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A MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR

Each year WDIV hosts their Vote 4 the Best competition to create what they call a go-to guide to the ‘BEST’ of everything around Metro Detroit. It’s a fun and friendly way for people to cheer for their local favorites of everything from food to family fun. This is the first year libraries were included as a category. Clarkston Independence District Library was not only nominated, but we won!

All of the libraries on the list are well-respected and well-loved, so we were honored to be nominated. We were even more excited that our community voted us to the top of that list! In recent years we’ve worked hard to engage with the community, listen to what you need and want, and deliver on those requests.

So, does this mean we feel like we have it all figured out? Of course not! But we do take it as a sign that we’re on the right track. We should keep connecting with our residents, growing with the needs of the community, and striving to be the library that you love.

In the coming months we will be working on a strategic planning process that will include lots of opportunity for community input. We hope you’ll join us in this project that will help us to be even better.

Thank you again for this vote of confidence – we will use it to inspire us!

Julie

Gatherings with

2020 Spring Book Sale
Member-Only Preview Night
Tuesday, April 28 • 6 - 8 pm

Book Sale Dates
Wednesday, April 29 • 10 am - 8:30 pm
Thursday, April 30 • 10 am - 8:30 pm
Friday, May 1 • 10 am - 5:30 pm
(1/2 Price Day)
Saturday, May 2 • 10 am - 2 pm
($5 Bag Day)

Donations for the book sales are welcome anytime the library is open. We cannot accept textbooks, encyclopedias, magazines, VHS tapes or materials that are excessively soiled or musty.

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Library Board
Marilyn Pomeroy, President
Jan Gaffney, Treasurer
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Allison McFadden-Keesling, Trustee
Anne Rose, Trustee
Nancy Moon, Trustee

Stay updated on our events all year long!

Facebook  /CIDLibrary
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Fresh Finds: We loved these books!

PIRATE HUNTERS
Adult Nonfiction

WILD GAME
Memoir

PTSD
Graphic Novel

The Bookish Life of Nina Hill
Adult Fiction

The Dragon Warrior
Middle Reader

Frindle
Junior Fiction

The Timepiece
Adult Fiction

The Sun is a Compass
Adult Nonfiction

AdoraBull
Picture Book

Tana French
Mystery

The Trespasser

Schedule your meeting at CIDL!
Rooms to suit groups of 2 - 100!

- Free wireless Internet
- Presentation equipment available in some rooms
- Chairs & tables provided
- Laptops available to borrow
- Some food & drink permitted
- IT support during your meeting

For more information or to check availability visit the Services tab at cidlibrary.org or call 248-625-2212.
Bring your little ones to these age-appropriate storytimes! We will share books, songs, flannel stories, a craft, and sensory activities all designed to help build your babies to preschooler’s literacy skills. There is no registration required and siblings are welcome!

**Mondays:** Little Gigglers  
Ages walking to 23 mos.  
10:30 am

**Tuesdays:** Preschool Storytime  
Ages 3-5  
10:30 am

**Wednesdays:** Wee Wigglers  
Age 2  
10:30 am

**Thursdays:** Baby Storytime  
Ages 0-walking  
10:30 am

**Thursdays:** PJ Storytimes  
Ages 0-5  
6:30 pm

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**Preschool Open House**

*Monday, March 16 • 5 - 8 pm*

Are you considering preschool for your little one? Wondering where to send them? Fall registration is just around the corner! Don’t fret! Join us for our first ever Preschool Fair! Local preschools will be here to answer all of your burning questions about their programs, including curriculum, potty training policy, and fees! Everyone who attends will receive an information booklet full of at-a-glance info about each school. Light refreshments will be served and a craft will be available for your children!

