

CHECK IT OUT!



Presented by the Friends of the Lake Odessa Community Library

January • February • March • April 2019

IN WITH THE NEW!

This newsletter is dedicated to all the wonderful new things you will find at our library. Some items and services were purchased through generous donations, others through monies raised by the Friends at their events, and some purchases from the library's budget. Whatever the source, these items make our facility more accessible for people of all ages and abilities and enhance and protect our book collection and furnishings.



A generous donation from the family of **Ellen Yager** has allowed the library to purchase a variety of **magnifiers**. If you would like to use a magnifier, inquire at the front desk.

Receive **Text Message** alerts for holds, overdues, and items due soon. Text the word **SIGNUP** to 616.432.2161. You will be prompted to enter your library card barcode and PIN to complete the process.

Hannah Roberts, Student Assistant, has used her artistic skills to embellish our **Free Little Library** in the Village Park. Early snow in November prevented its completion, but it's looking great!



Mike Forton, Library Staff Member, reports lots of activity in donating, sharing, and using the Free Little Library. If you need a book when the library is closed, check it out!



Weather bad? Don't want to leave your car to return a book? You now have the option to drive up the alley behind the library and use the new **Book Drop** to return library books. Enter the alley from 1st Street so you can drive up and drop off books without leaving your vehicle.

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:

Tuesday, January 1
Friday & Sat. April 19 & 20
Saturday, April 27

Contact Us:

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Issue Highlights

- What's New
- Calendar of Events
- Countywide Book Read
- The Great American Read
- Festival of Tables
- Morris Legacy

QUARTERLY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

January — Let It Snow

January 1	Library Closed	
Tuesdays	1-3 p.m.	Knitting Group
Wednesdays	10:30 a.m.	Family Storytime (Ideal for Ages 2-5)
Thursdays	10:30 a.m.	Family Storytime (Ideal for Ages 2-5)
January 3	10:30 a.m.	Jingle and Mingle Party (Ages 5-11)
January 3	2:00 p.m.	Out with the Old Party (Ages 11-18)
January 8	6:00 p.m.	Life H.A.X. Personal Safety with Sgt. Jack Peters
January 15	4:30-5:30 p.m.	Craft Night—Valentine Project (Ages 11+)
January 17	1:00 p.m.	Homeschool Group—Monthly Meetings 3rd Thursdays
January 22	4:00 p.m.	Books in Action + Pizza! (Ages 9+)—Monthly Discussion 4th Tuesdays
January 24	2:00 p.m.	Inspirational Book Discussion
January 24	4:00-5:30 p.m.	Mike's STEM Program (Ages 13-18)

February— Love is in the Air

Tuesdays	1-3 p.m.	Knitting Group
Wednesdays	10:30 a.m.	Family Storytime (Ideal for Ages 2-5)
Thursdays	10:30 a.m.	Family Storytime (Ideal for Ages 2-5)
February 7	4:00 p.m.	After School Kids Group (Ages 5-11)
February 12	6:00 p.m.	Life H.A.X. —Financial Tips (Ages 12+)—Monthly 2nd Tuesday
February 14	4:00 p.m.	Teen After School Program (Ages 11-18)
February 19	4:30-5:30 p.m.	Craft Night (Ages 11+)
February 21	1:00 p.m.	Homeschool Group—Monthly Meetings 3rd Thursdays
February 21	4:00 p.m.	Adult Trivia—Are You Smarter Than a Librarian? (Ages 16+)
February 26	4:00 p.m.	Books in Action + Pizza! (Ages 9+)—Monthly Discussion 4th Tuesdays
February 28	2:00 p.m.	Inspirational Book Discussion
February 28	4:00-5:30 p.m.	Mike's STEM Program (Ages 13-18)

March—Winter Holding Back, Spring Moving Forward

Tuesdays	1-3 p.m.	Knitting Group
Wednesdays	10:30 a.m.	Family Storytime (Ideal Ages 2-5)
Thursdays	10:30 a.m.	Family Storytime (Ideal Ages 2-5)
March 7	4:00 p.m.	After School Kids Group (Ages 5-11)
March 12	6:00 p.m.	Life H.A.X. —Sewing Tips (Ages 12+)—Monthly 2nd Tuesday
March 14	4:00 p.m.	Teen After School Program (Ages 11-18)
March 14	4:00 p.m.	Battle of the Books in Ionia
March 21	1:00 p.m.	Homeschool Group — Monthly Meetings 3rd Thursday
March 26	4:00 p.m.	Books in Action + Pizza! (Ages 9+)—Monthly Discussion 4th Tuesdays
March 28	2:00 p.m.	Inspirational Book Discussion
March 28	4:00-5:30 p.m.	Mike's STEM Program (Ages 13-18)

April—The Spirit of Youth in Everything

Wednesdays	10:30 a.m.	Family Storytime (Ideal Ages 2-5)
Thursdays	10:30 a.m.	Family Storytime (Ideal Ages 2-5)
April 3	10:30 a.m.	Special Family Storytime (All Ages)
April 4	2:00 p.m.	Teen Spring Break Program (Ages 11+)
April 19-20	Library Closed	Easter Weekend
April 23	4:00 p.m.	Books in Action + Pizza! (Ages 9+)—Monthly Discussion 4th Tuesdays
April 23	4:30-5:30 p.m.	Craft Night (Ages 11+)
April 25	2:00 p.m.	Inspirational Book Discussion
April 25	4:00-5:30 p.m.	Mike's STEM Program (Ages 13-18)
April 27	Library Closed	Festival of Tables (11 a.m.-2 p.m.)

