

**Belleville Area District Library Board
Regular Meeting Agenda
November 12, 2024 at 7:30 PM**

The Belleville Area District Library Board will meet in person in the library's 2nd floor Conference Room.

Agenda:

1. Pledge of Allegiance
2. Roll Call: Cichewicz, Fleming, Hughes-Grubbs, Juriga, Peters, Priest, Stoudemire
3. Approve Agenda
4. Approve October 8, 2024, Regular Meeting Minutes
5. Public Comments
6. Committee Reports
 - A. Building-Cichewicz
 - B. Bylaws-Juriga
 - C. Finance-Stoudemire
 - D. Marketing-Hughes-Grubbs
 - E. Personnel-Priest
 - F. Policy-Fleming
 - G. Art
7. Approve Accounts Payable
8. Director's Report/Comments/Communications
9. Trustee Comments
10. Chair Comments
11. Adjournment

Any citizen wishing to provide input or ask questions about any agenda item may speak during the meeting's Public Comments section or forward comments to the Library Director in advance by leaving a message at 734-699-3291 or via the Contact Information found at www.belleville.lib.mi.us. Any citizen requesting accommodation to attend this meeting may contact the library at least 24 hours prior to the meeting, using the above contact information.

Next Regular BADL Board Meeting: December 10, 2024, at 7:30 PM

**Belleville Area District Library
Meeting Minutes
October 8, 2024**

1. **Call to Order:** Chair Sharon Peters called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm.
2. **Roll Call:** The following board members were present: Joy Cichewicz, Dan Fleming, Alma Hughes-Grubbs, John Juriga, Sharon Peters, and Linda Priest. Absent and excused: Tanya Stoudemire. Also present: Library Director Mary Jo Suchy.
3. **Approve Agenda:**
Motion by Juriga, seconded by Priest, to approve the agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously.
4. **Approve September 10, 2024, Regular Meeting Minutes:** Motion by Cichewicz, seconded by Priest, to approve the July 9, 2024, minutes as presented. The motion carried unanimously.
5. **Public Comments:** None.
6. **Committee Reports**
 - A. **Building:** The committee will schedule a meeting prior to the next board meeting.
 - B. **Bylaws:** No report.
 - C. **Finance:** No report.
 - D. **Marketing:** The library is updating its welcome brochure.
 - E. **Personnel:** The committee met on September 27 for a final review of the personnel, parental leave, and telecommuting policies. The personnel policy is compliant with the Employee Sick Leave Act recently mandated by the Michigan Supreme Court. Motion by Juriga, seconded by Fleming to adopt the personnel, parental leave, and telecommuting policies as presented with implementation of the sick leave policy to take place no later than January 1, 2025. The motion carried unanimously.
 - F. **Policy:** No report.
 - G. **Art:** The library's next display will feature the BACA Art Show award winners.
7. **Approve Accounts Payable:** Motion by Cichewicz, seconded by Priest, to approve the accounts payable as presented. The motion carried unanimously. Juriga inquired about the library's investments. The library has opened two certificates of deposit.
8. **Director's Report:** See attached.
9. **Trustee Comments:**

Priest – Reminded everyone to vote. Announced that the League of Women Voters Election Guides are available at the library. There are two guides this year, one with the local races. Local election information is also available in The Independent.

Juriga – Is looking forward to the election being over.

Fleming – Continues to appreciate the library's website. The landing page is for the calendar is wonderful.

Cichewicz – Would be interested in seeing the library's state aid report statistics. Thanked the personnel committee, staff, and Mary Jo for creating an excellent personnel manual. She announced that she recently lost her mother, and that her library's reopening has been delayed until December.

Hughes-Grubbs – Reminded people to go out and vote. She thanked Linda for all of her work on the personnel committee.

10. Chair Comments:

Peters – The reality of the library is meeting and exceeding her vision of what the library can be. The programming is tremendous and the usage of 4th St. Place is an extra bonus. She is happy to be part of the activities in the community.

11. Adjournment:

Motion by Juriga, seconded by Priest, to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 8:38 pm.

