

Mid-Michigan Library League



Dr. Carla Hayden, Librarian of Congress



News of Interest March 2018



Member Happenings



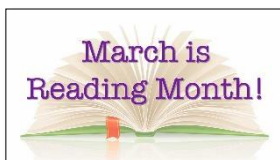
The Big Rapids Community Library has a seed library!



Pentwater Township Library received flowers from Biblionix Apollo, their new integrated Library System!



If you are interested in Apollo, contact your cooperative director!



[March is Reading Month! Online Resources - State of Michigan](#)

Congratulations to Grantees!

The following libraries were funded by the Mid-Michigan Library League Library Expansion & Mini-Grant Program:

- Alden District Library \$278
- Bellaire Public Library \$750
- Hart Area Public Library \$250
- Leelanau Township Library \$400
- Luther Area Public Library \$850
- McBain Community Library \$250
- Morton Township Public Library \$250
- Pentwater Township Library \$650
- Richfield Township Public Library \$250
- Richland Township Library \$200
- Seville Township Library \$250

TOTAL FUNDING: \$4,378

Special Order Opportunity

"It's me Tom Daldin from the Emmy Award winning PBS television program *"Under the Radar Michigan."* Hope you're well and staying warm. I am contacting you to see if you'd like to purchase some of our books for your library cooperative.

- *"Under the Radar - The First Fifty"* which follows the adventures of our first 50 shows and

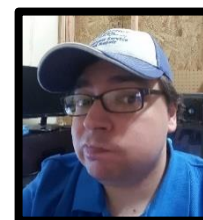
- *"Under the Radar - The Next 50"* which ... well, you get the idea. The books retail for \$24.95 but we are making them available to libraries for **\$16.00**. This helps us spread the good word about Michigan and also fund our program. We also have DVDs of our first 7 seasons available for **\$20.00** a season. Sincerely, Tom (what town am I in today) Daldin"

TO ORDER: <http://mml.cloud.net/a/discounts>

Use your Tech Hours!!!

Emergency Geek
Cory Walker

All MMLL member libraries were credited at the beginning of the fiscal year with four hours of paid tech support provided by the [Emergency Geek](#), Cory Walker, with mileage covered by the cooperative.



So far, Cory has only been out to **FIVE** libraries, so if you need tech assistance, now is the time! See the information posted online at <http://mml.cloud.net/a/tech-corner>.

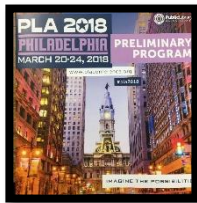


Upcoming Trainings IN PERSON:



PLA 2018 Conference registration & housing now open. <http://www.placonference.org/>
The 2018 Conference, "Imagine the Possibilities," will be held **March 20-24** in the heart of downtown Philadelphia with most events taking place at the [Pennsylvania Convention Center](#).

For complete details, visit the [conference website](#).



Virtual Conference registration now open

Deadline: March 14, 2018, 5:30 PM Eastern

PLA is offering a great way to participate in and enjoy the PLA Conference, even if you can't be there with us in Philadelphia. The PLA 2018 Virtual Conference will consist of live programming on Thursday, March 22, and Friday, March 23, including five hour-long programs each day, plus author interviews and opportunities for networking. Programs are chosen from among the highest rated in PLA's session preference survey. [Learn more and register...](#)



PLA's Year in Review 2017



Spring Institute 2018

[MLA Spring Institute 2018](#)

Growing, Networking and Inspiring!

March 22 - 23, 2018

GVSU L.V. Eberhard Center
Grand Rapids, Michigan



LOLETA FYAN 2018 Small and Rural Libraries Conference

April 30-May 2, 2018

The 2018 Loleta Fyan Small and Rural Libraries Conference will be at the Grand Traverse Resort in Acme, Michigan. The theme, following the current library topic of diversity and inclusion, is "Open Doors, Open Minds." <http://michigan.gov/fyanconference>

Beginning Workshop - May 16-18, 2018:

www.michigan.gov/beginningworkshop

An annual 3-day event held each spring for library staff without a Master's degree in Library Science. Beginning Workshop is a requirement to obtain Level 3 or Level 4 Library of Michigan [certification](#).



[Library of Michigan Continuing Education Page](#)

Michigan Library Association calendar of events



Public libraries that serve small and/or rural communities are invited to apply for a travel stipend to attend a one-day dialogue and deliberation pre-conference workshop at the 2018 American Library Association (ALA) Annual Conference in New Orleans. Follow link below - Libraries Transforming Communities.



