# CHECK IT OUT

Presented by the Friends of the Lake Odessa Community Library

September - October - November - December 2016



#### Connie Teachworth Retires

After 27 years of service to our local library and community, Connie Teachworth retired August 25 as Library Director. She will continue to live in the community and help out in the transition with our new library director.

Connie sends her thanks to all who helped her over the years to make her time as library director a success, including the move in 1998 to our current downtown location and the 2014 remodeling and addition to the building.

An Open House was held on August 24 at the li-

brary to give the community a chance to wish Connie well in her retirement. The Friends, Library Board, and Library Staff gathered that evening for a dinner in her honor.



During the Open House, Carole Heinze views the Community Wall Board that created about Connie that was on dis-

#### **Library Hours:**

Tues. & Thurs. 9 a.m. - 7 p.m. Wed. & Fri. 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Saturday 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Closed Sundays & Mondays

Also Closed:

Thursday, November 24 Saturday, December 24 Saturday, December 31

#### Contact Us:

616.374.4591 lakeodessalibrary.org



Jennifer Salgat and Patti Cooreman play during August.



Help the Library. Share our Facebook posts with your Friends!

Library Staff (Deb, Jen, and Julie) have some fun with Connie on her last day.

There are more memories than we can count. Thank you Connie for everything vou did!



### **Issue Highlights**

- Connie's Retirement
- Calendar of Events
- Patti's Picks
- Summer Reading **Program Sponsors**
- New Librarian
- Summer Reading Program

## QUARTERLY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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September — Stories and Fall Fun for All
September 7
                  10:30 a.m. Preschool Story Time (Ages 2-5)
September 8
                   10:30 a.m. Story Time Fun for Ages 3-5
                       1 p.m. Fall Knitting Group
September 13
                  10:30 a.m. Preschool Story Time (Ages 2-5)
September 14
                   10:30 a.m. Story Time Fun for Ages 3-5
September 15
September 15
                       1 p.m. Homeschool Meeting
September 20
                       1 p.m. Fall Knitting Group
                       6 p.m. Ladies Craft Night (Fall Wall Hanging)
September 20
                   10:30 a.m. Preschool Story Time (Ages 2-5)
September 21
September 22
                  10:30 a.m. Story Time Fun for Ages 3-5
                       2 p.m. Inspirational Book Discussion (To See the Moon Again by Turner)
September 22
                       1 p.m. Fall Knitting Group
September 27
                       1 p.m. Book Discussion with a Twist for Ages 11+
September 27
                   10:30 a.m. Preschool Story Time (Ages 2-5)
September 28
September 29
                   10:30 a.m. Story Time Fun for Ages 3-5
October — Tall Tales and Crafty Creations
October 4
                       1 p.m. Fall Knitting Group
October 5
                  10:30 a.m. Preschool Story Time (Ages 2-5)
                  10:30 a.m. Story Time Fun for Ages 3-5
October 6
                       4 p.m. Scooby-Do Afterschool Program (Ages 5+)
October 6
                       1 p.m. Fall Knitting Group
October 11
October 12
                  10:30 a.m. Preschool Story Time (Ages 2-5)
October 13
                  10:30 a.m. Story Time Fun for Ages 3-5
                       2 p.m. Inspirational Book Discussion
October 13
October 13
                       4 p.m. Teen Afterschool Program
                       1 p.m. Fall Knitting Group
October 18
                       6 p.m. Ladies Craft Night
October 18
                  10:30 a.m. Preschool Story Time (Ages 2-5)
10:30 a.m. Story Time Fun for Ages 3-5
1 p.m. Homeschool Program
1 p.m. Fall Knitting Group
October 19
October 20
October 20
October 25
                       1 p.m. Book Discussion with a Twist for Ages 11+
October 25
October 26
                  10:30 a.m. Preschool Story Time (Ages 2-5)
October 27
                  10:30 a.m. Story Time Fun for Ages 3-5
November — Tea, Treats, and Thanks
                      1 p.m. Fall Knitting Group
November 1
November 2
                  10:30 a.m. Preschool Story Time (Ages 2-5)
                  10:30 a.m. Story Time Fun for Ages 3-5
November 3
November 3
                       4 p.m. Afterschool Program (Ages 5+)
                       1 p.m. Tea Time at the Library
November 5
                       1 p.m. Fall Knitting Group
November 8
                   10:30 a.m. Preschool Story Time (Ages 2-5)
November 9
November 10
                   10:30 a.m. Story Time Fun for Ages 3-5
                       2 p.m. Inspirational Book Discussion
November 10
                4 p.m. Teen Afterschool Program
12—1:30 p.m. Ladies Lunch & Craft (Reservations Required)
November 10
November 15
November 15
                        1 p.m. Fall Knitting Group
November 16
                   10:30 a.m. Preschool Story Time (Ages 2-5)
                   10:30 a.m. Story Time Fun for Ages 3-5
November 17
November 17
                       1 p.m. Homeschool Program
November 22
                       1 p.m. Book Discussion with a Twist for Ages 11+
November 23
                  10:30 a.m. Story Time Fun for Ages 2+
December — Holidays and Happenings
December 1
                      4 p.m.
                               Afterschool Program (Ages 5+)
December 8
                      2 p.m.
                               Inspirational Book Discussion
December 8
                               Teen Afterschool Program
                      4 p.m.
December 15
                      1 p.m.
                               Homeschool Program
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#### **New Library Director Started September 6**