Belleville Area District Library
Budgetary Comparison Schedule
General Fund
For the Three Months Ended September 30, 2024

<u>Account</u>		2024-2025 <u>Budget</u>	3 Month 2024-2025 <u>Budget</u>	3 Month <u>Actual</u>	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
	Professional Fees				
804.000	Audit	\$ 9,500	\$ 2,375	\$ -	\$ 2,375
805.000	Finance	13,500	3,375	3,075	300
801.001	Legal	7,000	1,750	539	1,211
801.002	Legal-Building Program	-	-	-	-
807.000	Architect	10,000	2,500	-	2,500
806.000	Other	10,000	2,500	475	2,025
	Total Professional Fees	50,000	12,500	4,089	8,411
815.000	Bank Fees	4,000	1,000	274	726
808.000	Dues	5,000	1,250	(42)	1,292
	Contracted Services				
809.001	Contracted Services	25,000	6,250	4,511	1,739
809.005	Delivery	6,000	1,500	-	1,500
720.000	Payroll	15,000	3,750	2,534	1,216
809.003&4	Automation System & Cataloging	41,000	10,250	9,504	746
809.007	Outside Maintenance	20,000	5,000	644	4,356
	Total Contracted Services	107,000	26,750	17,193	9,557
	Telephones & Telecommunications				
851.000	Telephone	15,000	3,750	1,403	2,347
851.002	Telecommunications	16,000	4,000	-	4,000
	Total Telephone and Telecommunications	31,000	7,750	1,403	6,347
	Insurance				
810.000	Liability Insurance				
811.000	Worker's Comp. Insurance				
	Total Insurance	38,000	9,500	10,101	(601)
	Utilities				
921.000	Heat				
922.000	Electrical				
923.000	Water and Sewer				
	Total Utilities	86,000	21,500	10,165	11,335
931.000	Repairs and Maintenance	90,000	22,500	23,972	(1,472)
	Printing and Publications				
901.002&5	Printing				
901.004	Publications- Newspapers				
	Total Printing & Publications	24,000	6,000	4,475	1,525
727.002&3	Postage	12,000	3,000	2,657	343
820.000	Computer Hardware/ Software				
982.000	Computer Repair & Maintenance				
982.000	Hardware and Software	80,000	20,000	3,071	16,929

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<u>Account</u>	<u>Revenues</u>	2024-2025 <u>Budget</u>	3 Month 2024-2025 <u>Budget</u>	3 Month <u>Actual</u>	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
403.000	Current Taxes less chg backs	\$ 2,600,000	\$ 650,000	\$ 650,000 *	\$ -
	Total Current Taxes	2,600,000	650,000	650,000	-
502.000	Grant Revenue	6,300	1,575	-	(1,575)
665.000	Interest Income	20,000	5,000	471	(4,529)
575.000	State Aid	43,000	10,750	22,774	12,024
	Library Fines and Fees				
659.000	Late Fees	500	125	890	765
658.000	Penal Fines	36,000	9,000	-	(9,000)
677.000	Lost Book Fees	1,700	425	1,295	870
	Total Fines and Fees	38,200	9,550	2,185	(7,365)
674.000	Contributions and Donations	2,500	625	839	214
674.002	Contributions New Library	-	-	-	-
	Miscellaneous Income				
680.000	Miscellaneous				
630.000	Copies				
631.000	Fax Fees				
647.000	Newspaper Sales				
	Total Miscellaneous	24,000	6,000	8,397	2,397
	Grand Total Revenues	\$ 2,734,000	\$ 683,500	\$ 684,666	\$ 1,166
	<u>Expenditures</u>				
	Salaries				
702.000	Salary- Librarians				
705.000	Salary- Library Aides				
	Total Salaries	\$ 1,218,000	\$ 304,500	\$ 265,946	\$ 38,554
	Benefits and FICA				
715.000	FICA/ Medicare	93,177	23,294	20,345	2,949
716.000	Employee Health Insurance	240,000	60,000	57,242	2,758
718.000	Retirement (MERS)	81,000	20,250	21,073	(823)
	Total Benefits and FICA	414,177	103,544	98,660	4,884
981.000	Books and Acquisitions	275,000	68,750	39,136	29,614
809.002	Contracted Services-Acq.	23,000	5,750	4,725	1,025
	Supplies				
730.000	Office Supplies				
775.000	Supplies- Maintenance				
950.001	Library Programs Supplies				
	Total Supplies	55,000	13,750	9,676	4,074