_Registration is recommended, but not required._

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**Monthly Programs**

**LEGO Program >> Ages 2+**

*Saturday: January 4, February 1, March 7, and April 4 • 10 am*

Come join us each month to build creations based around a specific theme. We will have DUPLO® and LEGO® for you to build with. Please leave your own bricks at home--we don't want them to get lost or mixed in with the Library's collection. Creations will be displayed in the children's library! No registration needed!

**Themes:**  
*January: Animals*  
*February: Winter Fun*  
*March: Spring*  
*April: Amusement Parks*

**Little Explorers >> Ages 0-5**

*Friday: January 10, February 14, March 13, and April 17  
10:30 am*

Come get messy with us as we explore with our five senses! We will have a variety of sensory stations to facilitate exploration with activities such as: kinetic sand, water beads, paint, and much more! These stations naturally encourage children to use scientific processes while they play, create, investigate, and explore! Dress accordingly, as clothes may get dirty. This is a 1 hour long drop-in program. Parents must stay with children at all times. No registration required!

**Read to Paws**

*Saturday: January 18, February 15, March 21, April 18,  
and May 16 • Spots beginning at 10:30 am - 11:45 am*

Readers needed! Sign up to read with a therapy dog. These dogs are great listeners because they are specially trained to provide comfort and affection. Pick out a library book to read or bring one of your own. If you come to three Read to Paws events, you can earn a special pin. **Please register each person who will be reading separately.** The dogs can't wait to see you there! R

**Music and Movement >> Ages 0-5**

*Friday: January 24, February 28, and March 27 • 10 & 11 am*

Miss Jamie will delight you with all things music and movement for this active and fun session! We will sing songs, dance, and play instruments. And we always get out the parachute! Registration required for kids over 1 (or kids who are now walking). R

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**Patron Perks**

**Notary**

Residents of Clarkston and Independence Township can get their documents notarized for free! While we do make an effort to have a notary on staff frequently, call ahead for availability.

**Book Group Kits**

Hosting your own book group? Book Group kits are available for check-out! Kits include 10 copies of the selected book, as well as a reader’s discussion guide and questions.

**Michigan Activity Pass**

Free or discounted admission to hundreds of Michigan attractions are available with your library card! Click on “Michigan Activity Pass” under the “Services” tab of our website for more details.
Monday Night Programs

**Frozen Ball**
*January 27 • 6 pm*
*Frozen* is on the big screen and we want to celebrate all of our favorite characters at this lovely ball in the Community Meeting Room (or as we are calling it – the Grand Ballroom)! Dress up in your finest princess, snowman, or reindeer gear and come enjoy some music, crafts, games and some special visitors from the farthest reaches of *Frozen* lands. [Denotes Registration Required]

**“Super U! Challenge”**
*February 24 • 6 pm*
“Super U! Challenge” is a one-of-a-kind family show that uses a unique format of a wacky kid’s TV game show to help children understand that their words and actions impact everyone around them, and to empower everybody to do their part to create a safe and friendly community. Every age group gets involved! This action-packed family show includes lots of audience volunteers from every age level who participate in funny challenges with costumes, silly props… and yes, even some slime! Please register each person attending. [Denotes Registration Required]

**Diamond Painting**
*March 23 • 6 pm*
This is your chance to make a super cool Diamond Painting! We will have all the supplies, you just come and get your diamond painting on! We will be making small diamond painted stickers to stick anywhere you like! Come and make one or two! Where you put them is up to you! This activity can actually improve a child’s hands-on ability, coordination, and enhance the perception of color. For ages 5 and up with a caregiver! [Denotes Registration Required]

**Perler Bead Party!**
*April 20 • 6 pm*
Whether you’ve used Perler beads before or not, come and join us for this awesome easy craft. First, you’ll put the Perler beads together on a plastic plate in whatever design you choose. Then we iron them together, and PRESTO – you have an awesome Perler bead creation. Design your own project or use one of our patterns. You could make an animal, a unicorn, a video game character, cactus, or anything that you can think of. We’ll have materials ready if you want to make a keychain, necklace, or magnet. You could even make a 3D design! What will you create? [Denotes Registration Required]

