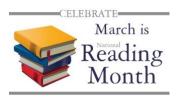
### Mid-Michigan Library League

# Governor Whitmer Kicks off March by Declaring the Month as March is Reading Month

Governor Whitmer issued a proclamation declaring the month of March as Reading Month in Michigan. Throughout the month, schools,

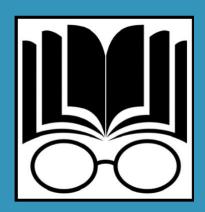


children, and adults alike use this time to promote the importance of reading. "Every year the country uses this month to promote reading and imagination. I am proud to declare March as Reading Month in Michigan and I encourage everyone to find time to read," said Governor

Whitmer. "This month, we should recommit ourselves to encouraging children and young adults to read diverse literary works early and often so they can see themselves and others in what they read."

# News of Interest

March 2021



### **Member Libraries**

If you need a contact list of the Mid-Michigan Library League member libraries, see the website HERE! Scroll down for a link to the contact information spreadsheet.



### **Advisory Council**

The **Advisory Council** includes each MMLL member library director. The group is currently meeting informally the second Tuesday of the month, and formally the fourth Tuesday via Zoom. Upcoming meetings are at 10:00 a.m.:

March 9 (informal, no agenda) March 23

Zoom link: <a href="https://bit.ly/2Hurn5h">https://bit.ly/2Hurn5h</a> Advisory Council on MMLL website



### Michigan Abolitionist Project

"Growing the movement of people and organizations working to prevent and end human trafficking in Michigan and beyond..."

### Scheduled and ondemand WEBINARS and ONLINE CLASSES:



The Library of Michigan has produced four new Library Staff Skills courses:

- <u>Diversity</u>, <u>Equity</u>, and <u>Inclusion in Library</u> <u>Imagery</u>
- Web Accessibility for Libraries 1: Identify Your Library's Strengths and Weaknesses
- Web Accessibility for Libraries 2: The Art and Science of Creating Alt Text
- Web Accessibility for Libraries 3: Linking <u>Practices</u>

#### Also Of Note:

- Incident Reporting for Libraries
- <u>CDC Zombie Preparedness and So Much</u> More

#### Management Skills:

- Supervisors: Managing Conflict [From the Pioneer Library System]
- Motivational Skills for Supervisors

### Mental Health and Customer Service:

- A Trauma-Informed Approach to <u>Librarianship</u>
- Whole Person Librarianship
- CDC Supporting Children and Adolescents through COVID-19
- Mental Health Awareness and COVID-19

### Wondering about the New Director Workshop? The Beginning Workshop?

The Library of Michigan will be creating these trainings online using the Niche Academy. Stay tuned for new "Pathways" that will take the user through necessary training with some choices as well. A tracking system will enable online certification. NOTE: Individuals that needed to attend either event to meet the staffing requirements for State Aid to Public Libraries purposes will need to submit a waiver. Please review State Aid to Public Libraries Application Process for information on submitting a waiver request.

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### Library of Michigan Library Law Page



COVID Impacts on Electronic Public Meetings: Emergency Order, Open Meetings Act Updates

### Did you see these HR webinars yet? See these and other archived webinars at:

https://www.mmll.org/workshopswebinars/webinars











#### Save the Date for 2021 Spring Workshops:

- Community Collaborations: Healthy Community Initiatives - Wednesday, April 14, 2021 - MORE INFO
- Library Human Resources: Drafting Policies
   That Work Wednesday, April 21, 2021 
   MORE INFO
- The Business of Libraries: Small Business Development - Wednesday, April 28, 2021 -MORE INFO
- Cultural Intelligence: Unconscious Bias Affects Everyone - Wednesday, May 05, 2021 - MORE INFO
- Technology: Safety and Security Made Simple - Wednesday, May 12, 2021 – MORE INFO
- Executive Summit: Economic Forecasting with Census Data - Wednesday, May 26, 2021 - MORE INFO