* Actual taxes collected to date \$9,792.67

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Miscellaneous				
863.000 Travel and Meetings	\$ 8,000	\$ 2,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000
950.001 Miscellaneous (Programming)	18,000	4,500	2,762	1,738
983.001 New Equip/ Office Furniture	25,000	6,250	3,498	2,752
Other	4,000	1,000	78	922
Total Miscellaneous	<u>55,000</u>	<u>13,750</u>	<u>7,338</u>	<u>6,412</u>
Total Expenditures	<u>\$ 2,567,177</u>	<u>\$ 641,794</u>	<u>\$ 502,839</u>	<u>\$ 138,955</u>
Current Year	<u>\$ 166,823</u>	<u>\$ 41,706</u>	<u>\$ 181,827</u>	<u>\$ 140,121</u>

Belleville Area District Library

Date: 11/04/2024

Time: 3:45 PM

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Operating:

Check Date	Vendor Name	Check Description	Amount
10/15/2024	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	Books and supplies	521.65
10/15/2024	APPLIED INNOVATION	Copier/Printer Usage	637.19
10/15/2024	BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD OF MICH	Dental	1,013.20
10/15/2024	CITY OF BELLEVILLE	Water & Sewage	86.01
10/15/2024	DC LAWN & SNOW	Lawn Service Sept.	224.00
10/15/2024	DTE ENERGY	Sumpter Gas/Electric	176.95
10/15/2024	FOSTER, SWIFT, COLLINS & SMITH	Legal Services	514.50
10/15/2024	GA BUSINESS PURCHASER LLC	Alarm Service Sumpter	56.96
10/15/2024	JOHNSTON ENTERPRISES, LLC	Signs	72.00
10/15/2024	LONG MECHANICAL SERVICE	Preventative Maintenance	1,144.00
10/15/2024	O'NEAL CONSTRUCTION, INC	Flagpole Repair	4,964.06
10/15/2024	ODP BUSINESS SOLUTIONS LLC	Bldg & Office Supplies	751.71
10/15/2024	SHARON DUCKWORTH, CPA	Accounting Services Oct	1,025.00
10/15/2024	THE LIBRARY NETWORK	Telcom, Tech., Sh. Automation, Acq, Delivery	22,937.41
10/15/2024	UNIFIRST CORP	Maintenance/Mats	157.57
10/15/2024	UNIQUE MANAGEMENT SERVICES INC	Sept Placements	97.20
10/15/2024	WASTE MANAGEMENT OF MI, INC	Dumpster Service Sept.	439.41
10/29/2024	ABOS	Membership Renewal	49.00
10/29/2024	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	Books & Materials; supplies	516.55
10/29/2024	AMERICAN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION	Dues Lindsay Lore	76.00
10/29/2024	CLEAR RATE COMMUNICATIONS	Fax Service	298.78
10/29/2024	DTE ENERGY	Gas 4th Street	590.48
10/29/2024	FISH WINDOW CLEANING	Interior/Exterior Window Washing	3,114.00
10/29/2024	FRIENDS OF THE BELLEVILLE AREA	Sept Payout	804.50
10/29/2024	JENNIFER RICHARDSON	ABOS Conference Exp	876.49
10/29/2024	NAKENYA LEWIS YARBROUGH	ALA Conference Expenses	2,187.52
10/29/2024	OMNI TECH SPACES	Replacement Tabletop and Labor	481.60
10/29/2024	OVERDRIVE, INC	eContent Purchases	3,000.00
10/29/2024	PIONEER LANDSCAPING AND LAWN	September Weeding	280.00
10/29/2024	PRESTO PEST MANAGEMENT, INC	Pest Inspection	700.00
10/29/2024	SUMPTER TOWNSHIP	Water Sumpter Branch	111.45
10/29/2024	TELSYSTEMS	Large Screen HD Monitors	4,998.00
10/29/2024	THE LIBRARY NETWORK	Telephone. Books, Supplies	11,427.25
10/29/2024	UNITED HEALTHCARE	Healthcare	16,580.35
10/29/2024	WYANDOTTE ALARM COMPANY	Commercial Fire Monitoring	462.00
10/29/2024	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	Books and supplies	1,225.44
10/30/2024	T-MOBILE	23 Mobile Lines (Hotspots)	7,921.20

37	Checks Total:	90,519.43
37	Bank Total:	90,519.43
37	Grand Total:	90,519.43

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Sent: Wednesday, October 23, 2024 10:23:18 AM

Subject: Wayne County Libraries and Penal Fines

Hello!

