

CHECK IT OUT!

Presented by the Friends of the Lake Odessa Community Library

WINTER 2022



LIBRARY RECEIVES STATE RECOGNITION

Congratulations to Lake Odessa Community Library for receiving the State Librarian's Citation of Excellence! The State Librarian's Citation of Excellence is awarded each year to highlight the importance of Michigan libraries' services and to recognize customer service and staff dedication to the community. Stop in to see the beautiful trophy awarded by the Library of Michigan Foundation and the Library of Michigan. Library Board Vice President Kim Deardorff and his wife, Friends of the Library Co-Chair, Dawn, accepted the award on behalf of the library at the MLA Awards Ceremony in Port Huron in October. Only two libraries in the State of Michigan received this recognition. Congratulations also goes out to the Leroy Public Library in Leroy, Michigan.



LAKEWOOD @ THE LIBRARY

504 Lakewood students visited our Library in October for a monster-themed program. Students made a monster craft, investigated the Library with a monster scavenger hunt, and listened to *Do Not Open This Book* written by Andy Lee.

The Library invites Lakewood Elementary classrooms every autumn and spring to visit and explore the Library.



NEW COMPUTERS

The Friends of the Library purchased two new touch screen computers for the children's area, bringing a total of four interactive and educational computers available for kids aged 2-12 years old. The computers are supplied with Magic Desktop, a safe environment full of games and learning experiences.

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WINTER LIBRARY EVENTS

Contact the Library to register

616.374.4591



DECEMBER

- 1st Christmas Crafts anytime between 3:30PM-5:30PM for ages 4-12 years
- 7th Tai Chi @ 1:00PM sponsored by Ionia County Commission on Aging, all skill levels welcome
- 8th Gingerbread House make and take @ 4:00PM for teens & tweens 9-18 years
- 9th Santa at the Library! Santa will visit with children after the Village Christmas parade
- 13th OpenBook Book Club @ 5:30PM, *Timberland Times* by Eugene Davenport
- 14th Tai Chi @ 1:00PM sponsored by Ionia County Commission on Aging, all skill levels welcome
- 15th Home-Based Education @ 1:00PM all students welcome
- 15th Inspired Readers Book Discussion @ 2:00PM, *Grace* by Shelley Shepard Gray
- 21st Family Christmas Storytime @ 10:30AM
- 21st Tai Chi @ 1:00PM sponsored by Ionia County Commission on Aging, all skill levels welcome
- 28th Family Magic Show @ 10:30AM, fun for all ages
- 28th Pizza & Pages Book Discussion @ noon, *Chronicles of Narnia* by CS Lewis, all ages welcome

JANUARY

- 5th Mini Battle of the Books @ 4:00PM for ages 5-12 years
- 10th OpenBook Book Club @ 5:30PM, *The Greatest Beer Run Ever* by John "Chick" Donohue
- 11th Family Feud Tween Style @ 4:00PM for ages 9-14 years
- 19th Home-Based Education @ 1:00PM all students welcome
- 26th Inspired Readers Book Discussion @ 2:00PM, *Stay with Me* by Becky Wade

FEBRUARY

- 2nd Hearts are Sew Much Fun @ 4:00PM for ages 5-12 years
- 9th Chocolate Fever @ 4:00PM for ages 9-14 years
- 14th OpenBook Book Club @ 5:30PM, *Five Presidents* by Clint Hill
- 16th Home-Based Education @ 1:00PM all students welcome
- 23rd Inspired Readers Book Discussion @ 2:00PM, *Riverbend Gap* by Denise Hunter



Puzzle Swap at the Library

Take a puzzle, leave a puzzle, no library card is required. Puzzles are located at the front entrance, in the wooden display case.

Covid Tests Available

Covid tests are available in the front entrance at no charge. Tests are provided by Michigan Health and Human Services.

Gifts to the Library

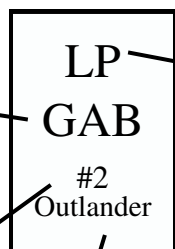
Books are available to purchase and give back to the library this Holiday. Each book is \$10. Nameplates will be printed inside the front cover in memory or in honor of your chosen loved one.

Check the Library's webpage and Facebook events for all the programs and news.

Understanding Spine Labels

Spine labels are very important in the library. Not only does a spine label dictate where to shelve an item, it directs a patron to the exact location in the library's 8,000 square feet of space.

