

Mid-Michigan Library League



News of Interest October 2017



NEW SERVICES FOR MEMBERS!

Member Happenings

The MMLL Annual Meeting was held September 21, 2017 at the Cadillac Grill. Members were treated to a delicious lunch, as well as learning nine different topics in our "speed round" session. The new budget was approved which includes new services for all members. Read on to learn about these services!



New Resources!

The MMLL Board approved the FY18 budget and reflected in the budget is the ability of the cooperative to offer new services! See the [MMLL Benefits of Membership](#) that spells it all out for you.

Here is what is now included with your MMLL membership:

- Downloadable audiobooks for all library patrons associated with MMLL member libraries. Some of you have the Overdrive "Up North Digital," and this is additional to that, providing unlimited simultaneous access to a core set of over 5,000 adult titles and over 1,800 Children's/YA titles provided by [Recorded Books Digital](#).
- [Transparent Language Online](#), features a scientifically proven methodology, the widest variety of high-quality learning materials, and seamless integration of real-life language used by native speakers, all packaged together in an easy-to-use interface. This is simply the most complete language-learning solution available anywhere. And with 100+ languages to choose from, there is something for every language learner.
- Four hours of paid tech support for each member library provided by the [Emergency Geek](#), Cory Walker. Mileage to be covered by the cooperative.

Upcoming Trainings IN PERSON:



The next [FOML](#) workshop will be held this fall with the theme "Good to Great: Becoming High-Achieving Friends" and it's coming up on **Thursday, October 12th, 2017** at the Kent District Library Service Center!

Topics will include:

- "Friendly Advice: Helpful Information about Successful Friends Organizations" with Lance Werner, Director of the Kent District Library;
- "Organizing and Planning Book Sales and Bookstore Operations" - a panel discussion with Laurel Ingram and Nancy Harper from the Friends of the Cascade Township Branch of the Kent District Library;
- and Darnell Gundy-Reed, FOML Director and member of the Friends of Muskegon Area District Library, will host a panel discussion: "If Only I Knew How: Tips for recruiting, retaining, and developing volunteers and Friends board members." See this link for the full [agenda](#).

The next [FOML Trustee Alliance](#) workshop will have the theme "Good to Great: Becoming High-Achieving Trustees" and it's coming up

on **Friday, October 13, 2017** at the Kent District Library Service Center in Grand Rapids.

We will have special guest speaker **Larry Neal**, Director of the Clinton-Macomb Public Library, and his topics will include:

- *The Great Essentials: Key Responsibilities for Library Trustees*
- *Trustee Governance: Steps To High Achievement*
- *Lessons Learned and Knowledge Gained from the Workshop*

We will also hear about "Trustees and Library Law" from **Clare Membiela**, Library Law Consultant from the Library of Michigan. You can find the complete [agenda](#) on the Trustee Alliance website.



Book Repair Basics

What: Book repair - each participant will be provided with the tools and materials necessary to complete basic repairs at your library.

When: Friday, October 13

Where: Library of Michigan

How: For more information and to register, visit:

<https://www.solutionwhere.com/wv/Aspx/Public/Search/ShowCourse.aspx?courseNum=98&cld=67>



An E-Rate orientation for beginners is being offered this year by the Michigan E-Rate Advisory Committee with the support of the Michigan Department of Education and the Library of Michigan. This year, two Michigan E-Rate consultants, members of the Michigan E-Rate Advisory Committee, will join us to discuss what you need to know when you hire a consultant - their role and your responsibilities. The purpose of this orientation is to assist schools and libraries that are new to E-Rate with:

- Understanding the processes involved;
- Familiarizing applicants with timelines, requirements, and regulations;
- Learning what to expect as part of the funding request process;
- Locating the tools available, including those provided by the Universal Service Administrative Company; and
- Finding out where to go for more in-depth training whether you file independently, as part of a consortia application, or with a consultant.