Facilitation training for Michigan library staff

Presenters from [We Can Work It Out, LLC](#) will be coming to Michigan this spring to lead trainings on facilitation. Trainings are open to staff of Michigan libraries, especially those who have gone through [The Harwood Institute](#) Public Innovators labs, to help increase skills and knowledge for successful community engagement.



[Read more and register>>](#)

Scheduled and on-demand WEBINARS and ONLINE CLASSES:



WebJunction®
The learning place for libraries.

Don't forget that we are able to take webinars from [WebJunction](#) at no cost!

ABA - Advocacy Boot Camp Coming to Michigan in April 2018

MLA and the Coop Directors Association (CDA) will bring the ALA Advocacy Bootcamp to Lansing, Michigan on **April 20, 2018**. Watch for registration to open in October.

The program will cover advocacy basics such as messaging, networking and community engagement. Intellectual Freedom basics will also be covered. Attendees will focus on working on an advocacy plan that they can implement in their library. Stay tuned!



The University of Michigan School of Information is now offering a set of online library management courses through the edX.org platform:

Public Library Management: Identifying Community Needs This 4-week self-paced course is taught by UM-SLIS faculty member Kristin Fontichiaro. Visit the edX website for complete details and links to register for this course.
<https://www.edx.org/course/identifying-community-needs-public-michiganx-publib601x>

Personnel Management for Public Libraries This 4-week self-paced course is taught by Josie Barnes Parker, director of the Ann Arbor District Library. Visit the edX website for complete details and links to register for this course.
<https://www.edx.org/course/personnel-management-public-libraries-michiganx-publib603x>

Budgeting and Finance for Public Libraries This 4-week self-paced course is taught by Larry Neal, director of the Clinton-Macomb Public Library. Visit the edX website for complete details and links to register for this course.
<https://www.edx.org/course/budgeting-finance-public-libraries-michiganx-publib604>

Managing a Diverse and Inclusive Workplace for Public Libraries This 4-week self-paced course is taught by [Lionel P. Robert Jr.](#), associate professor, UMSI. Visit the edX website for complete details and links to register for this course.
<https://www.edx.org/course/managing-diverse-inclusive-workplace-michiganx-publib602x>

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[MCLS Training Calendar](#)



Understanding Power, Identity, and Oppression in the Public Library
A FREE on-demand webinar

Panelists: Katie Dover-Taylor, Jody Gray & Amita Lonial
In alignment with ALA's strategic direction on equity, diversity, and



inclusion, this on-demand webinar provides an introductory understanding of the concepts of power, identity, and oppression, and how they impact public libraries' staff, services, programs, collections, and spaces. Through presentation and dialogue, the panelists discuss the role of allies in addressing these concepts. [More...](#)

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**MeL Training**



**Gale's Training page for MeL**

Current and archived MeL trainings are at:  
<http://mcls.org/mel/mel-training-events/>



**MeL Promotion**  
MeL [YouTube channel](#)

**MeL Information**

[Contact MeL staff](#)

MeL Databases: MeL Statistics for Patron's Research – **March 28, 3:30pm Eastern**  
<https://store.mcls.org/index.php/mel-databases-mel-statistics-for-patrons-research.html>

MARC Records from MeL: Boost Your Catalog with MeL Subscription Content – **April 25, 3:30pm Eastern**

<https://store.mcls.org/index.php/mel-databases-marc-records-from-mel-boost-your-catalog-with-mel-subscription-content.html>

Readers Advisory for Youth: MeL as Your RA Partner – **May 23, 3:30pm Eastern**  
<https://store.mcls.org/index.php/mel-databases-readers-advisory-for-youth-mel-as-your-ra-partner.html>

**Archived MeL Webinars:**

- [MeL statistics for libraries](#) (Jan 2018)
- [MeL school projects resources](#) (Dec 2017)
- [Market research and community data for entrepreneurs](#) (Nov 2017)
- [Michigan history with MeL](#) (Oct 2017)
- [Teacher portal updates](#) (Sep 2017)
- [Getting the most out of MeL eBooks](#) (May 2017)
- [MeL apps](#) (Apr 2017)
- [MeL early readers](#) (Mar 2017)
- [MeL legal resources](#) (Feb 2017)
- [Tools in MeL databases](#) (Jan 2017)



Association for Library Service to Children

**Online Courses:**

**Spring 2018 (classes begin Monday, April 2, 2018)**

Two of the courses being offered this semester are eligible for continuing education units (CEUs). The American Library Association (ALA) has been certified to provide CEUs by the International Association of Continuing Education and Training (IACET). ALSC online courses are designed to fit the needs of working professionals. Courses are taught by experienced librarians and academics. As participants frequently noted in post-course surveys, ALSC stresses quality and caring in its online education options. For more information on ALSC online learning, please visit: <http://www.ala.org/alsced>