First three or four letters of author's last name. In fiction, items are alphabetized by author's last name.



The first line of the spine label directs the patron to the area of the library where the book is located. This example shows **LP** for Large Print.

Other areas of the library include:

E....Easy Books, usually picture books

JE....Junior Easy, beginning chapter books or beginning readers

J....Junior, 1st & 2nd grade

TWEEN... 3rd, 4th, & 5th grade

YA....Young Adult

FIC...Fiction, usually hardcover

AF....Adult Fiction, paperbacks/softcover

WES....Western

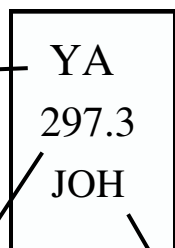
ROM...Romance

CD...Books on CD, older items are SL/CD for Spoken Language/Compact Disc

INSP...Inspirational

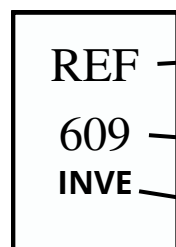
REF...Reference

Area within the library. If a non-fiction label is only a series of numbers at the top, it is the adult non-fiction section.



Subject matter according to Dewey Decimal System.

Author's last name.



This item would be found in the Library's reference section. This section is full of local history, state history, and all types of reference books.

The Dewey Decimal System places this in the medical technology category.

Because multiple authors have contributed to this book, the four letters, INVE refer to 'Inventions'.



A Brief History of Libraries and Funding

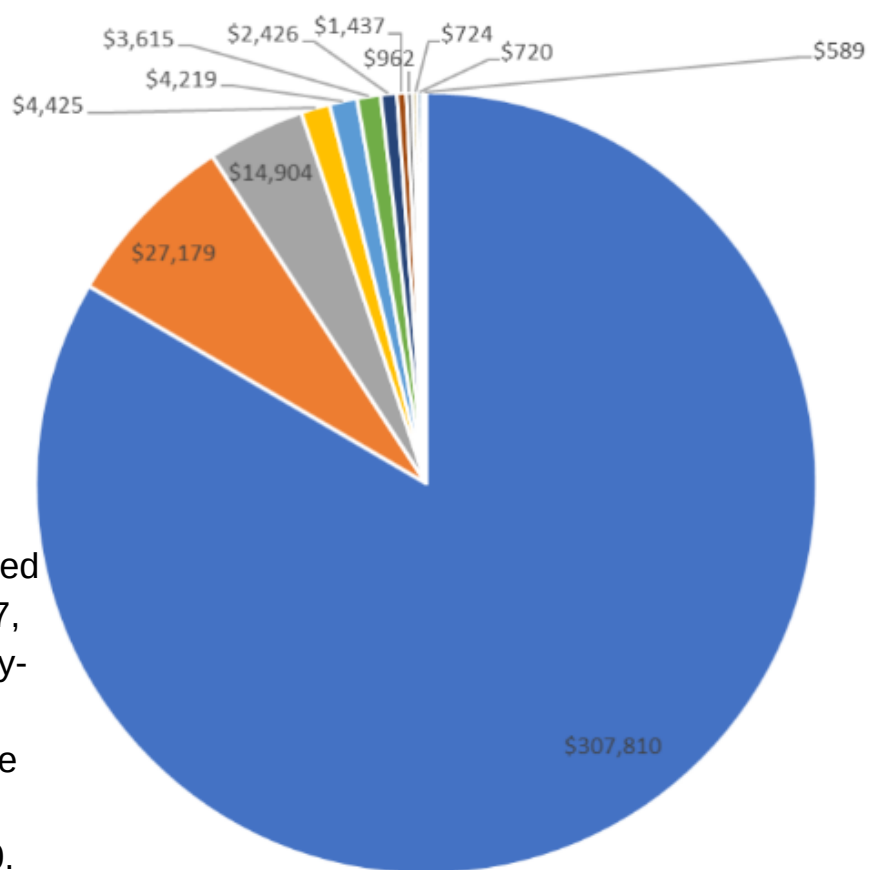
5 fundamental characteristics shared by public libraries:

- generally supported by taxes (usually local, though any level of government can and may contribute)
- governed by a board to serve the public interest
- open to all, and every community member can access the collection
- entirely voluntary in that no one is ever forced to use the services provided
- basic services are without charge