First, Clare and I would like to thank each of you for your patience as we untangled the Wayne County Penal Fine situation.

We know that this situation has been stressful and frustrating, and we very much appreciate each of you giving us the time we need to properly investigate and address the issues.

We are towards the end of this project and the purpose of this e-mail is to provide information on where the situation stands and the plan for moving forward.

Clare and I have been considering and handling this project in 3 parts:

- Determining the Issue and what was happening in Wayne County with regards to penal fine payments.
- Correcting Wayne County's penal fine processes and ensuring that the 2024 penal fines were calculated and paid correctly
- Determining the exact amounts of over and under payments received by libraries in the years during which the penal fines were miscalculated by Wayne County and creating a system for repayment and reimbursement so that every library is (at the end of the project) situated as they should always have been with regards to penal fines.

We have currently completed steps 1 & 2 above.

Issue 1 – What Happened?

Wayne County has been receiving penal fines in two parts from the courts:

- Criminal fines (These are fines from infractions of the Michigan Criminal ("Penal") Code.
- "Motor Vehicle" Fines (These are fines from Traffic infractions which come from the civil courts (These used to be penal fines until the traffic code was removed from the Criminal code- However, the legislature provided that public libraries would still receive these – for purposes of Penal Fine payments, LM considers traffic (or "motor vehicle") fines to be part of "penal fines").

Normally, penal fines for purposes of the payments to public libraries include BOTH criminal fines AND Traffic fines. The combined amount received by the county is divided by the total county population to obtain a per-capita amount. This per-capita amount is then multiplied by the service populations of each library and each unserved area to obtain the amount of penal fines that are then paid to each library. LM each year supplies the county treasurers with

instructions and population amounts to enable them to calculate the per capita and the individual payment amounts once they receive the money from the courts.

However, Wayne County was mis-calculating penal fines. After the loss of the staff person who had been handling penal fine distribution, Wayne County substitute staff (not always the same staff person, and without instruction or institutional history) were provided a pre-set spreadsheet with a set per-capita amount to calculate penal fines. Wayne County was not calculating a new per capita each year as they should have been. Then, instead of adding the total amount of traffic ("motor vehicle") fines to the total amount of the criminal fines received from the criminal court ("penal fines") and THEN calculating an amount to be received by each library, they would use this preset per capita to distribute **only** the fines received from the criminal court (the fines they labeled "penal fines."). The traffic fines ("motor vehicle fines") received from the civil courts were then distributed **ONLY** to the libraries located in the municipalities where the courts paying these civil fines were located. The result was that libraries located in the municipalities where the civil courts are located generally received more than they should have, and libraries located in the other municipalities generally received less because they were not receiving their share of the traffic fines.

It should be noted that in our investigation, neither Joe nor I found any evidence of intentional wrongdoing or theft by Wayne County. There are no missing funds – only miscalculations and incorrect allocations. The lack of assigned staff and the lack of communication of internal processes combined with staff shortages appear to be the underlying causes of this situation.

Issue 2- Calculating and Distributing Correct 2024 Penal Fines

Because the investigation into this situation occurred just as the 2024 penal fine payments were due, we decided to pay the 2024 amounts using the correct calculations and **NOT** the calculations Wayne County had been using.

I worked with our Wayne County partner to explain the correct process for calculating penal fines and based on the 2024 COMBINED amount of Criminal AND Traffic fines received from all courts, AND using the current population numbers, calculated the correct amounts of penal fines to be received by all Wayne County public libraries.

Attached is a spreadsheet showing the amounts paid to each library for 2024 using the correct calculations and combining the criminal and traffic fine funds so that every library receives its fair share.

As indicated in the letters previously sent to each of you prior to the 2024 penal fine distribution, for many of you these amounts represent higher or lower amounts than you have been used to receiving. In some cases (as we mentioned in those letters) the differences are very large. This is because of the misallocation of the traffic fines.

After the 2024 calculations were done, but before all the amounts could be distributed, Wayne County was hit by a Ransomware Cyber Attack. This delayed the penal fine payments until the past week.

