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Friends of the Lake Odessa Community Library
1007 Fourth Avenue
Lake Odessa, MI 48849

**Return This Form
to Become a Friend
Today!**

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Please Check One:

Good Friend
(\$10 Annual Fee)

Lifetime Friend
(\$100 Onetime Fee)

The Friends of the Lake Odessa
Community Library group is a
501(c)(3) non-profit organization.

Friends of the Library

Heidi Reed	Co-Chair
Dawn Deardorff	Co-Chair
Mary Flannery	Secretary
Myra Kauffman	Treasurer
Deanna Humphrey	Director
Martha Yoder	Director
Richard Stone	Director

Contact the Friends at:
lakeofriends@gmail.com

Meets 04/12, 05/10, & 6/14 @ 3 p.m. in
the Library Meeting Rooms. No July or
August meetings. Everyone welcome.

Board of Trustees

Joel Pepper	President
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Meets: 3/23, 4/27, 5/25, 6/22, 7/27 &
8/24 @ 7 p.m. in the Library Meeting
Rooms. Public is welcome.

Lake Odessa Community Library Staff Members:
*Jennifer Salgat, Library Director; Deb Morrison; Julie Stahl; Kecia Dillon;
Mike Forton; Tess Allerdig & Allison Fenlong.
Student Assistant: Samara Bailey.*

Library Resources

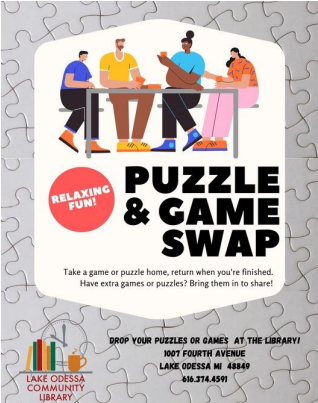
Materials Found in Our Library

Here are some things you may not know are available at our Library. There are seven hotspots, one Go Pro, and one Cricut System. Please call or visit the Library to determine availability.

The Michigan Department of Health and Human Services is distributing at-home, over-the-counter, self-COVID tests through some local libraries. At the time of this newsletter printing, our library had not yet received their supply of these kits. Call for availability and DO NOT come into the Library if experiencing symptoms. Kits will be made available thru curbside service.



Go Pro



Library Fun

PUZZLE & GAME SWAP

RELAXING FUN!

Take a game or puzzle home, return when you're finished. Have extra games or puzzles? Bring them in to share!

DROP YOUR PUZZLES OR GAMES AT THE LIBRARY!
 LAKE ODESSA COMMUNITY LIBRARY
 1007 FOURTH AVENUE
 LAKE ODESSA MI 48849
 616.374.4591

Cricut Expression System

AVAILABLE AT THE LAKE ODESSA COMMUNITY LIBRARY

TO CHECK OUT THE CRICUT:
 *YOU MUST HAVE A VALID LAKE ODESSA COMMUNITY LIBRARY CARD.
 *IF UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE, PARENT/GUARDIAN MUST BE PRESENT AT TIME OF CHECK-OUT.
 *CHECK-OUT IS FOR ONE (1) WEEK WITH A \$10 DEPOSIT.
 *\$1 PER DAY LATE FEE.
 *MUST RETURN TO THE CIRCULATION DESK...NO DROP BOXES.


The Lake Odessa Community Library also offers Cricut Cartridges!

TO CHECK OUT A CRICUT CARTRIDGE:
 *SAME GUIDELINES AS ABOVE
 WITH A \$10 DEPOSIT PER CARTRIDGE.

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 The Lake Odessa Community Library is an equal opportunity provider.

LiFi

Your library mobile hotspot



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Lake Odessa Community Library
 now offering **WiFi Hotspots!**

Check one out today from the Circulation Desk!!

\$10 Refundable Deposit Required Patron must be 18 years or older
 Signed Borrowing Agreement Valid LOCL card
 Ask at the Circulation Desk Photo ID

This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

Code & Go Robot Mouse



Play. Create. Learn.

Learning resources Code & Go Robot Mouse activity set.

To check out a Mouse Kit:

- *You must have a valid Lake Odessa Community Library card.
- *If under 18 years of age, Parent/Guardian must be present at time of check-out.
- *Check-out is for ONE (1) week.
- *\$1 per day late fee.
- *Must return to the circulation desk...no drop boxes.

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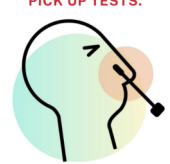


Back Drop Box

CALL FIRST! Take home self-test.