The workshop will be held **Wednesday, November 1, 2017** 10 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. 520 S. Creyts Road, Lansing 48917. Lunch will be provided. Please bring a device as paper PowerPoints will not be handed out.

Email erate@michigan.gov with questions. You can [register here](#).



2018 Loleta Fyan Small and Rural Library Conference

April 30-May 2, 2018 at the Grand Traverse Resort in Acme, Michigan

[Call for proposals](#)

[Award Nomination Form](#)

The 2018 Loleta Fyan Small and Rural Libraries Conference is scheduled for April 30-May 2, 2018 at the Grand Traverse Resort in Acme, Michigan. The theme for the 2018 RLC (following the current library topic of diversity and inclusion) is "Open Doors, Open Minds."



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!



[Michigan Library Association calendar of events](#)



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

Themed, "Imagine the Possibilities," the PLA 2018 conference will feature networking events, opportunities to mingle with authors, a bustling exhibit hall, and more than 100 educational programs carefully curated for public library professionals. Among the confirmed speakers are actor/comedian Hasan Minhaj, best known as a correspondent on *The Daily Show*, and Elizabeth Gilbert, author of the 2006 inspirational memoir *Eat Pray Love*. For complete details, visit the [conference website](#).

Don't forget you can apply for a CE Stipend from the Library of Michigan to attend conferences. For more information, visit www.michigan.gov/cestipend.



Spring Institute 2018 Call for Proposals

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

Call for [Breakout Session Program Proposals](#)
Submissions welcome through **November 10, 2017**.

Call for [Cool Things My Library Does Proposals](#)

Submissions welcome through **Monday, January 8, 2018**.
[The "Cool Things" proposal submission form can be found here.](#)



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. Attending the pre-conference is free, though space will be limited to 50 participants. Twenty-five participants from public libraries serving small and/or rural communities will be selected to receive an \$800 stipend to help cover travel costs for one library employee. "Libraries Transforming Communities: Conversation Café Workshop for Public Libraries Serving Small, Mid-Sized and/or Rural Communities" will be held from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Friday, June 22, 2018, at the Ernest N. Morial Convention Center in New Orleans. This workshop is offered as part of [Libraries Transforming Communities: Models for Change](#), an initiative of ALA and the National Coalition for Dialogue & Deliberation (NCDD). The initiative seeks to introduce libraries to various dialogue and deliberation approaches, enabling libraries to foster conversation and lead change in their communities.

For more information visit the link <http://www.programminglibrarian.org/articles/dialogue-deliberation-workshop-stipend-smallrural-public-libraries>

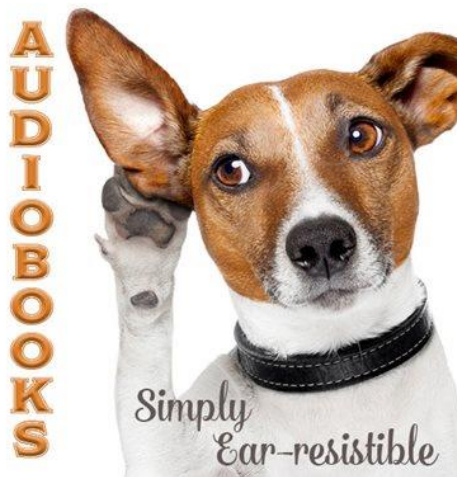


Up to 20 scholarships to the [Research Institute for Public Libraries](#) (RIPL) 2018 event in Atlanta (at the [Emory Conference Center Hotel](#) in Atlanta, Georgia, **July 29-August 1**) are available to staff working in rural and small public libraries in the United States. These scholarships are funded by the Institute of Museum and Library Services. RIPL is a national event, hosted by the Colorado State Library and the Colorado Library Consortium, and offers three days of hands-on, intensive workshops about:

- Evaluation design and implementation
- Data collection and use for strategic planning, management, and communication

- Measures for reporting library impact

To be eligible for a scholarship, you must be employed by a U.S. public library that is located in a rural area AND serves a population of less than 25,000. These criteria are determined based on data from the [Institute of Museum and Library Services Public Libraries Survey](#). To determine whether your library meets these criteria, please [click here](#). In addition, you must be a first-time participant of RIPL – if you have already attended a national or regional RIPL event, you are not eligible for a scholarship.



