

# CHECK IT OUT!



Presented by the Friends of the Lake Odessa Community Library

September · October · November · December 2018

## Summer Reading Program

4639

Library items checked out in June & July

42

Preschoolers

181

K-8th Graders

62

Teens

285

Total Children Registered

99

Readers completing all FIVE reading goals



23

Summer Reading Programs in June & July

### 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:

Saturday, September 1  
Thurs., Fri., & Sat., Nov. 22-24  
Saturday, December 22  
Tuesday, December 25  
Saturday, December 29

### Contact Us:

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2018 Summer Reading Program was a great success! It was a busy summer at the Library. Hundreds of children visited the Library weekly to turn in tickets for completed reading goals, to replenish reading materials, and to experience the fun and educational events the Library offered in June and July.

Community support continues to amaze Library staff as many local businesses, organizations, and patrons sponsored and volunteered to help with this year's program. Jennifer Salgat, Library Director comments, "It's exciting to see how our library is quickly becoming a popular destination in town. Because of a supportive community, we can offer a safe and inviting place to hang out, engaging programs, and multiple ways to access information and entertainment." Our community is lucky to have such dedicated and experienced staff that put on such wonderful children's programs!

**"The MORE that you read, the MORE things you will know. The MORE that you LEARN, the MORE places you'll go."**—Dr. Seuss



### Issue Highlights

- Summer Reading Program
- Calendar of Events
- Patti's Picks & Summer Reading Program Sponsors
- Author Visits
- Tea Time at the Library

# QUARTERLY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## September — Beginning of Autumn

|              |              |   |
|--------------|--------------|---|
| September 1  |              | Library Closed  |
| Wednesdays   | 10:30 a.m.   | Family Storytime (Ideal Ages 2-5) — Beginning September 5                     |
| Thursdays    | 10:30 a.m.   | Family Storytime (Ideal Ages 2-5) — Beginning September 6                     |
| September 6  | 4:00 p.m.    | Card Tricks (Ages 5-11)   |
| Tuesdays     | 1 -3:00 p.m. | Knitting Group — Beginning September 11                                       |
| September 11 | 6:00 p.m.    | Helpful and Exciting Life Skills (Life H.A.X.) (Ages 12+)—Monthly 2nd Tuesday |
| September 13 | 4:00 p.m.    | Makey-Makey Contest (Teens 11+)   |
| September 18 | 5:30 p.m.    | Craft Night — Pumpkin T-shirt, \$1.50, Pre-register (Ages 11+)                |
| September 20 | 1:00 p.m.    | Homeschool Group — Monthly Meetings 3rd Thursday                              |
| September 22 | 10:30 p.m.   | Author Talks — Mary Roessler  |
| September 25 | 3:00 p.m.    | Books in Action! and Pizza (Age 10+) — Monthly Discussions 4th Tuesday        |
| September 27 | 2:00 p.m.    | Inspirational Book Discussion   |
| September 27 | 4:00 p.m.    | Mike's STEM Program (Ages 13-18)  |

## October— Revealing Colors in the Trees

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| Tuesdays   | 1 - 3:00 p.m. | Knitting Group  |
| October 2  | 5:30 p.m.     | Author Talks — Bill Mathis  |
| October 4  | 4:00 p.m.     | After School Kids Group — Build a Stick Car and Car Race (Ages 5-11)          |
| Wednesdays | 10:30 a.m.    | Family Storytime (Ideal Ages 2-5)   |
| Thursdays  | 10:30 a.m.    | Family Storytime (Ideal Ages 2-5)   |
| October 9  | 6:00 p.m.     | Helpful and Exciting Life Skills (Life H.A.X.) (Ages 12+)—Monthly 2nd Tuesday |
| October 16 | 5:30 p.m.     | Craft Night — String Pumpkins (Ages 11+)                                      |
| October 18 | 1:00 p.m.     | Homeschool Group — Monthly Meetings 3rd Thursday                              |
| October 23 | 3:00 p.m.     | Books in Action! and Pizza (Age 10+) — Monthly Discussions 4th Tuesday        |
| October 23 | 3:00 p.m.     | The Great American Read Vote Ends and Local Winner Announced                  |
| October 25 | 2:00 p.m.     | Inspirational Book Discussion   |
| October 25 | 4:00 p.m.     | Mike's STEM Program (Ages 13-18)  |