Ionia native Mattie Cook is excited to join the Lake Odessa Community Library team as Library Director. After obtaining a Bachelor of Arts degree in political science at Michigan State University and a Masters of Library and Information Science at Wayne State University, Mattie began her library career as a young adult librarian, and was later promoted to the head of circulation services, at River Grove Public Library in metro Chicago.

Mattie is looking forward to sharing her love of libraries with the Lake Odessa community, and hopes to continue the library's tradition of providing exemplary services, programs, and materials for all ages. When not working, she enjoys reading, crocheting, playing the piano, and cycling.

The Friends will host a meet-and-greet this fall for our new library director. Look for an announcement of the time and date in the *Lakewood News* and at the library. In the meantime, feel free to stop by and introduce yourself to our new director and welcome her to our friendly port.

#### **Tea Time at the Library November 5**



"Care for a cuppa?" This year the annual Tea Time at the Library will be a traditional British tea, an important part of daily life dating back to the 17th century. Anna Marie Russel, Duchess of Bedford, is credited with establishing the custom of afternoon tea. She served elegantly plated sandwiches and assorted sweets to guests and friends. In the Victorian era afternoon tea became fashionable among all walks of life, where tea was accompanied by affordable meats, breads, and cheeses. It is a relaxing activity that is becoming more popular in America too. Tickets for this event cost \$10 and go on sale in October. Support your local library and have a cuppa tea and goodies!

#### **Ladies Craft Events**

See the Calendar of Events and look for future announcements of fun-filled craft nights and a Saturday afternoon luncheon and craft time. Library staff need your help. Used *Reader's Digest Select Editions* hardcover books are needed for one of the crafts. If you have any of these books you would like to donate or know of someone, please call the library (616.374-4591). The books are needed by October 12th.



Cat Sat. Report

summer reading program was very successful! We had 221 children and teens registered for

the program and 142 finished all of the summer reading activities for their respective age groups. In addition, over 100 participants attended the Wednesday morning events.







#### Friends of the Library

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Contact the Friends at: lakeofriends@gmail.com

Meets: 9/13, 10/11, 11/8, & 12/13 @ 3 p.m. in the library meeting rooms.

#### **Board of Trustees**

Joel Pepper Chair

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Meets: 9/28, 10/26, 11/16, 12/28 @ 7 p.m. in the library meeting rooms. Public is welcome.

Trustee

Mike Hickey

Library Staff Members: Mattie A. Cook, Library Director Deb Morrison, Julie Stahl, Jennifer Salgat, Carrie DeVries & Sarah Roberts

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