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News of Interest

April 2017



Member Happenings

- ◆ The Reed City Area District Library has a new director. Welcome Tom Burnosky! There will be a reception on May 27th from 5-7 p.m. to meet Tom and discuss the future of the library.
- ◆ The Pentwater Township Library is still closed for remodeling over the next three months. They are scheduled for re-opening June 1st.
- ◆ Leelanau Township Library is in the process of hiring a new director
- ◆ The Manistee County Library has posted a position: head of circulation. Details. They also have posted information about the director search, as Chuck Haemker is leaving at the end of September. [Details.](#)
- ◆ The Darcy Library of Beulah is looking for a director. [Details.](#)
- ◆ McBain's team was the winner of the Battle of the Books northern Michigan! Congratulations, all!



- ◆ Bellaire Public Library and Glen Lake Community Library were chosen as sites for Michigan Reads! Author Lisa Wheeler to visit. Photos are from the Bellaire program.



National Library Week

Celebrate National Library Week

April 9-15, 2017

Libraries Transform will return as the theme for National Library Week 2017, reminding all Americans that today's libraries are not just about what they have for people, but what they do for and with people. Increasingly, libraries are places of creativity where people can meet to share a hobby, use a 3D printer, edit a video, or use software to record their own music. Libraries offer access to the tools, technology and training essential to the economic and cultural lives of their communities. Soccer great Julie Foudy to serve as National Library Week Honorary Chair. <http://www.ilovelibraries.org/national-library-week>



National Library Legislative Day

At the last Board meeting of the Mid-Michigan Library League, the expenditure of \$2,000 was approved to send two people to Washington, D.C. for Legislative Day. The individuals going are not yet confirmed, but we hope to make clear points to our legislators that federal funding for libraries represents an excellent return on investment and benefits our society in very positive ways. Those not attending the day on "the hill" can still participate in the Virtual Library Legislative Day. [Details.](#)



Between April 22-29, 2017, libraries and communities across the country will be hosting financial education events for people of all ages, including youth! Michigan libraries have a unique opportunity to obtain free copies of the Step Into Reading book, [A Dollar For Penny](#), to give away to children – if your library agrees to host a money-themed story time event during Money Smart Week.

The Michigan Credit Union League & Affiliates has once again generously offered to purchase copies of this book for you to hand out at a story time. More than 200 Michigan libraries successfully participated in "Money Smart Kids Read" last year! To participate, see details at <http://www.MoneySmartWeek.org/>.



Upcoming Trainings

IN PERSON:

MMLL Workshop: Community data and engagement – hands-on training with Kimberly Young

Get to know the people you serve in a whole new way! Everything from their shopping habits to what they do for fun is waiting for you to discover. The importance of demographic data in our decision making process is important, especially when budgets are tight. This hands on workshop will allow you to access the information relevant to your community and your decisions, leaving you empowered. Become an evidence based data driven decision maker!

TWO LOCATIONS:

Morton Township Public Library
May 11th 1-5 p.m.

~OR~

Bellaire Public Library
May 25th 1-5 p.m.

<http://mml.org/workshops.html>

Beginning Workshop –

May 17-19, 2017

This annual 3-day event is geared for library staff members that have not had formal library coursework. Its aim is to offer practical skills attendees can use working in a Michigan public library. Anyone new to the profession or just hired at a library, no matter what their academic credentials, is welcome to attend the event. Certification for those seeking an initial Level 3 or Level 4 certificate from the Library of Michigan. For more information on Library of Michigan's certification program visit the [Library Certification](#) page. [Register here.](#)
May 17-19, Shanty Creek Resort, Bellaire
[2017 Attendee Information Packet & Agenda](#)



HARD WIRED FOR STORY!

With Jenifer Strauss

Presented by the Lakeland Library Cooperative Continuing Education Committee

Date & Location:

Friday April 28th 2017

9:00-12:00

Sign-In 8:45-9:00

Fremont Area District Library

104 E. Main St. Fremont, Mi. 49412

Participants may call (616) 559-5253 ext. 210 on the morning of the meeting to find out if the event has been cancelled.

Register online at: <http://arwen.ilcoop.org>

Registration Deadline: April 19th, 2017 (No cancellations/refunds after this date)

Cost: \$15 to LLC Members

\$30 to Non-LLC Members



Workshops offered: PLA's Project Outcome

At the conclusion of these workshops, participants will:

- Understand how measuring outcomes can help demonstrate community impact;
- Know what is included in the Project Outcome toolkit and how participating libraries are using it; and
- Be able to apply the toolkit in their library.