### **MLA Newsletter Archives**

Senate Bill 611 is now Public Act 315 of 2020 and amends the Library Privacy Act. The law goes into effect on March 29, 2021. The greatest change to the Michigan Library Privacy Act is clarifying that a library record does not include video surveillance and that video surveillance can be turned over to law enforcement without a court order if it shows no identifying records. Register MLA Connect webinar scheduled for Tuesday, March 16, 2021, at 10:00 am to learn more. This is an in-depth follow-up to the Library of Michigan's Library Law Spotlight that was presented on January 27th. View details and register

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CE STIPEND: For virtual conferences or workshops, Library of Michigan will reimburse the actual cost of registration for accepted applicants up to \$500. With this funding opportunity consider attending an event virtually if you can. During these hectic times, it can help to learn from our colleagues about how they are handling the issues and needs of their communities. To allow for more flexibility LM is temporarily reviewing applications monthly rather than quarterly. Apply at: <a href="https://www.michigan.gov/libraryofmichigan/0.932">https://www.michigan.gov/libraryofmichigan/0.932</a> 7,7-381-88855 89737-359559—,00.html

### Library of Michigan Continuing Education



### (www.michigan.gov/libraryce)

Find Library of Michigan webinars and register online by clicking the name of the event in the <a href="Upcoming Training in Date Order">Upcoming Training in Date Order</a> or by visiting the <a href="Calendar View">Calendar View</a> and finding the event.

### March-April Schedule:

### Uniform Chart of Accounts Update 03/02/2021 02:00 PM - 03:30 PM ET

Webinar link will be sent to registered attendees one day before event. The Uniform Chart of Accounts provides a systematic arrangement and means for uniform accumulation, recording, and reporting of financial information and transactions for Michigan local units of government.

### <u>Grant Writing 101 – Lessons Learned from a</u> <u>First Time Grant Recipient with June Power</u>

03/03/2021 02:00 PM - 03:00 PM ET PCI Webinars use the GoToMeeting platform. This webinar is designed to share best practices for writing grant proposals and how to utilize grant funding once your proposal has been accepted. Topics include how to write a grant, budgeting issues, grant reporting and management, and common pitfalls.

#### Mindfulness: Begin with a Breath

03/08/2021 01:30 PM - 02:30 PM ET MSUE Webinars use the Zoom platform. Our stress cues can be signals for us to take a breath and engage in some mindful moments. This is an introduction to mindfulness and its benefits. Topics include how stress affects the brain, exploring personal resilience to stress, mindful breathing and mindful movement.

#### **Trustee Training 101**

03/10/2021 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM ET

Webinar link will be sent to registered attendees one day before event. An introduction to being a Library Trustee. What to know, who to ask and how to avoid pitfalls.

# <u>Leading During a Crisis Part 1 What is Crisis</u> <u>Communication and Crisis Leadership?</u> <u>w/Chris Woltjer</u>

03/10/2021 02:00 PM - 03:00 PM ET PCI Webinars use the GoToMeeting platform. Provides the necessary understanding of crisis communication and how to navigate leadership responsibilities during these times.

### Trustee Training 102: Advanced Trustee 03/17/2021 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM ET

Webinar link will be sent to registered attendees one day before event. This session

will build on the information in "Library Board 101" and discuss topics such as handling board discord, member recruitment, officer duties and more.

### <u>Leadership in Libraries: Observations from the Director's Seat with Douglas Crane</u>

03/17/2021 02:00 PM - 03:00 PM ET

PCI Webinars use the GoToMeeting platform. Between a pandemic, political partisanship, and fast changing technology, public libraries are experiencing dramatic changes and challenges. To survive, exceptional leadership is required from our Library Directors.

### Build a Bigger Vocabulary

03/23/2021 02:00 PM - 03:00 PM ET
Webinar link will be sent to registered
attendees one day before event. Expand your
storytimes with Ready to Read Michigan, as
we explore vocabulary!