COVID-19
 FREE SWAB TESTS AVAILABLE AT THE LIBRARY

IF YOU ARE EXPERIENCING SYMPTOMS, PLEASE USE CURBSIDE SERVICE OR SEND A FRIEND TO PICK UP TESTS.



PROVIDED BY MDHHS
 ONE TEST PER HOUSEHOLD MEMBER
 (UP TO FIVE A DAY)
 LIMITED AMOUNT, PLEASE CALL TO CHECK AVAILABILITY
616 374-4591

LAKE ODESSA COMMUNITY LIBRARY

CHECK IT OUT!



Presented by the Friends of the Lake Odessa Community Library

Spring 2022



Need to Send a Fax or Make a Copy?

The Friends of the Library received an individual donation in February that enables extension of prints, copies and faxes at no cost. This service is available to anyone coming to the library. Customers can bring in copies to print, print from library computers, or use library WiFi to print from their personal devices.

Festival of Tables

There will be no Festival of Tables held this spring. The Friends of the Library are determining what type of event we could support in the fall. Stay tuned to Facebook and future newsletters for updates. If you have ideas, please feel free to share by attending one of our meetings (schedule on back of newsletter), or emailing the Friends at lakeofriends@gmail.com.

Library QR Code

What's a QR code and how do I use it? A QR code works similar to a barcode. It is a machine-scannable image that can be instantly read using a smartphone, tablet, or computer camera. Every QR code consists of a number of black squares and dots which represent certain pieces of information. When you scan the Library QR code on your device, it lets you easily access the Library website (lakeodessalibrary.org).

How Do I Get a Library Card?

In accordance with Lakeland Library Cooperative policy, our Library requires the following identification to verify residence: a current Michigan Driver License or Identification Card, or other picture identification with current address. Alternative verifications with current address accepted include a voter registration card, utility bill, health insurance card, automobile registration, or printed checks. Parents or guardians need to apply for library cards for minors.

Non-Odesa Township residents may also obtain a card. Residents of other communities that are part of the Lakeland Library Cooperative must have a card from their local library first. Those libraries are listed at lcoop.org. Others can obtain a special non-resident card but must pay if they want access to electronic collections.

Library Hours:

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

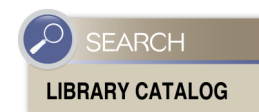
Closed Sundays & Mondays

Also closed:

Saturday, May 28
Saturday, July 2
Saturday, September 3

Contact the Library @:

616.374.4591
lakeodessalibrary.org



Accessing the Library from Home

Options for Electronic Access to Digital Collections

Where do I start? Although there are many ways to start your search, a good starting option is to look for the co-op logo and download that app to your phone, tablet, or computer. Log in with the name “Lake Odessa Community Library,” your library barcode and PIN. If you need a PIN, come in or call the Library. Check your account, place holds, renew items, and search for titles across platforms. Using your device camera, scan the barcode of your items and check out the materials without ever stopping at the library’s front desk.



Libby: OverDrive discontinued support for the OverDrive app on February 23, 2022, as it focuses users on Libby online and the Libby app for Apple (iOS) and Android smart phones and tablets. Libby is a free app where you can borrow e-books, digital audiobooks, and magazines. You can stream titles with Wi-Fi or mobile data, or download them for offline use and read anytime, anywhere. A major change in Libby is that

you can now borrow and place holds on the same title at different libraries. When doing so, the icon next to the title (known as a gem) updates its colors to reflect which of your libraries you've borrowed or placed the title on hold from. The Lakeland Library Co-op has partnered with four other libraries to share digital collections. This change means more e-books and audiobooks for you! To add these other libraries:

1. Tap the Libby menu icon.
2. Tap “Add Library.”
3. Search and add Midwest Collaborative for Library Services, Suburban Library Cooperative, Great Lakes Digital Libraries, and Download Destination.
4. If prompted, enter your library card number.
5. Browse the library collection and choose a title to check out.
6. Enjoy your e-book, e-magazine, or audiobook!

MI-83 Digital Library Connection: Every Library in Michigan is eligible to select Digital Content at no cost through this program. The Lakeland Library Cooperative is pleased to announce that the “MI-83 Digital Library Connection” will be used to support the priorities of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA) by providing all Michigan public libraries with equitable, in-perpetuity access to digital content in e-book and audiobook format. Funding is provided in part by the Institute of Museum & Library Services through the Library of Michigan.