## November — Gathering of the Crops

|                |              |   |
|----------------|--------------|---|
| November 1     | 4:00 p.m.    | After School Kids Group (Ages 5-11)   |
| November 6     | 1 -3:00 p.m. | Knitting Group  |
| November 6     | 6:00 p.m.    | Author Talks — Phil Stagg   |
| Wednesdays     | 10:30 a.m.   | Family Storytime (Ideal Ages 2-5)   |
| Thursdays      | 10:30 a.m.   | Family Storytime (Ideal Ages 2-5)   |
| November 8     | 4:00 p.m.    | Teens After School Program (Ages 11-18)                                       |
| November 10    | 1:00 p.m.    | Tea Time at the Library   |
| November 13    | 1 -3:00 p.m. | Knitting Group  |
| November 13    | 6:00 p.m.    | Helpful and Exciting Life Skills (Life H.A.X.) (Ages 12+)—Monthly 2nd Tuesday |
| November 15    | 1:00 p.m.    | Homeschool Group — Monthly Meetings 3rd Thursday                              |
| November 21    | 10:30 a.m.   | Special Family Storytime (Ages 2+)  |
| November 22-24 |              | Library Closed  |
| November 27    | 3:00 p.m.    | Books in Action! and Pizza (Age 10+) — Monthly Discussions 4th Tuesday        |
| November 29    | 2:00 p.m.    | Inspirational Book Discussion   |
| November 29    | 4:00 p.m.    | Mike's STEM Program (Ages 13-18)  |

## December— Blazing Fires and Good Wishes

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|------------------|--------------|---|
| Wednesdays       | 10:30 a.m.   | Family Storytime (Ideal Ages 2-5)   |
| Thursdays        | 10:30 a.m.   | Family Storytime (Ideal Ages 2-5)   |
| December 6       | 3 -5:30 p.m. | Make and Take Christmas Crafts (Ages 5+)                                      |
| December 11      | 6:00 p.m.    | Helpful and Exciting Life Skills (Life H.A.X.) (Ages 12+)—Monthly 2nd Tuesday |
| December 18      | 4:00 p.m.    | Teen After School Program (Ages 11-18)  |
| December 20      | 1:00 p.m.    | Homeschool Group — Monthly Meetings Third Thursday                            |
| December 22      |              | Library Closed  |
| December 25      |              | Library Closed  |
| December 26 & 27 |              | No Storytime  |
| December 29      |              | Library Closed  |

## Still Time to Vote!



A display of some of America's best-loved novels is in the Library display case across from the Circulation Desk, along with ballots and the ballot box. Vote for your favorite book so the Friends can determine our patrons local favorite novel from America's top one hundred novels.

According to the PBS website *The Great American Read* is "designed to spark a national conversation about reading, literacy and the books that have inspired, moved and shaped us." National voting ends on October 18 and the winner is announced October 23. Our local vote ends 3 p.m. on October 23 and the winner announced that same day.

## What's New at the Library

Thanks to generous donations from individuals and proceeds from the Friends' annual *Festival of Tables*, the Library now has **automated doors** at both entrances. This change has been very well received. Often times persons with disabilities use the Library and staff and others bring in large items and need the doors opened. We are thankful to our supportive community in bringing this improvement to our building.



Power Up!  
Charging Station

The Friends also were able to purchase a **charging station** for patrons to use while they are in the Library. This station is located by the adult computers.

The Library has provided public WiFi to patrons for many years in our building. The Library now offers **mobile WiFi** with two Library Mobile Hotspots (LiFi) available for one-week checkout.

Grab a Hotspot for traveling. Use the Hotspot for navigation, stream movies on multiple devices, or everyone can listen to their own music station. The instructions for use are included with the devices.

Patrons must be 18-years or older, have a valid Lake Odessa Community Library Card, and provide a photo ID. A \$10 non-refundable deposit is required, along with a signed LiFi borrowing agreement. Check one out today from the Circulation Desk!

Automated Door  
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Library Entrances



Checkout Mobile LiFi  
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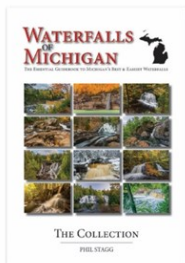
## Author Visits

The Lake Odessa Community Library invites the public to three book discussions this fall by local authors. There is no charge for these events.



On Saturday, September 22 at 10:30 a.m. retired Lakewood Schools teacher, **Mary Roessler** will be speaking at the Library about her book, *The Surprising Spring of Cyndarria Rose Thornwell*. The book is available for checkout at the Library and also available for purchase at Mary's visit and on Amazon.

Author **Bill Matthis** will be at the Library on Tuesday evening October 2 at 5:30 p.m. to discuss his book, *Face Your Fears*. The book is available for purchase during Bill's visit and also on Amazon.