Issue 3- Determining totals of Over and Under Payments and a Proposal for a Repayment and Restitution Solution.

Now that the 2024 penal fines have been correctly calculated and paid, the next step is to determine how best to repay the libraries which were underpaid during the time Wayne County miscalculated and distributed the penal fines. This is a process which is currently underway. Our Wayne County partner and I have almost completed the list of over and under paid amounts per library.

The next step:

Clare and I have a proposed solution for the overpayment/underpayment situation and in order to comply with MDE and LM requirements, Clare and I are meeting with Michelle and Randy in the next week to review our proposal.

Once we have approval by Randy & Michelle, Clare and I will meet with Anne Seurnyck, Steven Bowers and Jo Anne Mondowney (or her designee) to get their input.

Then, Clare and Michelle and I will schedule a Zoom meeting with all Wayne County libraries, the two cooperative directors, and Anne Seurnyck to explain the final proposal (including options available to the affected libraries), determine a timeline for the resolution of this matter, and answer any questions libraries may have.

If all goes according to plan, Clare and I expect to have that Zoom meeting in mid-November. After this meeting, Clare and I will continue to be available to meet with individual libraries and boards to address any questions.

Thank you for your continued patience. Please reach out to Clare (membielac@michigan.gov) or me (hamlinj2@michigan.gov) with any questions.

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DIRECTOR'S REPORT

November 2024

LIBRARY PROGRAMS

October: Adults: 14 Youth: 16

LIBRARY VISITS	2024/25	2023/24	% change
October	14,341	13,656	5.02%
Fiscal Year	50,386	48,630	3.61%

TOTAL CIRC	2024/25	2023/24	% change
October	20,560	20,983	-2.02%
Fiscal Year	86,815	88,202	-1.57%

ADULT PROGRAMMING	2024/25	2023/24	% change
October	190	193	-1.55%
Fiscal Year	681	409	66.50%

YOUTH/TEEN PROGRAMMING	2024/25	2023/24	% change
October	331	318	4.09%
Fiscal Year	1,565	1,571	-0.38%

ALL AGES PROGRAMMING: Oct.: 900 Fiscal Year: 900

REF. QUESTIONS	2024/25	2023/24	% change
October	1,733	1,722	0.64%
Fiscal Year	6,877	6,662	3.23%

INTERNET USE	2024/25	2023/24	% change
October	1,014	1,069	-5.14%
Fiscal Year	4,186	4,457	-6.08%

YOUTH/TEEN INTERNET	2024/25	2023/24	% change
October	337	362	-6.91%
Fiscal Year	1,135	1,220	-6.97%

BUILDING: Fixtures in the colored up-lighting in the children's room need to be replaced. The units have been ordered and will be replaced soon.

PENAL FINES: The library finally received its 2024 penal fine payment from Wayne County in the amount of \$39,198. See the attached memo from the Library of Michigan regarding the status of prior years.

STAFF: Outgoing staff: Library monitor Torrea Williams.

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY: The Friends just finished their fall book sale and are gearing up to sell the library's honey once it arrives. At their October meeting the Friends voted to fund the training for our adult literacy volunteers as well as pick up the tab for refreshments and supplies for the library's Memory Café.

PROGRAMMING: The next classic movie night will be on Thursday, December 5 at 6:30 pm and features Clint Eastwood in *Coogan's Bluff*. This is the final movie in our Fall series, Detecting by the Decades. A big thank you to the Friends and the Belleville Area Council for the Arts for sponsoring this program.

Due to the Thanksgiving holiday, two of our book groups are joining together to form a Super Book Group on Thursday, November 21 at 7 pm. *The Heaven and Earth Grocery Store* by James McBride is the featured book and refreshments will be provided.

November is Dinovember at the library! Nikki found our dinosaur costume from a few year's ago and became Nikkisaurus-rex! Youth services librarian Karen has designed several programs and dinosaur activities for the month.



Speaking of Nikki, she is also hosting our Michigan History Trivia Night on Wednesday, November 13 from 5-7 pm. Michigan made snacks will be on hand.