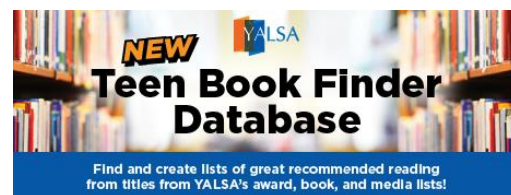
April 17 – University Center, Mt. Pleasant

April 27 – Redford Township District Library, Redford

April 28 – Portage District Library, Portage

May 4 – Peter White Public Library, Marquette

Click [HERE](#) to register for this workshop



OCTOBER 18-20 MLA 2017 Lansing

[Michigan Library Association
calendar of events](#)

Scheduled and on-demand WEBINARS:

April 20, 11:00 a.m. – Tumblebooks demo webinar

What - learn about TumbleBook Library, TumbleBookCloud, and AudioBookCloud. TumbleBookLibrary is a collection of over 1000 eBook titles for elementary schools and public libraries. TumbleBookLibrary subscription is a collection including animated talking picture books, chapter books, videos, non-fiction titles, music playlists, books in languages other than English such as French and Spanish, graphic novels as well as math stories and so much more. TumbleBookCloud is an online database of e-books and other digital content featuring over 1000 titles, including student-favorite Graphic Novels, enhanced e-books with full audio narration and highlighted text, classic literature, national geographic videos, and more. This resource supports a wide range of readers' interests and levels with hundreds of High-Interest/Low-Level content. AudioBookCloud is an online collection of audio books with unlimited streaming access. No downloads, no software, no wait. This collection offers over 1400 audiobooks with titles ranging from classic literature, to science fiction, to contemporary blockbusters to everything in between.

Who - anyone interested in learning more about TumbleBooks for their library.

How – [register here](#)

Trainer - Jacqui Liepshutz, Vice President, Sales

Please visit

<http://mml.org/workshops.html>

for more information about workshops and webinars.

Scroll down the page for archives.



PLA on-demand webinars:

<http://www.ala.org/pla/onlinelearning/webinars/ondemand>



Build Your Political Literacy Skills for Advocacy

Tuesday, April 25, 2017 ♦ 3:00 pm Eastern
Advocacy efforts to sustain funding for your library are crucial in the best of times. Challenging times call for new ways to engage and activate advocates for your library. Level up your political savviness by taking lessons from successful campaigns. Whether or not you have a library ballot measure on the horizon, learn how to put these proven techniques to work for your library funding requests. Explore innovative options to energize, focus and build your skills and confidence. You'll come away with actionable tips and tools to market your library to garner a wide base of support from your community constituents.

This webinar is hosted in collaboration with the Association for Rural and Small Libraries.

Presented by: John Chrastka, Executive Director, EveryLibrary; and Carrie Andrew, Director, Lone Cone Library District, Norwood, CO [Registration](#)



[MCLS Training Calendar](#)

Current and archived MeL trainings are at:

<http://mcls.org/mel/mel-training-events/>



Grant Opportunities

[UDIM Summer Feeding Community Mini-Grant for Summer 2017](#)

The Summer Food Service Program was created to ensure that children in lower-income areas could continue to receive nutritious meals during school vacations. Hunger does not take a summer vacation.

The 2017 Arts & Humanities Touring Grant application

Performances/presentations can occur beginning on December 1, 2016 through August 30, 2017. Events outside these dates are not eligible for a Touring Grant.

To be eligible for a grant, your application must be received at least four weeks before the date of the performance/presentation. (Exception: Events occurring December 1 through December 15, 2016 must be received three weeks before the date of the performance/presentation.)

- Arts & Humanities Touring Grants are processed in the order received until the grant funding is expended. We encourage your organization to apply early.

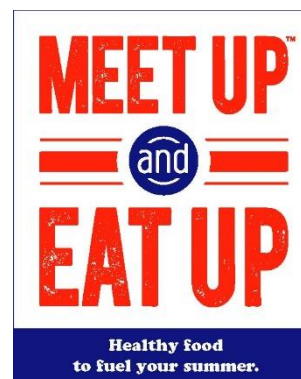
Click [here](#) to view the 2015-18 Arts & Humanities Touring Directory.



Freedom To Read

Scholarships and grants

[APPLY HERE](#) for the 2017 Banned Books Week event grants



Summer Reading Manual information:

Just a reminder that the manuals were shipped in USB format to all public library locations in Michigan, in November. The USBs were shipped in yellow padded mailers along with the Upstart Catalog, a letter explaining SRC 2017 and directions for the downloadable manual. It was our first year of the USBs so I know many looked for a DVD and might not have emptied their envelope completely, thereby discarding the light weight USB. The upside of all this is that the CSLP manual is available in its entirety online! You do need to login at www.csllpreads.org and apply for the online code under Proprietary Downloads. Also online you'll find the clipart, fonts, PSAs, posters & more. The best part is that since it's all online, you just have to share the code with your co-workers and they can all access it through their own accounts. Please note that this is a good time to explore the online manual, as we'll be moving towards that format in the future.