**PJs and a Movie**
*May 18 • 6 pm*
Join us for a newly released on DVD family-friendly movie (to be announced sometime in April!), and of course, some POPCORN! Bring your sleeping bags, pillows, PJs - whatever you need to get comfy for this fun movie at the Library! [Denotes Registration Required]

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**Children’s Oscar Party!**
*Sunday, February 9 • 1 pm*
We’re rolling out the red carpet for our kids-only and their dates (or parents) Oscar party! Get glammed up for some paparazzi-worthy fun, as we reveal your choice for best kids’ book-to-movie winner and other fun categories. Try your hand at movie trivia, your own walk of fame star craft and photo booth and finish with a screening of the winning movie — complete with popcorn and treats! Register for your VIP pass today! [Denotes Registration Required]

**Discovering Great Artists Series**
*Saturday: January 11, February 8, and March 14 • 1 pm*
Come join us as we recreate artwork from different master artists each month. All you need is an open mind and a willingness to get messy! Please register the child only, parents are welcome to attend and help! [Denotes Registration Required]
Family Game Night
Tuesday: January 7, February 4, March 3, April 7, and May 5
5 - 8 pm
Gather to play board games, card games, and other tabletop games. Come challenge your family, friends, rivals, or complete strangers for bragging rights over great classic games, or learn how to play an entirely new game.

Thank You to the Friends of the Library for their generous sponsorship!

“Check Us Out” Chess Club
Tuesday: January 21, February 18, March 17, April 21, and May 12
3:30 - 5:30 pm
Drop in and play chess with us! No experience necessary, we can teach you! All ages welcome.

Dungeons & Dragons Adventures
Thursday: January 23, February 20, March 19, April 23, and May 21
5 - 8 pm
When Monsters Rise at the Library, Whether Troll, or Dragon, or spry Faerie; Heroes Gather to Oppose their Blight At Dungeon & Dragons Adventure Night Recommended for Teens and Adults.

Maker Magic
Thursday, February 6, March 5, April 2, and May 14 • 6:30 - 8 pm
Join us as we make crafting magic! Maker Magic is an exciting adult program that is your chance to gather and create with friends, as a family, or individually. The program is open to patrons ages 8 & up, but children must be accompanied by an adult.

Cyber Starters: Q&A
Friday: February 7, March 13
11:30 am - 1:30 pm
Do you have questions about technology? Struggling with a new device? Maybe you want to learn more about an existing device? Cyber Starters is here to help! Bring your questions and the device and get 1-on-1 help!

Tell Us About Your Travels
Wednesdays • 7 - 8:30 pm
Enjoy travelers sharing their experiences through photos while learning about other cultures.

February 19: French Indochina: Vietnam, Laos, and Cambodia
March 18: Ireland, including North Ireland
April 15: Belgium, the Netherlands, and Luxembourg (also known as “BeNeLux”) May 20: Greece

Morning Book Group
Thursdays• 10 - 11:30 am
Join us for coffee and a discussion. Bring a sense of curiosity.

January 9: Eleanor Oliphant is Completely Fine by Karen Honeyman
February 6: The Lady in Gold... by Marie O’Connor
February 13: Woman in Gold (Movie & Discussion)
March 5: The Woman in the Window by A.J. Finn
April 2: The Wife by Meg Wolitzer
April 9: The Wife (Movie & Discussion)
May 7: What the Eyes Don’t See... by Mona Hanna-Attisha
June 4: Forever Friday by Timothy Lewis

Maker Mondays
Monday: January 6, February 3, March 2, April 13, and May 4
6 - 8 pm • Conference Room
Learn to use our 3D printer, vinyl cutter, and design software to construct cool creations! We’ll be making personalized Lego Minifigs, 3D Glow Circuits, and more!