Scheduled and on-demand WEBINARS:

Math Counts: Using Math in Early Literacy Programming - free webinar
Monday, 10/23/17, 12:00 PM

Many librarians are comfortable incorporating basic math principles in story time, such as counting, number recognition, and shapes, but what other ways can you incorporate mathematics into your regular story time routine? Join JoAnna Schofield, Cuyahoga County Public Library children's librarian and former mathematics teacher, to explore easy (and cheap!) ways to explore computation, spatial awareness, geometry, measurement, data collection and interpretation, and more! From ALSC:

<http://www.ala.org/alsc/math-counts-using-math-early-literacy-programming>

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(Formerly the Digital Shift) Register [HERE](#)



PLA on-demand webinars



[Using Project Outcome Data to Improve & Support Library Programming](#)

A free PLA webinar presented in partnership with ALA Public Programs Office
Thursday, October 19, 2017
Instructors: Emily Plagman & Samantha Lopez

PLA is partnering with the ALA Public Programs Office to present this free webinar on the benefits of using outcome data to improve and support library programming. Learn how to use Project Outcome data for programming decisions and improvements, funding requests, measuring against strategic priorities, and advocating for the impact your programs and services have on the community. [More...](#)





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

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Bilingual Storytimes: Reaching Through the Language Barrier

This webinar focuses on how to research, plan, and deliver storytimes in languages

other than English, even when you don't speak the language.

- **Venue:** Webinar
- **Time:** 3:00 PM – 4:00 PM Eastern Daylight Time, North America

[Register to attend](#) [More info](#)

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Getting Started with Social Media for Your Library

Part 1 in the Libraries and Social Media webinar series, jointly hosted by WebJunction and TechSoup.

- **Venue:** Webinar
- **Time:** 2:00 PM – 3:30 PM Eastern Daylight Time, North America

[Register to attend](#) [More info](#)

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**The NEW Health & Wellness Resource Center (HWRC) October 16, 2017 @ 10 am**

[Register here](#)

*Health & Wellness Resource Center* is a comprehensive, consumer health resource providing authoritative information on health-related issues from current disease and disorder information to in-depth coverage of alternative medical practices. Now, with a mobile responsive design, and new features and tools, *Health & Wellness Resource Center* is your first-stop for answers to health related questions. In this session we will:

- Learn to navigate the new topic groups & search options,
- Explore the tools available for all documents,
- and cover best practices for sharing the health information we find with others

**Demographics Now**

**October 24, 2017 @ 12:00 pm**

[Register here](#)

*DemographicsNow Library Edition* is a comprehensive business and residential reference and research tool that provides users with access to highly-detailed demographic data across the entire United States. It offers up-to-date and easy access to an array of geographically aligned demographic data perfect for obtaining insights to develop business plans, marketing strategies, empower decision making, and even grant applications. The new experience is fully mobile-responsive, and offers a user-friendly experience including the integration of G-Suite, Microsoft Office, google mapping technology, and other popular features available in leading Gale products. Join this session to explore the new browseable interface, and put *DemographicsNow* to work in your community!

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The Library of Michigan is pleased to announce a new *interactive* webinar series on Best Storytime Practices with Professional Storyteller & Narrative

Consultant, **Jenifer Strauss**. Register for each individual webinar by following the links below. Webinars will be recorded and links sent to registrants who miss the live event.



Put the Book Down and Engage!