**NEW! Postmodern Picturebooks: Changing Minds for Life** (5 weeks, April 2 – May 4, 2018)

*Instructor: Diane Hamilton*

Reading practices may limit reader potential and significantly impact life choices. Wait... What? As a librarian or educator working with young readers, you are in a position to change minds for life through guiding reader engagement with postmodern picturebooks. In this five week online course, you will explore the potential of several postmodern picturebooks to draw children in and excite their imaginations. You will develop practical resources for using these books with young readers by examining specific features of the books, generating storytime plans, and preparing parent guides for several exciting postmodern picturebooks.

[Science, Technology, Engineering and Math \(STEM\) Programs Made Easy](#) (4 weeks, April 2 – 27, 2018, 1.2 CEUs)

*Instructor: Angela Young, Head of Children's Department, Reed Memorial Library*

Our children are lagging behind in the areas of Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM). Schools have begun to concentrate on providing better education in these areas and now libraries are being asked to provide the same. Learn how to provide educational programs using STEM without going to school to become a scientist. Children's librarians and associates will learn to present and adapt programs for multiple ages.

[Storytelling with Puppets](#) (5 weeks, April 2 – May 4, 2018, 2.2 CEUs)

*Instructor: Steven Engelfried, Youth Services Librarian, Wilsonville Public Library*

From "Ask Mister Bear" to Elephant and Piggie, telling stories with puppets can bring new levels of creativity and excitement to storytimes and school presentations. And it's not as hard as you think. This 5-week online course will give participants practical strategies for bringing stories to life with puppets; techniques for using puppets with various ages, from toddlers to early elementary students; tips for adapting folktales and picture books into puppet presentations; strategies for rehearsal, planning, and development of puppet stories; and background about how puppet tales develop narrative skills and reading motivation from the audience.

**Summer 2018 (classes begin Monday, July 9, 2018)**

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[Making Your Makerspace Work](#) (5 weeks, July 9 – August 10, 2018)

*Instructor: Christian Sheehy, Digital Initiatives Librarian, Xavier University*

You are planning (or already have) a makerspace! This course provides concrete tips for engaging your users in exciting ways while helping them overcome the "intimidation factor" of using potentially complex (and expensive) equipment in a new and unfamiliar

space. No matter what planning stage you are in for your makerspace, these tips will ensure you are better prepared for any unexpected challenges so you can stop worrying and start making! Weekly discussions cover hardware, software, and pedagogical trends in making. By the end of the course, participants will have a detailed plan of makerspace implementation as well as a compiled number of event plans and resources that can be used in their own makerspace. Let's make your makerspace work!

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[The Newbery Medal: Past, Present and Future](#) (6 weeks, July 9 – August 17, 2018)

*Instructor: KT Horning, Director, Cooperative Children's Book Center, University of Wisconsin- Madison*

What does it mean when we recommend Newbery Award winners to the children in our communities? Should the ALA seal of approval stand for 100 years? Why is that gold medal often considered the "kiss of death" by kids? How can we help parents and teachers understand what the Newbery Medal is – and isn't? This 6-week online course will give participants a solid grounding in the history of the Medal and how it's changed over time; an opportunity to read, discuss and consider past and present Newbery winners with their colleagues from across the nation; a chance to talk to former Newbery Committee members and a Newbery author, and suggestions for programming using Newbery-winning books.

Detailed descriptions and registration information is available on the ALSC website at <http://www.ala.org/alsced>. Fees are \$115 for personal ALSC members; \$165 for personal ALA members; and \$185 for non-members. Questions? Please contact ALSC Program Officer for Continuing Education, Kristen Figliuolo at [kfigliuolo@ala.org](mailto:kfigliuolo@ala.org) or 1 (800) 545-2433 ext 4026.

## Grant Opportunities:



The Library of Michigan has announced the second year of the Library Services & Technology Act (LSTA) summer quick grant program for public libraries. **The application deadline is Monday, March 26<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 PM.**

This program provides funding for **public libraries** to develop a summer program and purchase materials and supplies for that program. There are three selected program topics – technology, children & teens and literacy. Funding is intended to supplement local services. The grant review will focus on small projects that improve community services and are aligned with the LSTA priorities. The LSTA priorities are for targeting library services to individuals of diverse geographic, cultural, and socioeconomic backgrounds, to individuals with disabilities,

individuals with limited functional literacy or information skills and expanding services for learning and access to information.