The Upside to Asides | American Libraries Magazine

Becky Lomax



I will never forget the surprised look on one mom's face during storytime when I dropped a tip—technically called an *aside*—about how rhyming helps babies differentiate sounds and prepares them for reading. “You mean that all this singing will help her in school?” she asked. “I thought we were just doing this for fun!”

Early literacy activities are certainly fun—but also valuable. For parents and caregivers who are already reading, writing, talking, singing, and playing with their children, offering tips might seem superfluous. But many aren't aware that simple, everyday activities—such as listing different food items in the grocery store—can benefit their child's early language and literacy development and have a lasting positive impact on their learning.

As children's librarians, we are uniquely positioned to pass on early literacy tips during our programs. Here are some pointers for devising and deploying these tips during storytimes and other interactions in the library to encourage and empower caregivers.

Don't overthink it. Early literacy tips don't need to be overly scientific or even very detailed. They just need to be friendly and sincere. For example, you don't have to educate caregivers about how a child's finger muscles develop through grasping. But you could mention that materials like Play-Doh, finger paints, and crayons—besides being enjoyable—develop children's fine-motor skills and help little hands get ready for writing later on.

Be positive. Our tips should be upbeat and absent of pressure and judgment. Their aim is to help a new caregiver feel confident in encouraging language and literacy growth. When talking about a book you're reading in storytime, for instance, you might point out that children often relate to stories that reflect their daily lives and routines. Being able to relate on a personal level to what happens in stories, such as a character brushing their teeth or taking a bath, helps kids maintain energy and enthusiasm throughout the sometimes long and slow process of learning to read.

Early literacy tips do not need to be overly scientific or even very detailed. They just need to be friendly and sincere.

Be yourself. Don't prepare a recitation that doesn't sound the way you usually speak. Your early literacy tips should be conversational and focused on the wonders of early literacy and how children learn rather than delivered as speeches. You can alter or adapt your tips depending on the situation and your audience.

Build on the interesting or exciting. Pay attention to what the children in your storytimes are doing and what they respond to. You can connect those interests to early literacy. You might tell caregivers, "I am impressed with how many new words your kids are saying! Isn't it great how the books we read encourage new vocabulary? What a bonus that kids with big vocabularies usually have an easier time learning to read."

Inspire rather than dictate. Caregivers gain confidence when they receive validation that what they're doing is valuable for their child. By contrast, unsolicited advice might make them feel like they're doing something wrong. If you have a parent or caregiver in front of you at a library, they have already done something praiseworthy. Let them know it is great they came in. Encourage them to keep discovering your library's offerings—and show them some. You might direct caregivers to read-alike books that encourage play or steer them toward materials that let them engage with their child in their home language. Or simply let them know, "There are so many things to explore here! I hope you have fun and keep coming back."

No one is born knowing how to read, nor is anyone born knowing how to support their child's early literacy and rich language experiences. As children's librarians, we can make storytime an uplifting place for kids and caregivers to learn together.

Adapted from "Why and How to Offer Supportive Early Literacy Tips" (ALSC Blog, June 16).



HISTORY Trivia Night

MICHIGAN
EDITION

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2024

5PM - 7 PM

COZADD ROOM



REGISTER TODAY TO GET IN
ON THE TRIVIA FUN.

JOIN HOSTESS WITH THE MOSTESS, NIKKI PICKERL FOR A HISTORY TRIVIA NIGHT!

ENJOY TRIVIA QUESTIONS ALL ABOUT OUR MITTEN STATE!

1ST & 2ND PLACE PRIZES!