Project partners include the Michigan Library Cooperatives and the Michigan Library Association. This grant will provide digital content to individual libraries, Shared Content Groups, and libraries that have never been able to offer digital content to their communities—enabling all Michigan residents to benefit from these federal funds. Every legally established Michigan public library is eligible for digital content, even those that do not qualify for state aid. In keeping with the federal legislative priorities, digital content topics include mental health, workforce development, job seeking skills, health, and general educational needs with a focus on nonfiction titles to enhance current collections and create new ones. Library Director, Jennifer Salgat, added 35 e-books and 23 audiobooks to our library’s collection through this grant.

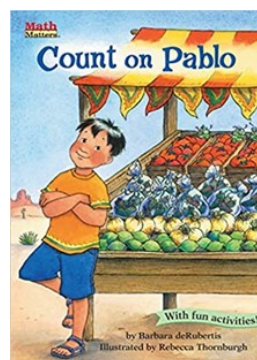


Download the **Hoopla** app on your favorite device. Create an account using your library barcode, PIN, and e-mail address. Easily listen to music and audiobooks. Checkout e-books and magazines. Watch movies and tv shows. Never wait for titles. Five downloads a month.

Kids Programs

Sign-up for Fun Times

Michigan's Smart Money Kids Read Program With generous monetary support from Michigan Credit Unions, free books are available for public library story times during National Financial Literacy Month, April, 2022. This year's book is the Math Matters book, *Count on Pablo!* by Barbara deRubertis, illustrated by Rebecca Thornburgh.



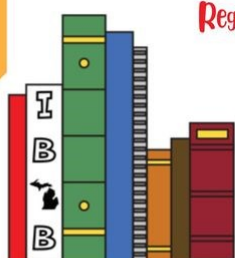
Portland Federal Credit Union representatives, along with Dollar Duck, are coming for story time on Wednesday, April 13th at 10:30 a.m. to our Library. Registration is requested. Please call or visit the Library to register.

Ready to Read Michigan A Ready to Read Michigan Grant from the Michigan Department of Education's Office of Great Start and the Institute of Museum & Library Services through the Library of Michigan, enabled the Lake Odessa Community Library to receive "Bunnaby Bunny" board books for preschooler story time. Library of Michigan's Ready to Read Michigan is highlighting the five practices every child needs to be ready to read: talk, sing, read, write, and play.

Spring Scavenger Hunt This program for preschoolers is sponsored by Ionia County Great Start Collaborative and will be for the months of April and May (April 1-May 27).

SIGN UP MARCH 1ST!

Registration Deadline:
March 25th



**Ionia County
Battle of the Books**

3RD-5TH
GRADE

Compete on a team
of 4 or sign up as an
individual!



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LYONS TOWNSHIP DISTRICT LIBRARY PORTLAND DISTRICT LIBRARY
SARANAC CLARKSVILLE DISTRICT LIBRARY

Checkout a Backpack of Books



Hard at work
on the
Sensory Table



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

March - "Autumn arrives in the early morning, but spring at the close of a winter day." Elizabeth Bowen

Weekly- Story time on Wednesdays @ 10:30 a.m.

March 3rd @ 4 p.m. Afterschool program for 5-11 year-olds

March 10th @ 4 p.m. Tween Lego Program for 8-14 year-olds

March 15th @ 3:30 p.m. S.T.E.M. program for 11-16 year-olds

March 17th @ 1:00 p.m. Home Based Education Program on Michigan for all school-age kids

March 24th @ 2:00 p.m. Inspired Readers book discussion – *Love and a Little White Lie* by Tammy Gray

April - "It was a bright cold day in April, and the clocks were striking thirteen." George Orwell

Preschoolers Spring Scavenger Hunt Friday, April 1st until Friday, May 27.th

Weekly – Story time on Wednesdays @ 10:30 a.m.

April 5th @ 2:00 p.m. Movie and popcorn with bingo breaks

April 6th @ 10:30 a.m. A Special Spring Break Family Story Time

April 7th @ 10:30 a.m. Paint party for ages 5+ (limited supplies, must pre-register)

April 7th @ 1:00 p.m. Book discussion on *A Night Divided* by Jennifer A. Nielsen for tweens and up

April 8th @ 2:00 p.m. Build the tallest tower out of newspaper & duct tape for ages 8-16

April 13th @ 10:30 a.m. Story Time Dollar Duck sponsored by Portland Federal Credit Union

April 19th @ 3:30 p.m. S.T.E.M. program for 11-16 year-olds

April 21st @ 1:00 p.m. Home Based Education Program on Michigan for all school-age kids

April 28th @ 2:00 p.m. Inspired Readers book discussion – *Leota's Garden* by Francine Rivers

May - "You are welcome as the flowers in May." Charles Macklin

Weekly- Story time on Wednesdays @ 10:30 a.m.