## Creating a Culture of Caring: Practical Approaches to Support Young Adult Wellbeing & Mental Health

03/24/2021 02:00 PM - 03:00 PM ET PCI Webinars use the GoToMeeting platform. Student mental health is a growing concern among high schools, colleges and universities, particularly in light of COVID-19. Students are seeking connection and help, and community members are uniquely positioned to identify and support struggling young adults.

### <u>Leading During a Crisis Part 2 How to Develop</u> <u>a Crisis Strategy with Gavin Woltjer</u>

03/31/2021 02:00 PM - 03:00 PM ET PCI Webinars use the GoToMeeting platform. Knowing how to communicate is the first step

toward addressing a crisis situation.

Developing a plan is the next step. How does one plan for a pandemic? Numerous strategies already exist.

### Secrets to Climbing the Management Ladder with Katherine Burik

**04/07/2021 02:00 PM - 03:00 PM ET**PCI Webinars use the GoToMeeting platform. Learn secrets to climbing the management ladder in this interactive session. Brainstorm with other ambitious leaders to create your own personal career plan. Leverage the experience of our facilitator who was a Vice President at age 30 and avoid the "rookie mistakes" that can derail your goals.

### LSTA Improving Access to Information Grant Application Webinar

04/08/2021 02:00 PM - 03:00 PM ET

Webinar link will be sent to registered attendees one day before event. The Library of Michigan's Improving Access to Information grant program for 2021 is open. This webinar will provide an overview of the grant priorities, the application questions, process and timeline. The webinar will include a presentation and a Q & A period.

#### Mindfulness: Kind Mind

04/12/2021 01:30 PM - 03:30 PM ET MSUE Webinars use the Zoom platform. Mindfulness gives us the ability to observe our thoughts from an outside perspective. Develop your "detached observer" to put some distance between you and the drama in your mind. Focus on paying mindful attention to your thoughts, learn the importance of self-compassion, how to "de-fuse" harsh thinking and harness the power of acceptance and gratitude to relieve stress.

### The Virtual Reference Interview with Diana Silveira

04/14/2021 02:00 PM - 03:00 PM ET PCI Webinars use the GoToMeeting platform. In the online world, how do you deliver service excellence? In this interactive webinar, we will explore tips and techniques to engage users, provide a positive experience, and help users to the best of our ability.

#### <u>YALSA: Transforming Teen Services – a</u> <u>Michigan Cohort</u>

04/19/2021 01:00 PM - 05/10/2021 02:30 PM
Webinar link will be sent to registered
attendees one day before event.
Transforming Teen Services is an initiative of
the Young Adult Library Services Association
(YALSA), a division of ALA. Transforming Teen
Services aims to support and elevate teen
services by integrating connected learning,
computational thinking, and youth
development to help build responsive services
for and with teens.

### Best Storytime Practices: The Power of Prewriting and Writing Activities with Kids

04/20/2021 02:00 PM - 03:00 PM ET Webinar link will be sent to registered attendees one day before event. Expand your storytimes with Ready to Read Michigan and explore pre-writing & writing activities & tips.

#### Leading During a Crisis Part 3 How to Be Proactive During a Crisis with Gavin Woltjer 04/21/2021 02:00 PM - 03:00 PM ET

PCI Webinars use the GoToMeeting platform. Building upon knowledge of crisis communication, effective leadership, and different crisis planning strategies, this presentation explores how to use this knowledge in a proactive manner.

#### Pages Against Prejudice with Jeanne Holba Puacz

04/28/2021 02:00 PM - 03:00 PM ET PCI Webinars use the GoToMeeting platform. Young people face discrimination in many forms: race, religion, orientation, and more. Could we, instead, focus on building anti-discrimination collections to support our youth? In this program, you will get tips on how to evaluate your existing collection: identify additional titles, organize displays, and design programming to highlight anti-discrimination in your library.

### Collaborate with Positivity: Improv Superpowers to Improve Team Communication & Resilience

04/29/2021 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM ET
Webinar link will be sent to registered
attendees one day before event. Two-Hour
Remote Interactive Presentation with Pam
Victor, President, Happier Valley Comedy. We
ask you attend live!