Memorials & Donations
MEMORIAL DONATIONS
LaVonne Kaul • Robert Scott
DONATIONS
Clarkston Farm and Garden Club • Dave and Marion Barran
Church of the Resurrection • Jan Dunlop • Joyce Gibbs
Elizabeth Egan (Piano Class) • Margaret and Thomas Miller
Harry and Jennifer Radcliff
BUSINESS CENTER DONATION
Kastler Financial Planner

More Recommended Books for You!

FORTY AUTUMNS
Ada Nafisi

TALKING TO STRANGERS
Malcolm Gladwell

EXPLORE | WINTER/SPRING 2020
Oakland County Bicentennial Celebration
Wednesday, February 5 • 7 - 8 pm
2020 marks the 200th anniversary of the founding of Oakland County. To celebrate this bicentennial, the Oakland County Historical Commission is donating reprints of the 1877 History of Oakland County to various libraries around the county. Historian and member Jim Craft will discuss the book’s value, specifically how it can benefit general readers, researchers, and teachers. Mr. Craft will talk about what life was like in 19th-Century Oakland County and enhance understanding by connecting it to the broader American history scope.

Larry Martin’s WWII in Their Own Words
Friday, May 8 • 1 - 3 pm
The Clarkston Independence District Library and the Clarkston Community Historical Society are proud to present Larry Martin and his project “WWII in Their Own Words”! For many years, Martin has been dedicated to interviewing soldiers and civilians who suffered and persevered during the war to ensure that their stories are not forgotten. In recognition of the 75th anniversary of V-E Day on Friday, May 8, hear the story of Lieutenant Fred Bahlau - a Michigan paratrooper in the 101st Airborne Division who dropped into Normandy and fought in the Battle of the Bulge. Arrive at 12:30 pm to see a display of WWII memorabilia.

Evening Book Club
Tuesdays • 7:30 - 9 pm
Join us at the library to discuss one of the many books the group is reading.
January 7: News of The World by Paulette Jiles
February 4: The Friend by Sigrid Nunez
March 3: The Summer Cottage by Viola Shipman
April 7: Everyone’s Reading Selection (TBD)
May 5: The Only Woman in the Room by Marie Benedict

Got Yarn
2nd and 4th Wednesday of every Month • 7 - 8:30 pm
Learn to knit, pick up new skills, get help with your project, or find new inspiration. Beginners to Advanced - All are welcome!

Parent to Parent Book Club
Tuesday: January 14, February 11, March 10, April 14, May 12, and June 9 10 - 11 am
Join us each month as we discuss a new title dealing with the strategies, successes, and the trials of raising a child. Parents, grandparents, caregivers, and anyone else invested in growing a healthy, happy, successful child are welcome! Our first title is “How to Talk So Teens Will Listen and Listen So Teens Will Talk” by Adele Faber and Elaine Mazlish.

Bingo!
Monday, March 30 • 7 - 8:30 pm
Join us for a night of fun, excitement, and the chance to shout “BINGO!” Try your luck and win a gift card to a variety of local businesses. Please register for this event as space is limited.

Sherril Bailey Book Signing
Tuesday, March 17 • 5 – 7 pm
Join us as we welcome author Sherril Bailey as she discusses her book “Reminiscences” as well as her life growing up in Traverse City, residing in Clarkston for 29 years, and teaching at a bilingual school in Mexico.

High Times in Dry Times
Wednesday, January 15 • 7 - 8 pm
Lois Sprengnether Keel is a local storyteller, who has delighted audiences with a variety of programs. Her latest looks at Michigan during Prohibition, which was passed 100 years ago this week! Keel will explore how it maintained its dry state and the lengths that people were willing to go in order to obtain alcohol. Learn facts that you never would have thought off like how about 75 percent of all alcohol smuggled into the United States during Prohibition crossed the Detroit River from Canada, or what became known as the Detroit-Windsor Funnel. Come and check out how a good story always starts with alcohol, or at least a need for it.