**Phil Stagg**, photographer and author, is coming to the Library on Tuesday, November 6 at 6:00 p.m. His newest book, *Waterfalls of Michigan, the Collection*, is available for checkout at the Library. Phil will be bringing many of his books for purchase during his visit.

## Tea Time at the Library

The Friends of the Library present their annual fall tea on November 10, at 1 p.m. The tickets are \$10 and go on sale at the Library on October 2. Reservations will be accepted by calling the Library beginning September 11. Join us for a peek inside the life of beloved author and artist, Beatrix Potter. Brynda Filkins will present a dramatization of this incredible woman and interesting facts about that mischievous bunny, Peter Rabbit.



## Gift a Book to the Library

In December of each year the Library selects new seasonal books for donation to the Library. These books are placed in one of the display cases across from the circulation desk. Each book is marked with the price for donation. A bookplate inscribed with the donor's wishes is placed on the inside front cover before releasing into circulation. Anonymous donations are also welcome.



## Health Benefits of Reading

According to recent studies, reading helps us relax. The brain does something similar to meditation. The key is to read regularly. Then, when we return to everyday life, we are more aware and relaxed—just like the benefits of taking a vacation. So, go away to another world, immerge yourself in the historic past, or solve a crime—whatever it takes to sleep better, lower stress, and feel good. (From an article in *The New Yorker*.)

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Meets: 9/11, 10/9, 11/13, & 12/11  
@ 3 p.m. in the Library Meeting Rooms.

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Meets: 9/26, 10/24, 11/28, & 12/19  
@ 7 p.m. in the Library Meeting Rooms.  
Public is welcome.

## Return This Form to Become a Friend Today!

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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### Please Check One:

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**Library Staff Members:** *Jennifer Salgat, Library Director ,  
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# Patti's Fall Picks

Book Recommendations by Patti Cooreman



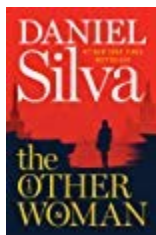
## ***The Wife*** by Alafair Burke

“to know something, he argued, was not the same as to be certain beyond all doubt. And to believe something was definitely not the same as to know it.” This book is fantastic! Believe me, from the first sentence to the last sentence it will grip you! And, in-between, your eyes will be fixed on every word. Granted, it has been awhile since I last read a psychological thriller (*The Girl on the Train*). *The Wife* does not disappoint, and will keep your mind going long after you read it.

May I just say, you may think you know whodunit...

## ***The Stolen Marriage*** by Diane Chamberlain

Historical fiction has always been a favorite genre of mine, and *The Stolen Marriage* is no exception. Overall, the story opens in 1943 Baltimore, Maryland and moves to Hickory, North Carolina where the Blacks, Jews, and Catholics “know their place” in the mainly white Southern Baptist community. Yet, what does the title mean? How can a marriage be stolen? I had to mindfully transport myself back to the customs of the times while reading the story of Tess, Henry, and Vincent. Agreeing with some of the customs while shaking my head in disgust at many others. I appreciated reading about the very real polio epidemic and how it affected Hickory, and how nurses were charged in treating their patients.



## ***The Other Woman*** by Daniel Silva

Fans of Daniel Silva's popular character, Gabriel Allon, master art restorer and sometime officer of Israeli intelligence, may find *The Other Woman* a bit lacking in both action and mayhem. However, I was almost convinced I was reading real daily headline stories just ripped from *The New York Times* as they relate to Russia and Vladimir Putin, Great Britain and ourselves. It's frightening stuff and even without all the usual action, I found #18 in this series intriguing. The story

skips around the globe from Vienna to Israel, up to the UK and over to Washington DC, with Gabriel and Graham Seymour trying to flush out a mole in their midst as the clock is ticking down. It's another thriller that doesn't disappoint.

## ***The Readers of Broken Wheel Recommend*** by Katrina Bivald

This is a book about Sara, a young woman who travels from Sweden to meet her elderly pen pal, Amy, who lives in Iowa. Sara arrives just as Amy's funeral ends. So begins a wonderful tale of a dying town, full of secrets, and characters that have a way of stealing hearts. After she decides to stay awhile, Sara opens a bookstore where none is needed because no one in Broken Wheel is interested in reading, or so they think. Many books are recommended by Sara and it's interesting which book to whom she will recommend. The town is anxious to take Sara under their wing and you will no doubt be caught up in the matchmaking schemes underway.



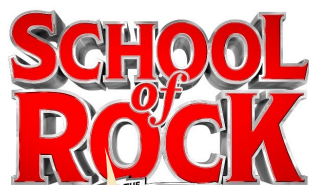
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