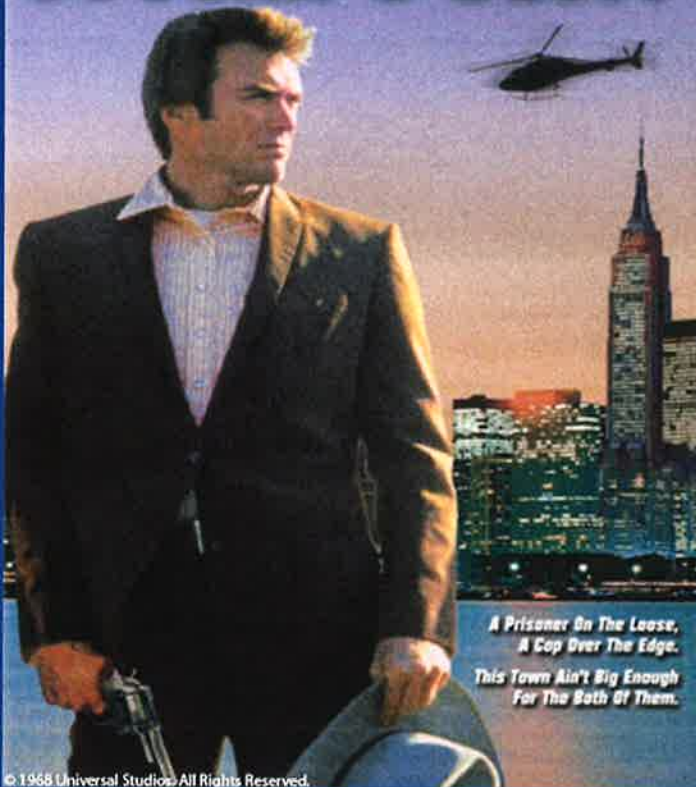
**PLUS MICHIGAN
MADE SNACKS!**



Classic Movies Series



CLINT EASTWOOD
COOGAN'S BLUFF



**Thursday,
December 5
@ 6:30 at the
Belleville Area
District Library**

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Area District Library and
the Belleville Area Council
for the Arts**

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**BELLEVILLE AREA
DISTRICT LIBRARY**



DINO-VE-MBER

What The Library Dinos Did Last Night

Follow us on Facebook to see what mischief the dinosaurs are getting up to this Dino-vember.

Dino Storytime

Friday, Nov 8th @ 11 am
Stomp, romp, and roar your way to this special dinosaur storytime!

Tea Rex T-Party

Saturday, Nov 16 @ 11 am
Ages 5-9

T-Rex cordially invites you to morning tea. We will have a story, learn tea time etiquette, enjoy tea and light snacks, and crafts. For extra fun, come in your favorite tea time dress-up or dinosaur clothes.

Registration Required: Please let us know if you plan to attend. Seating is limited. When registering, please count each child and adult who wishes to partake in the festivities.

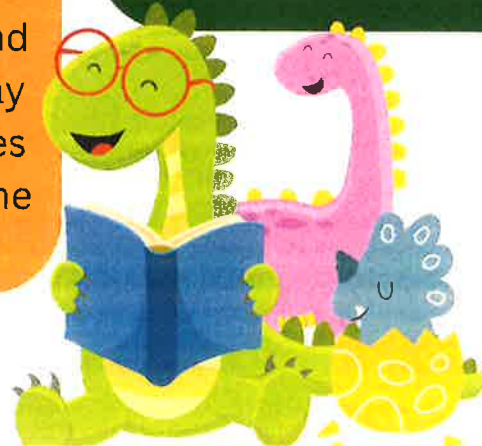
Vote for Your Favorite Dinosaur!

All November in the Kids Hub
Ages 1-11

The dinosaur with the most votes wins favorite dinosaur of the Belleville Area District Library! From that jar, we will pick a vote at random, and the winning kid will get a special prize. Kids may only vote once. More than one vote disqualifies you from the prize. Winner will be notified in the first week of December.

Don't forget to check out these fun things all month long in the Kids Hub!

- Dinosaur books!
- How big is a triceratops foot?
- Dino-Scavenger Hunt
- Coloring and activity pages





CHESS MASTERS

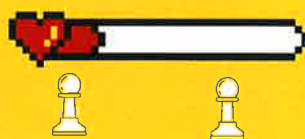


Are you interested in testing your abilities and discovering new capabilities? Then Belleville Library Chess Masters is perfect for you! Located in the Story-Time Room, we meet every Tuesday from 4 PM to 5 PM. Anyone ages 6-12 and their guardians are welcome!