Tuesday, October 24, 2017, 2pm

Reading to children is essential but if you want to super-charge their creativity, imagination, and memory, put the book down and engage them with interactive Storytelling.

In this live webinar, narrative consultant/storyteller, Jenifer Strauss will show you how to use storytelling to promote language, literacy and healthy brain development. Learn how to choose stories from favorite authors and turn them in to interactive language experiences for young children. Songs, movement, puppets, props, and participation included! Links and PDF handouts provided.

Full Body Storytime: Moving and Grooving with Stories, Songs, Rhythms and Rhymes

Tuesday, December 19, 2017, 2pm

Movement is a child's first language! Combine movement with rhythm and you have the foundation for literacy skills like listening, speaking, reading and writing. In support of healthy early childhood learning experiences and the ALA Every Child Ready to Read initiative, narrative consultant/ storyteller, Jenifer Strauss will host a live webinar featuring stories, songs, play, and movement. Participants will learn how to plan and execute a well-balanced storytime that will allow young patrons to be active and creative with language. Directions for making percussion instruments and props included. PDF handouts of song lyrics and supporting research provided.

Ready to Read Michigan: "I Got the Rhythm!"

Tuesday, January 16th, 2pm

Join us to learn about a Ready to Read Storytime designed for outreach to your local early childhood providers & schools! This year's book selection is "I Got the Rhythm" by Connie Schofield-Morrison and illustrated by Frank Morrison. Copies of the title will be shipped to libraries mid-January-early February, so this is a sneak peek if you do not already have the book in-hand.

Grant Opportunities:

LSTA Collaborative Library Services Grant Program 2017-2018

This multi-year grant program provides Michigan public, academic and school libraries the opportunity to develop innovative programs or services that have the potential to develop into sustainable regional or statewide programs that can benefit a broad range of libraries. Programs with strong partnerships between libraries, and/or local community groups or agencies have greater community support, so partnerships are a requirement for this grant. In a given fiscal year, the Library of Michigan will fund ONE to THREE pilot projects that meet these priorities.

GRANT PRIORITIES:

- ◆ Provide funding for innovative library services and programs,
- ◆ Create the opportunity to develop sustainable new regional or statewide programs, and
- ◆ Develop partnerships among libraries and/or between libraries and local community agencies.

ALL applicants MUST submit an **Intent to File** form to be eligible to apply for a grant by **October 31, 2017**. Eligible libraries that submit the Intent to File form by the deadline are eligible to apply. Sign up for the Pre-Application Webinar (program review and Intent to File information) - Wednesday, October 11th - 10:00 AM at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2017LSTA> **webinar**. The application is due January 31, 2018. See this [link](#) for info.

Science Kits for Public Libraries – GRANT Application Deadline: November 15, 2017

The IEEE Science Kits for Public Libraries Grant is offering up to \$2,000 in funding to public libraries in the Michigan and Wisconsin area for the development of circulating math and science collections for pre-university students (K-12). The grant seeks to be a catalyst for educating students about how math and science are used for the benefit of humanity and to provide seed money for creation of library programs that will make a lasting impression.

Visit <http://www.ewh.ieee.org/reg/4/SKPL-Apply.php> for application forms, grant guidelines and to learn about the successes of past grant recipients.

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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. Since we went from the receipt reimbursement in the CE Stipend program to a straight amount of reimbursement those receiving the funds have the ability to use the funds how they choose. Essentially we are providing them with the stipend for the work product they return to us after the event. 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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## Michigan eLibrary/MeL



### MeL Training

MeLCat staff posts monthly requests and fulfillment statistics on the MeLCat Wiki at <http://mcls.org/melcatstatistics> and they also have posted presentations from [MeLCat Users Day](#) (the usual user name and password required) for all MeLCat libraries.