### **PLA On-Demand Webinars**



**Skilling for Employment Post COVID-19** 





### The Foundations of Digital Literacy workshop

is designed to help library staff gain confidence in everyday interactions with technology. Includes basic understanding of hardware - internal and external components of various devices, how various types of networks function, the composition of webpages and websites, browsers and their functionality, search engines and tips to perform an effective web search, how to evaluate search results, and information on digital privacy and cybersecurity. The workshops run for a two-day period from 10am - 12:30pm Eastern (9am - 11:30am Central) via Zoom each day. To register or for more information, visit the MCLS store, or click the dates below:

> March 18-19 March 30-31

Similar but different - new digital literacy virtual workshop for Michigan library staff. MCLS in partnership with the Library of Michigan, designed this workshop to equip you with tools and a process to help you build a learning plan around technology and digital literacy skills for library staff. This workshop is being offered multiple times through April and May. \$15. MORE INFORMATION



### WebJunction Webinars Archive, course catalog

All WebJunction webinars are recorded and available for free in the <u>Course Catalog</u>.

#### View Archived Session:

Collections and Facilities: Caring for Your Resources During COVID-19



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University of Michigan School of Information Library Webinars



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"spotting fake news" from Cornell University: <a href="https://guides.library.cornell.edu/">https://guides.library.cornell.edu/</a> evaluate news/infographic

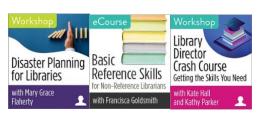
















Public libraries are encouraged to reach out to their tech directors to be connected to the <u>MiSEN</u> - Michigan's State Education Network.



Broadband Maps - Michigan









The Schools, Health, and Libraries
Broadband Coalition
has issued a policy roadmap for 2021, laying out its mission

of supplying internet access to an estimated 42 million unconnected people in the US. At the heart of the solution is reliance on "community anchor institutions" such as K-12 districts, colleges and universities, libraries, hospitals, health clinics, public housing communities, and houses of worship....

#### Connecting Michigan Taskforce Virtual Listening Tour

Join the virtual listening and learning tour to discuss broadband and technology in the state. Local and regional stakeholders are invited to participate in order to learn more about the taskforce, hear about federal and state broadband efforts, and provide your insights and feedback to the taskforce on broadband issues and solutions in your community. Register for one of the twelve available listening sessions here:

<a href="https://connectednation.org/michigan/connecting-michigan-taskforce-virtual-listening-tour/">https://connectednation.org/michigan/connecting-michigan-taskforce-virtual-listening-tour/</a>. Scroll down on this web page to see a map and all of the available dates for the various regions and meetings.

### **Grant Opportunities:**





### <u>MMLL Library Service</u> <u>Expansion and Mini-Grant</u> <u>Program, FY21</u>

Your grant committee is Diane Eisenga, Tracy Logan-Walker, and Kathleen Rash. Round 2 grants announced March 5th

See the website for all the information!!!

Community Blog
Grants Learning Center







The Library of Michigan LSTA grants programs are open for 2021! Two grants programs open for applications this year. Detailed information on the grant programs, including timelines, applicant eligibility, and the applications are available in the respective grant sections.

www.michigan.gov/lsta

Grant Writing and Management Track

### techsoup

#### FOR LIBRARIES

Check out our new five-course on-demand track to help you acquire all of the basic tools you need to launch or improve your grant writing and management work. This five-course Grant Writing and Management series aims at providing you the solid foundation you need to start (or continue) winning grants!



Arts and Humanities Touring Grants opened February 1 – don't forget to apply! The Arts



and Humanities
Touring Program is a
collaboration with
Michigan Humanities
and Michigan Council
for Arts and Cultural

Affairs. Applications opened February 1 for performances that will take place between March 1, 2021, and May 31, 2021. See the Michigan Humanities website for other 2021 funding window dates and application

deadlines. Be sure to check out the new "Virtual Programming" category.