May 5th @ 4:00 p.m. Afterschool program for 5-11 year-olds

May 12th @ 4:00 p.m. Afterschool program for 8-14 year-olds

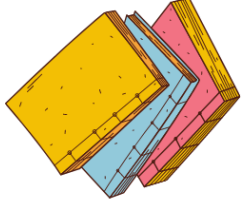
May 17th @ 3:30 p.m. S.T.E.M. program for 11-16 year-olds

May 19th @ 2:00 p.m. Home Based Education Program on Michigan for all school-age kids

May 26th @ 2:00 p.m. Inspired Readers Book Discussion-*When the Smoke Clears* by Lynette Eason

LIBRARY FACTS

Fiscal Year 21/22



1,987

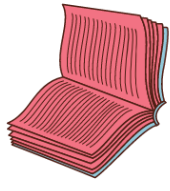
Hours Open to the Public

172

Programs in 21/22

3,825

Attendance at Programs



25,249

Check-outs

25,103

Check-ins

926

Holds Placed

1,841

Current Active Patrons Living
in Odessa TWP

1,134,615

Total Items Available to Patrons

4,180

Population Served

595

Current Active Patrons Living
outside Odessa TWP

1,437

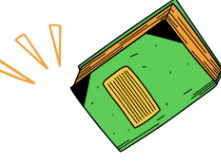
Items Borrowed from Other Libraries

10,651

WiFi Logins

4,556

Items Loaned to Other Libraries

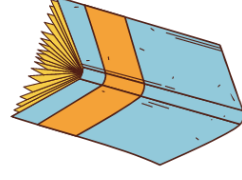


56,132

Minutes on Public Computers

2,212

Sessions on Public Computers



186

New Patrons in 21/22



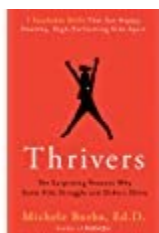
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Reading Matters

Book Reviews from Friends & Friends of Friends & Others



PARENTS! GRANDPARENTS! TEACHERS! Deanna Humphrey says ***Thrivers, The Surprising Reasons Why Some Kids Struggle and Others Shine*** by Michele Borba is a must read. How to help children be thrivers not strivers. It's not grades it's character! The author lists seven character traits and then explains how to build them in every child. A wealth of helpful, guiding information to help adults help children. (Book, e-book)

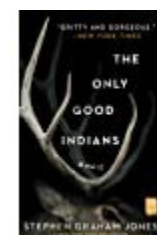
Anne-Marie Flannery recommends the next three books:

Catherynne Valente's novel ***Comfort Me With Apples*** provides a mystery mixed in historical myth. The story is told from the viewpoint of a woman living in an idyllic community, who comes to discover her life is not so perfect after all. Valente's talent lies in allowing the secret of the book to unfurl slowly and the reader to come to the truth of it on their own. (Audiobook, Hoopla)



Francisco Cantu worked for four years as border patrol agent in El Paso, Texas before leaving the job to pursue a literary degree. He details his experiences in the memoir ***The Line Becomes a River***. Cantu, also of Hispanic heritage, feels torn between doing his duty as an agent and sympathizing with the people risking their lives to arrive in America. The stakes are raised further when a friend of his is deported and Cantu works to reunite him with family in Texas. This book deftly describes the humanity and desperation of both the patrol agents and the migrants. The reader is left with the realization that all along the border in this country, the struggle continues. (e-book)

The Only Good Indians by ***Stephen Graham Jones*** is a book that includes both horror and social commentary. In their youth, four American Indian friends were involved in a morally questionable act, the reverberations of which would haunt them years later. An unearthly entity begins to stalk the men, seeking revenge. Graham Jones weaves issues of terror, regret, and the traditional folklore of Native Americans to showcase how selfish actions often result in a quest for justice by the aggrieved party. (Kindle, Adobe EPUB and Libby)



Libby's Literary Corner for Adults recommends: ***Honor***, by Thrity Umrigar, Smita, Indian American journalist, is back in India to help a friend, covering a story of family honor and sibling perfidy. She didn't leave India by choice and vowed never to return, but there she is, immersed in the heart-wrenching life of Meena, a young widow and mother. As hard as she tries to avoid getting emotionally involved, Smita finds herself drawn into the tragedy and hope of Meena, the culture of old India, still very much alive, and the vibrancy of modern India. Fighting for the rights of one wronged woman of poverty might just cost Smita more than she's prepared to give. It doesn't help that her chauffeur and host, Mohan, is, himself, conflicted between the India of his privilege and the one Smita experienced so long ago that forced her family to leave. Oh, how life becomes complicated when a journalist's story becomes personal. What a beautiful, beautiful story! (Book)