Odessa Township/Ionia County

Property Taxes	\$307,810
Penal Fines	\$27,179
Donations	\$14,904
Copies/Prints	\$4,425
Friends of the Library	\$4,219
State of Michigan	\$3,615
Book Sale	\$2,426
DVD Rentals	\$1,437
Interest	\$962
Faxes	\$724
Grants	\$720
Miscellaneous Revenue	\$589

Lake Odessa Community Library FY 21/22



The Lake Odessa Community Library opened its doors to the public on January 13, 1987, one year after the first meeting of the newly-formed library board. Some of the initial purchases for the library included an Apple Computer IIE, a printer, & software for \$2,131.98. The 1987 budget was \$15,000. Copies were 15¢ each and late fines were 10¢ a day. VHS tapes were \$1 rental for 1 night. The first librarian was paid \$4/hour and the first check for penal fines was \$11,654.82.

A town in Massachusetts named itself Franklin after the famous Bostonian, Benjamin Franklin. For this honor, Franklin donated 116 books to the town in lieu of a requested church bell. Franklin's town meeting voted to lend the books to all Franklin inhabitants free of charge in 1790, and this small collection can therefore be considered the first public library in the United States.

Recent Reads

Thoughtfully submitted by Anne-Marie Flannery
Contact the Library to join a book club 616.374.4591



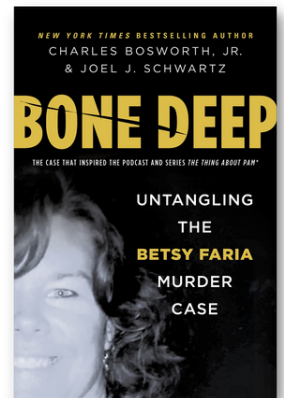
Tracy Flick Can't Win by Tom Perrotta

Tom Perrotta's well-received 1998 novel *Election* introduced us to Tracy Flick, an ambitious and not always likeable high school student running for student body president. Perrotta's latest book, *Tracy Flick Can't Win* is a follow-up to that story. Flick is now a single mother and assistant principal with her eye on the departing principal's job. Through a series of mishaps and power grabs, the reader follows as Flick tries desperately to secure the position. Although strains of her earlier single-minded determination still linger, Flick is a far more sympathetic character this time around. Flick has dealt with failed relationships, the difficulty of raising a daughter alone and the death of her beloved mother. That Perrotta can make Tracy Flick so much warmer and relatable in this latest novel speaks to his ability to convey that life catches up with all of us, no matter how well we plan.

The novel reads well as a stand-alone story, there is no need to read *Election* first.



Bone Deep: Untangling the Betsy Faria Murder by Charles Bosworth and Joel Schwartz is the real-life account of the murder of Missouri housewife Betsy Faria in 2011. Her husband, Russel Faria was charged and convicted of her murder although all evidence led to Betsy's friend, Pam Hupp. Co-author Schwartz was Russel Faria's defense attorney. Schwartz believed Hupp guilty from the beginning and expresses his disbelief at the level of incompetence and prejudice shown by the prosecuting attorney and police when charging Russel. It was only when Pam Hupp killed another individual trying to cover her tracks in the Faria murder, that her true role in Betsy's death came to light. More possible murders by Hupp are also uncovered. This book does a good job of outlining Hupp's motive for Betsy's murder, as well as how easily she manipulated authorities. *The Thing About Pam* was a television mini-series based on a podcast of the same case. It starred Renee Zellweger as Pam Hupp.



Stephanie Wrobel's newest release, ***This Might Hurt*** explores a number of themes, notably sibling relationships and the family ties that bind and sometimes, constrict. Natalie receives a threatening email about her sister, Kit. Missing for months, Natalie tracks Kit to an isolated island retreat where the people are less than helpful in her search. The longer Natalie stays on the island, the harder it is to find and then connect with Kit. Kit meanwhile has bonded with the island leader in a way that is troubling. The leader too has a past that threatens the retreat visitors and the sisters most of all. Natalie tries desperately to rescue Kit and get them both off the island, but the questions is, does Kit want to leave? Natalie must decide to what extent she will sacrifice for her sister and their relationship.

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

Library Hours

Tuesday 9:00AM-7:00PM
Wednesday 9:00AM-5:00PM
Thursday 9:00AM-7:00PM
Friday 9:00AM-5:00PM
Saturday 9:00AM-Noon
Closed Sunday & Monday

The Library will be closed
Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Eve,
Christmas Day, New Year's Eve,
and New Year's Day.

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