Humanities Grants – Spring 2021 Humanities

Grant draft proposals are currently being accepted with a final application deadline of **March 18**. Read about our past grantees by clicking Learn More

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EBSCO Solar - Now Open for 2021 - Grants Available for Libraries Looking to Go Green This year, EBSCP is providing a total of \$200,000 in grants available for libraries looking to fund a library solar project to offset electricity costs. If you're eager to show your community the benefits of solar energy or to add to your sustainability plans, consider applying to the EBSCO Solar Grant Program now through May 3rd. The winner will be announced online in June 2021. MORE INFORMATION



The Michigan Center for the Book is the Michigan affiliate of the National Center for the Book at the Library of Congress. It is a program of the Library of Michigan and its affiliates. To learn more about the Michigan Center for the Book and to find information on the benefits of being a local affiliate, please visit

www.Michigan.gov/MCFB.



2021 Talk Story Grants - Talk Story is a literacy program that caters to American Indian, Asian, and Pacific Islander families, celebrating their stories through books, storytelling, and art. Once again, AILA and APALA have partnered on this grant program to allocate funding to libraries and community organizations to help them implement Talk Story programs. Past grant winners have included language programs, early childhood literacy, youth identity development, and a variety of arts programming including dance, music, and writing. Applications are due by April 1, 2021. Eligibility details and past winners can be found at www.talkstorytogether.org/grants.

### **₩**SCHOLASTIC

https://www.scholastic.com/librarian s/programs/grants.htm



American Library Association's resource for researchers of all levels of experience in school, academic, and public libraries. Here you can find <u>links to major grant resources</u>, guides and books on achieving grant writing success.

The Library of Michigan is sending to each library a box of FIVE copies of the Library Trustee Manual, 2021 edition. It is also online.



#### WWW.MICHIGAN.GOV/LIBRARYTRUSTEE

The Library of Michigan Trustee Resources page is full of good information to share with your library Board! Check it out <u>HERE</u>

### Youth Services:



Ready to Read Michigan: In the last year we have all experienced change and growth with our traditional library programs, and Ready to Read Michigan (RTRM) is also experiencing a shift. The Library of Michigan has transitioned

RTRM to a program that focuses on supporting public library staff as they model early literacy skill development



directly to families and caregivers with young children (ages birth to 5). RTRM will continue to train and support public library staff as they engage in outreach to families and caregivers, as well as early childhood centers, schools, and daycares in their community. RTRM will no longer create and provide materials around a specific book title. At the end of 2020, RTRM created the Ready to Read Michigan Toolkit: Workshops for Parents and Early Childhood **Educators** and offered a virtual training series with Dr. Betsy Diamant-Cohen. As RTRM moves forward, additional workshops and webinars will continue to be offered to library staff on best practices in early literacy. There are also many printable resources available on our new website, www.ReadytoReadMi.org. Library of Michigan purchased for public libraries across Michigan the PLA 2021 Early Literacy Activities Calendar and the Every Child Ready to Read Toolkit for Serving Early Childhood Educators. Links to download those materials were sent to directors in October, but if you did not receive the materials please email Cathy Lancaster at

<u>LancasterC5@Michigan.gov</u> from an official work email for the links to download.

Upcoming 2021 RTRM Training:
Helping Children Build a Bigger Vocabulary
March 23, 2021, 2:00 PM – 3:00 PM ET
Storytelling and Narrative Coach, Jenifer
Strauss will use the five practices of early
literacy featured in *Ready to Read Michigan* to
present activities designed to intentionally
provide young patrons with a plethora of
interactive vocabulary building opportunities.

### The Power of Pre-writing and Writing Activities with Kids

April 20, 2021, 2:00 PM – 3:00 PM ET Storytelling and Literacy Coach, Jenifer Strauss will share a process for providing engaging writing activities in your storytime plans to enrich your programs and provide parents with ways to extend the language experience when they get home.





