 to enhance the story.

Take and Make: What’s the Weather?

Wed, Mar 16 | Ages 3–5
Explore different types of weather with this fun take and make for ages 3–5!

Little Lit

Mondays, Tuesdays & Wednesdays
April 4—May 25 | 10 am & 11 am
Ages 0–5 | Limit 20
Children ages 0–5 and their families are invited for stories, songs, and activities that promote the five staple early literacy practices: reading, writing, singing, talking, and playing!
Little Lit Special: One for the Money!

Mon, Apr 4  |  10 am & 11 am
Two for the dough! This special money related storytime is brought to our youngest patrons for Michigan Smart Money Month! All attendees will leave with a new money related picture book.

SCHOOL AGE PROGRAMS

Doggone Readers
Mondays  |  March 14, April 16, May 18
6:30 pm  |  Grades K–5  |  Register online
The dogs are back! Visit with Jasper, Henry, or our other surprise therapy dog to practice your reading skills to a silent listener—the dog! Readers can collect stamps for a free book.

Dragon’s Den
Mon, Mar 28  |  2 pm
Grades K–5
Adventure awaits in the dragon’s den! Join us for a fun afternoon of dragon-themed activities.

Hack that Painting
Tue, Mar 29  |  2 pm  |  Grades 3–5
Register online
Add your own creative spin to these already prepared canvases. Do you think this landscape painting needs some aliens? You take these generic pieces and make them into a new masterpiece. A big thank you to the Orion Art Center for donating canvases.

Maker Space
Chia Pets
Wednesday & Thursday
March 30 & 31
10 am  |  Grades 3–5
Register online
Learn to use our 3-D printing software and make your own chia planter.

BATTLE OF THE BOOKS

The 2022 5th grade Battle of the Books competition culminates with a competition and victory party held March 19 and 21. With nearly 150 local 5th graders participating, we are expecting a great crowd. Joining us for the victory party, Michigan author Kelly Baptist will speak with the fifth graders and their parents. Baptist is the author of one of our chosen battle titles, Isaiah Dunn is My Hero. Students were tasked with reading 9 books, forming teams, participating in online video challenges, and finally meeting in a trivia style competition. Battle of the Books is a great way to encourage the love of reading, keeping it fun and interactive for students. If your student is interested in Battle of the Books in the coming years, visit the library for more information.

Battle Events

Virtual: Final All Team Meetup
Thu, Mar 17  |  6:30 pm  |  Registration requested
Meet one last time before the Battle competition to go over book topics, themes, and hold a mock battle. Students will also have the opportunity to win prizes.

Battle of the Books Competition
Sat, Mar 19  |  10 am  |  Waldon Middle School
Students participating in Battle will gather for this team competition held at Waldon Middle School.

Victory Party
Mon, Mar 21  |  6:30 pm  |  Waldon Middle School
Students participating in both Battle of the Books and Write On: Short Story Competition and their families are invited to attend the Battle Victory party. All Battle teams will be recognized and Battle author Kelly Baptist will reveal the winning short story.

Take and Make:
Bugs & Butterflies
Sat, Apr 23  |  Grades K–5
Learn about bugs and butterflies with these fun art and science activities for grades K–5.

Take and Make:
Break–In Bags
Sat, May 21  |  Grades 3–5
Use your detective and puzzle solving skills to break into this goodie bag. Clues are geared for older students in grades 3–5.

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Did you know? Public libraries in Michigan are generally funded through three primary sources of revenue: millages, penal fines, and state aid.

The Orion Township Public Library receives approximately 94% of its operating budget from property taxes, and the remaining six percent from state aid, penal and library fines, donations, service fees and miscellaneous income. As a result of ongoing fundraising efforts by the Friends, the library’s budget is enhanced to support our community needs. The Friends contribute to the annual budget by donating on average $20,000 per year for programming and program supplies.

Below we share examples of how that money is utilized by library departments and how you can help support our mission:

**Youth Programs**

The youth services department hosts numerous activities and programs each month, most of which are sponsored by the Friends. Take and Make kits have been extremely popular lately, as are the youth programs led by staff. For many years, the fifth grade Battle of the Books competition has been popular with Lake Orion school students, including the finale party. The annual Haunted House and various Halloween activities are also offered with high attendance.

**Teen Programs**

The Friends provide the majority of funding for Teen programs. The 2021 Teen Summer Reading party & movie night were a lot of fun for the teen participants. Teen Tuesday and Think Link After School offer snacks and fun activities. Take and Make kits are also appreciated by our teens, and recent offerings included comic book magnets and theme food projects.

**Adult Programs**

The Adult Services Department is also creating unique programming for adults as a result of Friends funding: author visits, writing workshops, the winter workshop, and yarn wall hangings to name a few.

**Family Programs**

During the past quarter, 100% of programs funds were provided by the Friends. Take and Make family kits were offered as fun and focused projects with holiday flair. A magic show was also offered in January. Seasonal celebrations and workshops are also offered. Watch this magazine for details. We also support summer reading programs for all ages, enjoyed annually by more than 1,000 patrons.

**Special Gifts**

Occasionally the library approaches the Friends for assistance with special projects or unique needs. Over the past several years, in addition to programming funds, we have provided funds to paint the updated meeting room, as well as purchase a new coffee machine for staff, electronics and furniture for the teen space, and new office chairs.
You can help raise programming funds

Make a donation
Donations accepted by mail, on our website, or at the customer service desk. Additionally, you can designate the

Friends through your employers’ annual campaign, like United Way, or through their online giving portal. Funds received, unless specifically designated, will be gifted to the library during the next grant cycle.

Designate the Friends for Amazon Smile & Kroger Rewards
Designate the Friends of the Orion Township Library as your designated charity for Amazon Smile and Kroger Rewards. It’s a great way to support the library through your everyday shopping!

Become a Friends member
Join the Friends of the Library! Senior memberships are $5, individuals $10 and families $20. Stop by the service desk at the library or visit our website to join. Memberships are good for one year.

Shop the Book Store & Book Sale
Proceeds from the book store, open daily in the lobby, and book sales held three times per year are the Friends number one funding source. Pick up a great read at a reduced price during your next visit to the library.

Get involved: Be a Friends volunteer
We can only continue our important work, raising funds and advocating for the library, with the support of volunteers in our community. Have a few hours to spare? Get involved with the Friends of the Library this year! For more information about available opportunities contact the Friends via email at friends@orionlibrary.org.

About the Friends
The Friends are a 501(c) (3) non-profit organization that was started in 1985 “to promote public support of the Orion Township Public Library and the library in the community, to promote reading, literacy and lifelong learning, and to maintain an association of persons interested in the library.” Friends act in cooperation with the library board and staff, serving as a liaison between the community and library. All money raised by the Friends, except for minimal administrative costs such as postage and printing, is donated directly to the library in the way of program funding, material purchases and monetary contributions.