The grant period is from June to August 2018. Grants will be from \$500 to \$2,000. Funding is by reimbursement. Eligible applicants are Michigan public libraries that are legally established and currently eligible for state aid. Branch libraries may apply individually.

Detailed information on the grant program, including the program timeline, applicant eligibility, and the **APPLICATION LINK** is available at [www.michigan.gov/lsta](http://www.michigan.gov/lsta) in the Public Library Services grant section.

Please read the [Program Application Information](#) before applying. Contact Karren Reish at 517-241-0021 or [reishk@michigan.gov](mailto:reishk@michigan.gov) with any questions. Karren will be hosting a webinar at **2:00 pm on Tuesday, March 6<sup>th</sup>** on the Public Library Services Grant. The webinar will be at this [link](#). No registration is needed. It will include a brief overview of the program, the grant application site and questions. **The grant application is due March 26<sup>th</sup>.**

## EBSCO Solar

EBSCO Solar is a grant program that funds solar installations at libraries. The program is open to libraries worldwide. Applications will be accepted until April 30, 2018, with the winners announced online and at ALA-Annual on June 22nd.

Please visit <https://ebSCO.fluidreview.com/> to apply and for more information. Interested libraries are encouraged to submit questions until March 16 to [ebSCOSolar@ebSCO.com](mailto:ebSCOSolar@ebSCO.com).



## Infrastructure and Capacity Building Challenge Grants

**Receipt Deadline March 15, 2018**

The mission of this Challenge Grants program is to strengthen the institutional base of the humanities by enabling infrastructure development and capacity building. Grants aim to help institutions secure long-term support for their core activities and expand

efforts to preserve and create access to outstanding humanities materials. Applications are welcome from colleges and universities, museums, public libraries, research institutions, historical societies and historic sites, scholarly associations, state humanities councils, and other nonprofit humanities entities. [More information](#)

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Learning Support \$\$\$

Library Continuing Education Program
www.michigan.gov/cestipend

The Library of Michigan encourages Michigan public, academic and school library staff to apply for continuing education stipends. The program details and criteria are listed in the program criteria document. **Please read the criteria and the application questions BEFORE submitting an application online.** You can apply at any time and your application will be considered at the end of each quarter.

From Shannon White: *"there was a question about using CE Stipend funds for substitutes. If someone wants to use some of the funds to pay for substitute staff that will be their choice and is allowable."*

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## Perfect computer security is a myth



Justin Pot writes: *"Perfect security is a myth. No matter what you do, no matter how careful you are, you will never be 100% safe from hackers, malware, and cybercrime. That's the reality we all live in, and it's important to keep this in mind, if only so that we can all feel more sympathy for victims. But it doesn't mean [resolving to lock down your tech](#) is pointless. You'll never be completely safe, but that's no reason to stop caring about security all together."*...



Plan a story time event about money for presentation between **April 21-28, 2018**. Recommended age for Lots and Lots of Coins is 5 - 8 years old.

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The Library of Michigan has contracted with DEMCO to enable all Michigan libraries to use the online reading club features of:



Your library will be able to create, track, report, and customize the database for reading programs at **no cost** thanks to federal LSTA funding. Demco offered a webinar and it is now archived:

[Wandoo Webinar Recording](#)

In this 60-minute presentation, you'll see a brief overview of Demco Software's integrated suite of engagement solutions, including streamlined room, event and reading program management tools, mobile apps, and brain training exercises. Plus, learn about the new revolutionary discovery tool, DiscoverLocal™

The next Wandoo Reader webinar for Michigan libraries is: March 7TH 2:00 – 3:00 PM EST

<https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/8675513268523099649>. Please register, even if you cannot attend live, so that Demco can send you a recording link. Demco will also be hosting 2 training sessions at our [Rural and Small Libraries Conference](#), end of April.

#NeverAgain – Students Demand Action

In the wake of the tragic school shooting at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School in Parkland, Florida this week, [student survivors are demanding](#) that adults take action to prevent tragedies like this from occurring. It is incumbent on all adults, including library staff, to support these youth as they speak out and call for change in their communities and in our country. [Read](#) more.

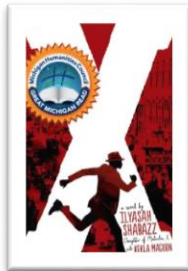
Great Michigan Read

If you are interested in becoming a Michigan Humanities Council [2017-18 Great Michigan Read](#) partner and receiving 30 copies of X: A Novel, reader and teacher guides, and promotional materials, there's still time to register.

Non-profit organizations – including schools and libraries – can fill out the [“Become a Partner” form](#) on the Michigan Humanities website. Please spread the word to your colleagues in libraries, schools, and other interested non-profits across Michigan. We currently have more than 250 partners registered, but we have a large supply of books and look forward to continuing our distribution in 2018.