### Collaborative Summer Library Program







Covid-19 Publisher Information Directory

### 2021 Youth Media Award Winners



The American Indian Library Association and your Saginaw Chippewa Tribal Libraries invite



you to participate in the inaugural **Read Native challenge**. With

this challenge we support and recognize our Indigenous authors, scientists, legislators, storytellers, and creators throughout the year, not just during the national Native American Heritage month.

https://ailanet.org/readnative21/
Read Native 2021 challenge on Facebook:
https://www.facebook.com/readnative21



# United for Libraries Association of Library Trustees, Advocates, Friends and Foundations

<u>United for Libraries</u> - the American Library Association (ALA) division supporting library trustees, friends, foundations, and advocates. To access the resources, visit www.ala.org/united

- Click on the STATEWIDE ACCESS FIND YOUR STATE blue bar
- Scroll down to MICHIGAN
- REGISTER to use the resources
- For future access simply login to your account under MICHIGAN

#### Money Smart Kids Read

Order your free copies of this year's book to libraries across Michigan for use in money-themed story time events during the month of April, 2021. These events will probably look a little different



this year; they might zoom, or be live on facebook, or part of a grab-and-go project, but we can't wait to see how you use this wonderful resource! The 2021 Michigan Money Smart Kids Read book is Cinders McLeod's

### Moneybunny book, "Give Itl".

Your requested number of books will ship from the Novi Public Library via RIDES/TLN on March 8th. <u>Place your request HERE</u>.

Special thanks to our loyal partners, the Library of Michigan, and the Michigan Credit Union Foundation! Questions about the Michigan Financial Wellness Network, Money Smart Michigan Month and Money Smart Kids Read may be directed to Kelly Masters, at Money Smart Michigan@gmail.com

First Financial Empowerment Curriculum
Launched - Lt. Gov. Garlin Gilchrist II on Dec. 7
announced that Henry Ford College and
Dearborn Public Schools have launched the
state's first Financial Empowerment
Curriculum that teaches our youth the basic
principles of managing their money. To learn
more about the MI Financial Literacy initiative,
go to <a href="www.michigan.gov/finlit">www.michigan.gov/finlit</a>. You can find
resources here to support programming from

your library on financial literacy.

What You Should Know About COVID-19 and the ADA, the Rehabilitation Act, and Other EEO Laws

<u>Kanopy Town Hall</u> – also on the Kanopy site: <u>recording of the town hall</u>, along with <u>slides</u> to follow along.

Gale Support Webinar Archive

Biblioboard webinar: recording link

MDHHS has begun to offer free Naloxone to organizations through a request form. Also, there is a project distributing Naloxone that serves Wexford, Missaukee and Lake Counties: https://nmorc.org/

### HealthCare.gov

Now open again in Michigan! A special enrollment period for all Michiganders will be open **February 15 to May 15, 2021** at <u>HealthCare.gov</u>. Before that time, you may be eligible to enroll if you've experienced a qualifying life event.



VACCINE CONSIDERATIONS – Clare Membiela explains legal details here!





PUBLIC LIBRARY FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT COHORT - Certification Program

<u>Learn more and join the cohort!</u>

# Does Your Library Have a Website?

Consider the Ploud website you can use easily, with help! It is subsidized by federal LSTA dollars to help YOU provide service to the public! Cost to libraries is \$208 a year. Intent to join must be received by March 5 for the April training group. (The next onboarding group deadline is November 1).

The training/workshop schedule for the next onboarding group is:

- Workshop One: Tuesday, April 6<sup>th</sup>, 10:00-11:00 AM/ET
- Workshop Two: Thursday, April 8th, 10:00-11:00 AM/ET
- Workshop Three: Tuesday, April 13<sup>th</sup>, 10:00-11:00 AM/ET
- Workshop Four: Thursday, April 15th, 10:00-11:00 AM/ET

Feel free to contact Sonya Schryer Norris at the Library of Michigan with questions or for a demo.

And, do not forget these other sources filled with information for you:



**Primary Source** 