A Union of Books
Wednesday: January 8, February 5, March 4, April 1, and May 6 • 7:30 - 9:30 pm
Clarkston Union
A Union of Books is an exciting new book group taking place ofsite at the Clarkston Union. Discuss the latest and greatest in Science Fiction, Fantasy, YA, and more – all while enjoying an adult beverage or a tasty treat! Ages 18 and up are welcome (must be 21 and up with a valid ID to have alcoholic beverages). Copies of the book will be available to pick up at the circulation desk.

January 8: The Snow Child by Eowyn Ivey
February 5: My Lady Jane by Cynthia Hand

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Exam Cram!
Sunday, January 12 • 1 - 5:30 pm
Monday and Tuesday, January 13 and 14
2:30 - 8:30 pm
We’ve opened up the Community Meeting Room as a space to study for mid-terms! We will provide drinks, snacks, and some stress-relieving activities to get you through some last minute exam cramming. Space is available on a first come, first served basis.

Teen Lead
1st Tuesday of each month, January - April • 6 pm
Teens in grades 9-12 looking to gain volunteer hours by helping out in the Library should join our meetings and discuss ways to improve the Library’s teen department. Join us and become a leader! Snacks provided.

Teen Lead End of Year Celebration
Tuesday, May 5 • 6 pm
This will be the last meeting of the year before summer starts! Join us to reflect on and celebrate all you have accomplished this year while eating pizza!

Teen Writers
1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the month, January - May 9 • 6 - 7 pm
Do you love to write and are looking for a place to share your ideas? Then join this exciting group of fellow writers and improve your writing skills by sharing, gaining feedback, and having fun! Walk-ins welcome, no registration required! Snacks provided. In partnership with the Clarkston Area Optimist Club.

Teen Tuesdays
Tuesday: January 28, February 25, April 14, and May 19 • 5 pm
Our monthly teen event created by teens for teens! Join us for special events each month like trivia, movie nights, crafts, and more! Check back later for more details. No registration required.

For more information on Teen Programs, contact Alayna Jones at jonesa@cidlibrary.org

Teen Anime Club
2nd Wednesday of the month • 5 pm
Teens interested in manga, anime, and Japanese culture can meet to discuss and swap their favorite titles, watch anime films, and more! Snacks provided.

No registration required, drop-ins welcome! Ages 14 and up. If a teen 12 - 13 years old would like to attend, please contact Alayna Jones for a parental permission slip.

January 15 — Making Ramen!: We’ll have a big crock pot of Ramen noodles and lots of toppings for you to add! You can show off your chopstick skills or use a fork.

February 12 — Soot Sprites!: If you’ve seen a Studio Ghibli film, then you will be very familiar with these cute little puff balls.

March 11 — Manga Expression Clips: Change up your look with these clips that look like a sweat drop, rage vein, thinking dots, and whatever else you can think to make!

April 8 — Hanami Dango and Cherry Blossom Craft: Around this time of year, the Sakura trees in Japan start to bloom. Let’s celebrate in our own way by creating some pretty art with pink petals and trying a traditional flower viewing treat!

May 13 — Pokéball Terrariums!: Ever wonder what the inside of a pokéball looks like? Well wonder no more! Create your own Pokémon paradise inside a plastic pokéball.

Teen Art Show 2020
Wednesday, March 25 • 6 pm
Join us for the 12th Annual Imagine That Teen Art Show, sponsored by the Friends of the Library. The goal of this event is to give teens in grades 6 through 12 the opportunity to showcase their artwork, gain recognition, and empower them as valued members of our community. Each year, approximately 15 prizes are awarded to students for artwork submitted in various categories and every artist who participates in the show receives a certificate of participation and a special treat.

Do you know a student in grades 6 through 12 who would like to submit an art piece? Submission forms are available at the Library and also under the Teen Services section on our website.