### MeL Promotion

MeL has a [YouTube channel](#)



### MeL Information

### Publication Finder - Tutorial

You can get the MeL search widget and add it to your website. For the code, go to: <http://mel.org/widget/meldiscoverywidget280.html>

[MeL Resource Refresher: Legal Forms webinar](#)

### Gale's Training page for MeL

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



MONEYSMARTWEEK™

The Library of Michigan is pleased to announce that we are contracting with DEMCO to bring all libraries in Michigan the opportunity to create online reading clubs via

### Wandoo Reader

This means your library will be able to create, track, report, and customize the database for Summer Reading, 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten, Adult winter clubs, etc. All this at **no cost** to public libraries in Michigan thanks to funding from the Library of Michigan. Details and training opportunities will be announced over the coming months. Demco is offering a webinar on Weds, October 25 from 10-11am to present the products listed in the attached flyer. Pre-registration is required for this free webinar. Please see the registration information below.

**Webinar:** New Engagement Tools for Your Library

**Date:** Wednesday, October 25th

**Time:** 10-11:00am EST

**Description:** 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™

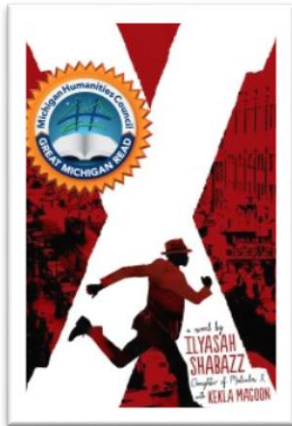
\*\*\*[Registration link](#)\*\*\*



GLOBAL VISION DISCUSSION



## Great Michigan Read

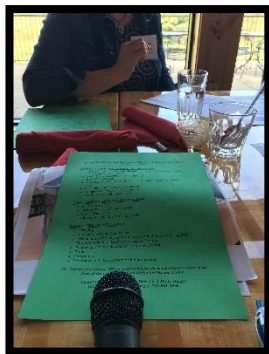


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Still looking for even more reads for your book club? You can find plenty of other recommendations, lists and author interviews on the [Book Club Central website](#)



Mid-Michigan musician Wanda Degen is in a duo with Kay Rinker-O'Neil called, "The Catbird Seat". They combine harmony vocals with instrumentation that includes autoharp, dulcimers, flute & guitar and have been getting rave reviews since they began singing together 4 years ago. They play a variety of styles of music including Celtic, Folk, Great Lakes & Vintage Pop. Programs can be geared to any age group and include the following themes:

The Catbird Seat Sampler (a mix of styles); Catbird Seat for Kids; A Celtic Kaleidoscope (popular in March); Michigan in Song; Sentimental Journey - A Folk/Pop Musical Stroll thru the Decades; Sweet Sounds for the Holidays; Hands-on Mountain Dulcimer/ Rockin' the Dulcimer! - 15 dulcimers will be provided for participants use, can have groups up to 30 with students pairing up and sharing a dulcimer (works best for ages 8 years & older). A popular option is to include a hands-on dulcimer workshop for kids or adults (or one for each) and a family concert - a 2-programs combination.

The Catbird Seat has recorded one self-titled CD released in 2014. Wanda's latest recording for kids of all ages, titled "Sweet Potato Vine," was released in 2015 and includes Kay on all but 1 of the 9 selections. Go to Wanda's website: [Wanda Degen](#) for more information and to listen to some songs. Video can be found on their facebook page: The Catbird Seat Music and on YouTube under Wanda Degen. Contact Wanda directly at 517-337-2264 or [wanda.degen@att.net](mailto:wanda.degen@att.net) for questions, availability & pricing.

## DOGGONE GOOD!

Download high-quality audiobooks from your library—24 hours/7 days a week!



Look for **rb digital** on your library's website.

## October is Health Literacy Month

ALA's Public Awareness Office has partnered with the National Network of Libraries of Medicine (NNLM) on a pilot program to create a Libraries Transform toolkit for showcasing the many ways libraries promote health literacy in their communities. Use the free toolkit,

[available here](#)

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