WHERE: STORY-TIME ROOM

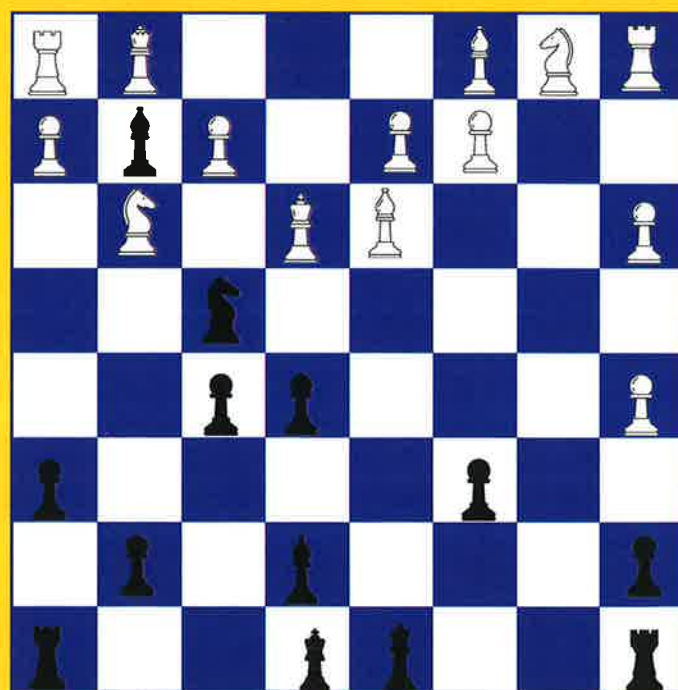
WHEN: TUESDAYS 4-5PM

Player 1



 **CHESS BOARDS
PROVIDED!**

Player 2



LITERACY IMPROVES LIVES

VOLUNTEER TUTORS NEEDED



Tutors MUST

- Be 18 years or older
- Be able to complete 18 hours of training, provided by the Washtenaw Literacy Council in coordination with the Belleville Area District Library.
- Be able to commit to 2 hours per week for 6 months

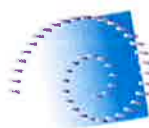


INTERESTED?

SCAN to fill out our form, and Jennifer Richardson, BADL Outreach Librarian, will be in touch!



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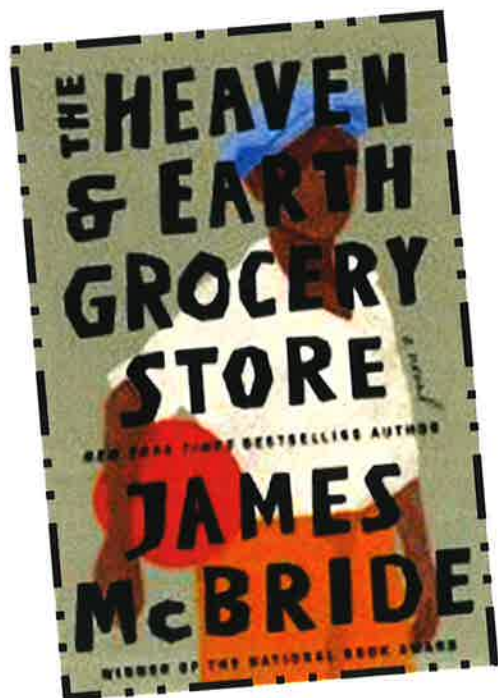
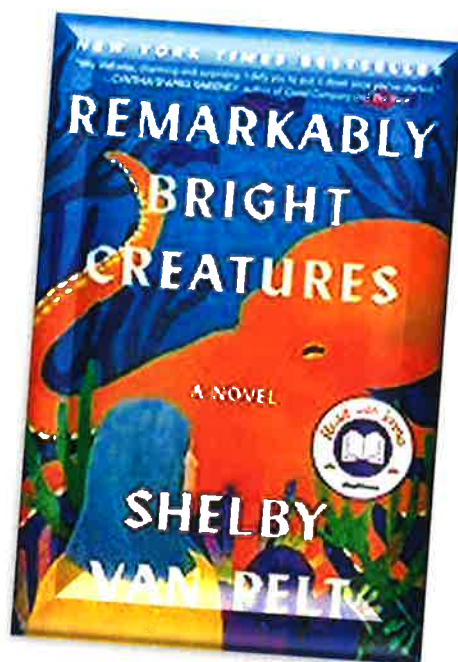
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BOOK GROUP MEETINGS

THE EVENING BOOK GROUP

Thursday, Nov. 7, 7 pm



SUPER BOOK GROUP!

**The Other Book Group and
The African American Literature
Book Group** join forces for
this special event. Refreshments
will be provided!

**Nov. 21, 7 pm in the library's
Cozadd Room**