Please remember that CSLP is a public library program and materials/logins cannot be shared with other organizations. I do have a handful of manuals still available on USB and a few paper copies, first come first serve, as well as a number of Upstart catalogs. Contact me off list if you need anything or if you have further questions.
~Cathy Lancaster

Benzonia remodel of the children's area! Nice 😊



Congratulations to Big Rapids, Houghton Lake, Mason County District, and Morton Township libraries! Each will have a Michigan Notable Book author visit to their library!

[April 5th – John Smolens at Big Rapids]
 April 10th – Steve Lehto at Houghton Lake
 June 8th – Wade Rose at Morton Township
 June 27th John Smolens at Mason County DL

The Globe Program



MeL Training

MeL Promotion

MeL Information

When linking to specific MeL.org eResources (databases), feel free to use the icon found in the alphabetic list of databases. These are custom designed for MeL and are freely available for you to right click with your mouse and save to your computer to use on your own site.

Remember to use the Geo-IP address url for the eResource. These are found by clicking on "More" in the resource description. Using any other url will prevent your users from freely and directly accessing MeL eResources.

Although our selection of eResources hasn't changed in the past year, make sure you are linking to what is currently available through the MeL subscriptions. The alphabetic list found under [Databases](#) on MeL.org is accurate.

If you link to the MeLCat catalog (new or classic version) label it as MeLCat, not MeL.



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MeLCat Users Day 2017

Locations and Dates:

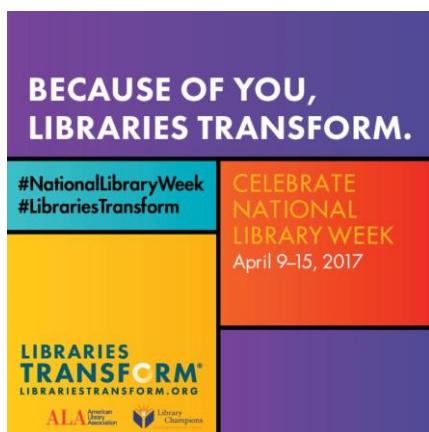
- [Delta Township District Library](#) - Tuesday, July 11, 1 - 4pm
- [Bloomfield Township Public Library](#) - Thursday, July 13, 9:30am - 12:30pm
- [Portage District Library](#) - Tuesday, July 18, 1 - 4pm
- [Saline District Library](#) - Thursday, July 20, 9:30am - 12:30pm
- [Peter White Public Library](#) - Wednesday, July 26, 9:30am - 12:30pm
- [Devereaux Memorial Library](#) - Thursday, July 27, 9:30am - 12:30pm

Help determine the program content by completing a very brief [survey](#). Sign up to attend [here](#).



THE GREAT READING ADVENTURE

is a robust, open source software designed to manage library reading programs. It is free to use, modify and share!



REIMAGINED LIBRARY SERVICES FOR AND WITH TEENS

Leadership (Active, Proactive, Teen-Driven): Amplify the voices of all teens, including historically marginalized youth; Model reflective risk-taking and continuous learning; Position teens as experts other teens and adults turn to.

Learning (Connected, Social, Authentic, Diverse): Make learning a year-round focus; Promote social emotional learning; Identify and build on teen interests; Provide opportunities for teens to gain job skills and explore career pathways.

Community (Supportive, Inclusive): Build strong partnerships for collective impact; Embrace the library's diverse user base to create opportunities for cross-cultural and inter-generational interaction; Connect teens with mentors; Go into the community to serve teens where they are.

Creativity (Innovative, Solutions-Based): Give teens opportunities to create and share authentic, meaningful content; Facilitate self-expression in a variety of forms; Support innovative, collaborative problem-solving.

Digital Citizenship (Global, Ethical, Equitable): Ensure equitable access to help close the opportunity gap; Leverage the technology tools that teens already use; Provide opportunities for teens to learn and use digital citizenship skills.

Literacies (Critical, Multimodal, Active): Leverage the breadth and depth of library resources to highlight multiple literacies; Promote a critical stance; Affirm multiple forms of knowledge; Promote literature that reflects and honors the lives of all teens; Facilitate Youth Participatory Action Research (YPAR).

Yalsa Young Adult Library Service Association <http://www.yalsa.org/yalsa/teens-first> Created by Casey Rawson, UNC Chapel Hill

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