Check out our Facebook page and the Library's website for additional programs.

Community Art Wall



We are so excited to display art on our **Community Art Wall**! Thanks to **AMI** and **Mike Warrick**, our wall now has magnetic adjustable shelves that hold tightly to the wall and can accommodate various types of art.

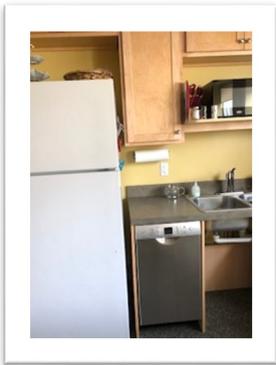
Remote-Controlled Solar Shades



The library's large front windows let in a lot of light and make our building look welcoming. At the same time the light can damage books and upholstery. Kevin's Draperies installed new **Solar Shades** to control the sun coming into the building.

The employee breakroom is now equipped with a **Dish-washer**, making cleanup after events like Tea Time at the Library, adult and children's crafts, and meetings easier.

Dishwasher

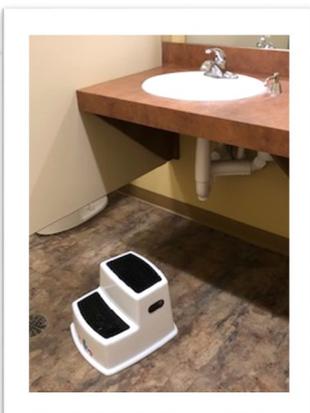


Mike Warrick built and installed new **Upper Cabinets** in the Meeting Room A. They match the existing lower cabinets and provide much needed storage for all the activities that take place in both meeting rooms.

New Upper Cabinets



Portable Wheelchair



The library now has a portable **Wheelchair** for patrons to use if need to sit while waiting for service, or to navigate the library. Both bathrooms now have a **Step Stool** available for children to use when washing their hands.

Step Stool

Automated External Defibrillator Unit Presentation



Ionia Sparrow Hospital donated a portable AED Unit to the library. Library Director, Jennifer Salgat, has been trained in its operation and a presentation was made to the Lakewood Area Chamber of Commerce so downtown businesses are aware of its availability.

Ionia County Book Selection

2019 Ionia County “On the Same Page” Book Selection

**“SOMETIMES YOU CAN DO
EVERYTHING RIGHT AND THINGS
WILL STILL GO WRONG. THE KEY
IS TO NEVER STOP DOING RIGHT.”**

ANGIE THOMAS
The Hate U Give



The book selection for the countywide book read is **The Hate U Give** by Angie Thomas. This annual event is sponsored by the Ionia County Library Association. Our library will be giving away complementary copies of the book on Saturday, February 9, from 9 a.m. until noon. Book discussions and other events will be announced later, so follow us on Facebook, or check for announcements at the library.

The book’s audience is Grade 8 and up. Two black friends leave a party together and are pulled over by a white police officer who kills one of the friends. The survivor must testify before a grand jury that will decide whether to indict the policeman. Emotions run high. The first-person, present-tense narrative is immediate and intense, with dramatic scenes of violence and protest.

“Reading gives us someplace to go when we have to stay where we are.”

—Mason Cooley

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Meets: 1/08, 2/12, 3/05, & 4/9
@ 3 p.m. in the Library Meeting Rooms.

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Meets: 1/23, 2/27, 3/27, & 4/24
@ 7 p.m. in the Library Meeting Rooms.
Public is welcome.

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Address: _____

City: _____

Zip Code: _____

Please Check One:

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(\$10 Annual Fee)

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Library Staff Members: *Jennifer Salgat, Library Director ,
Deb Morrison, Julie Stahl, Kecia Dillon, Mike Forton,
& Hannah Roberts.*
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Want to curl up and read a good book this winter? How about reading books that won the national or local vote in “the Great American Read?” Locally the **Harry Potter** (series) by J.K. Rowling took first place, then a tie for second with **The Outsiders** by S.E. Hinton and **The Chronicles of Narnia** (series) by C.S. Lewis. National results were **To Kill a Mockingbird** by Harper Lee in first, then **Outlander** by Diana Gabaldon and **Harry Potter** (series).

Tea Time at the Library

Our 10th Annual Tea Time at the Library was held on November 10th. Attendees enjoyed a wonderful program on Beatrix Potter presented by Brenda Filkins. Plates and cups for the event were donated by the Marian Klein estate and Jewel Eckstrom.



2019 Festival of Tables

The annual Festival of Tables will be held one week later than usual because of when Easter falls this year. So save the date: Saturday, **April 27, 2019**. We need table sponsors! A sponsor decorates a table and invites friends, relatives, or business associates to join them in the fun. Table themes are up to the sponsor. Examples are hobbies, seasons, holidays, and sports teams. Sponsors get a free ticket and library staff will help sponsors fill the seats at their table if notified by April 1 of open seating.

Robert Morris Legacy Donation

Lake Odessa native Robert “Bob” Morris died unexpectedly in July 2017 at his home in California. Unknown to the Friends of the Library, Bob had established a legacy fund through the Barry County Community Foundation and designated the Friends as one of three organizations to benefit in perpetuity. The Thornapple Legacy Society dinner was held on September 6, 2018 where Heidi Reed, Friends Co-chair, Jennifer Salgat, Library Director, and Joel Pepper, Library Board President, found out the good news.