In March and May, the book's authors will be traveling around the state for community conversations and presentations, so keep an eye out for those details about Ilyasah Shabazz and Kekla Magoon's tour stops.

Questions? Contact me (Katie Wittenauer) directly at kwittenauer@mihumanities.org or via (517) 372-7770.



Online Resources: www.CSLPreads.org – includes access to PSA's, National Summer Reading Champion releases, diversity resources, and more!

- www.pinterest.com/cslpreads - CSLP's official Pinterest sight with crafts, activities, and book recommendations to meet the theme.
- CSLPreads also has [Facebook](#) & [Twitter](#) accounts.
- Hashtags: #MiSummerReads #CSLPreads 2018 = #LibrariesRock

Access information to the 2018 Manuals, along with catalogs to CSLP's promotional materials via Upstart and Scholastic, were mailed to libraries in November 2018. Please contact me at LancasterC5@michigan.gov with your USPS address if you would like the information sent again.

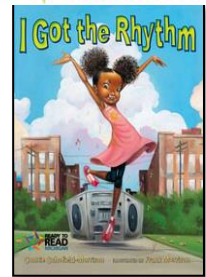
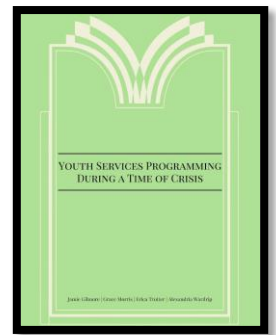


The American Library Association Legislative Day on the Hill in D.C. is an annual event that is very effective for library advocacy. ALA holds a training on site and prepares information for use with legislators. The Library of Michigan also prepares packets for each legislator as well as making appointments, so doing the work of visiting legislators (or their aids) is super easy, since all of the details are taken care of for you! It is an amazing learning experience, and I highly recommend it. The MMLL Board may approve the payment for at least one attendee, if we have the funds, and that should be decided at the January meeting. There will also be scholarship funds available - apply as soon as possible.

<http://www.ala.org/advocacy/advleg/nlld>



A printable toolkit designed to help public libraries in times of crisis plan programming that creates a sense of normalcy for youth and teens in times of disaster or upheaval



A children's librarian's tips for rough days

Emily Bayci (right) writes: “I love being a children's librarian. But who can honestly say it's all peaches and roses 24 hours a day? Everyone is going



to have a case of the Mondays sometimes. Especially when winter seems to be dragging on for a million months, the to-do list is never-ending, and there are 8,642 programs in a week but you already have to plan six months ahead. Here are some of my favorite hacks that make these tough days a little easier and some tips for getting through them.”...

ALA joins Operation #OneMoreVote

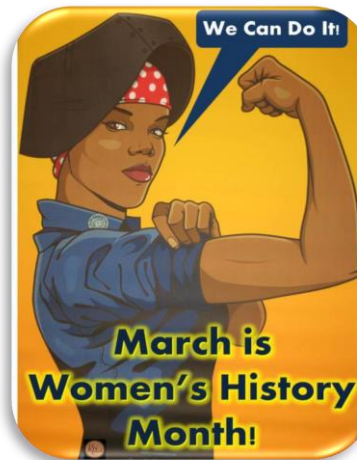


Larra Clark writes: “ALA has been working closely with allies to support Senate legislation to restore 2015's strong, enforceable net neutrality rules. The bill is a [Congressional Review Act resolution](#) from Sen. Ed Markey (D-Mass.) that would block the FCC's December repeal of net neutrality rules. The CRA currently has bipartisan support from 50 of 100 senators and would be assured of passage if just one more Republican backs the effort. Getting past this [#OneMoreVote](#) milestone in the Senate is the first step.”...

White House budget continues to miscalculate libraries



Kathi Kromer writes: “In its proposed [FY2019 budget](#) released February 12, the White House has eliminated funding for the [Institute for Museum and Library Services](#) as well as hundreds of millions of dollars dedicated to libraries through the Library Services and Technology Act. The decision echoes the FY2018 proposal, which also eliminated the grant-making agency and its programs. The administration’s budget also calls for elimination or severe cuts to many other federal programs that support libraries, including Innovative Approaches to Literacy.” ALA President Jim Neal issued a [statement](#) on the proposal. The budget also eliminates funding for the [Corporation for Public Broadcasting](#), the National Endowment for the Arts, and the National Endowment for the Humanities....



Mason County District Library in Ludington held a “Business After Hours” Chamber of Commerce event and shared information by mingling!



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