LAKELAND NEWSLETTER

WHAT'S INSIDE

HELLO FALL, AND HELLO MONTHLY NEWSLETTERS!

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Welcome back and Happy October everyone! We hope back-to-school season went smoothly for you all. It's a new fiscal year here at Lakeland and with the new year comes new goals - one of which is to communicate and connect more with our members. That means we're happy to announce that this newsletter will now be monthly! More good news, more program ideas, and more missives from our staff here at Lakeland - so keep your eyes peeled for more!

LAKELAND LIBRARY COOPERATIVE

PROGRAM NEWS

MUSKEGON AREA DISTRICT LIBRARY

On September 24th, the Muskegon Area District Library's Norton Shores Branch hosted Humans of Muskegon: LIVE, a living library program in which "Readers" (patrons) engaged in one-on-one conversations with Muskegon County residents who served as "Open Books", sharing their stories about what it means to be them in the community and how they defy stereotypes. Featured, were lesser told stories from people who have experienced prejudice or discrimination because of who they are, based on their lifestyle, a diagnosis, disability, belief, gender, language, ethnic or racial origin, or occupation. The "Open Books" selected titles for their stories that ranged from "Living with Blindness", "Long COVID", "Racism", "First Generation Hispanic Family", "Finding Sobriety and Discovering Myself", "Tattooed Biker Librarian", "Suicide Attempt Survivor", and more.

Earlier this summer, the "Books" were interviewed by retired and decorated Muskegon Chronicle journalist Susan Harrison Wolffis. Recordings of these interviews were made available on MADL's website (madl.org/humansofmuskegon) and at Listening Stations, which toured MADL's 10 branches.

SPARTA CARNEGIE TOWNSHIP LIBRARY

Sparta Carnegie Township Library celebrated the coming of Fall by entering our town's Hay Bale Contest. We did an apple with a bookworm and was located in front of our library.
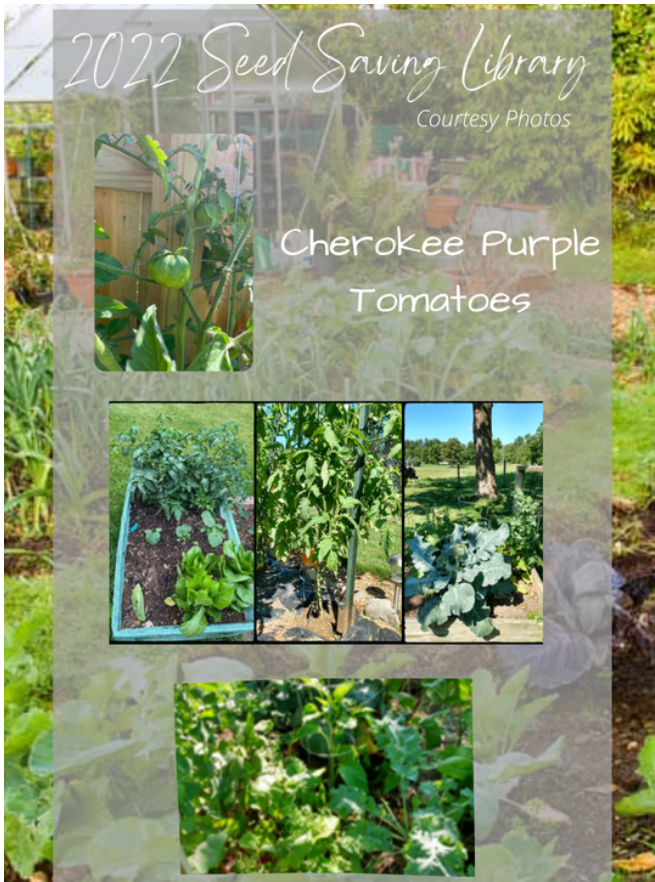
(From Amber: So cute! Who else is feeling like a librarian form the Black Lagoon after the last few years? I know I am.)

PROGRAM NEWS

CEDAR SPRINGS PUBLIC LIBRARY

The Cedar Springs Public Library recently concluded their first ever Seed Saving Library! Patrons were able to select seeds from a large variety of choices, ranging from vegetables and fruits to herbs and flowers. The Cedar Springs Public Library also provided a binder of information that connected patrons with seed saving guidance, educational resources on harvesting and materials that promoted a sustainable food system. The Cedar Springs Public Library received several high remarks from patrons about their Seed Saving Library and are looking forwarding to another successful program next season!

FREEPORT DISTRICT LIBRARY

New this Fall at the Freeport District Library, a program designed for children ages 5 and up called "Kids Create!". This program will be held during the hour that younger siblings are in Preschool Storytime. It will include a variety of fun and challenging creative opportunities. They will make an Owl pinata while learning facts about owls. They will use Legos to build a famous Landmark building while learning about architecture. They will learn Georges Seurat's pointillism method, and put it into practice by painting a Fall leaf. Finally, they will make a kaleidoscope to learn about symmetry and reflection of light. Because a number of our homeschool families still have kids in preschool storytime, we wanted to offer an age appropriate learning opportunity to the older children.

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BIBLIOCORE AND MANAGING BORROWING HISTORY

Borrowing history in Biblicore is a function of Sierra and its My Account feature called Reading History. Bibliocore only pulls in what is in the patron's Reading History in Sierra. Patrons still need to opt in for that history to be retained on the Sierra servers. Account settings in the Bibliocore account settings for Borrowing History can send a message to Sierra that they wish to enable (opt in) or disable (opt out) this feature. If the patron has the setting enabled, changing the setting to disable Borrowing History in Bibliocore will also opt out and delete all of the accumulated history from the Sierra database and stop any further additions to it. If the patron decides re-enable it, the items that were previously in the Reading History will not be added back in. New items will be added beginning with the next items that are checked out by the patron. When patrons have this enabled, items are added to the history at the time they are checked out.

We highly recommend that patrons move their Borrowing History items to their Completed Shelf in Bibliocore where it can be sorted, and titles added and removed. Users with more than 100 items in their Borrowing History are not given the option to sort or delete items from this history. If users take the time to move history titles to their completed shelves, they have the option to sort, search and print. In addition, Bibliocore will indicate whether titles are already on their completed shelf when they are searching the catalog. This is a big help for patrons who don't want to request titles they have already had.

Some patrons want to completely remove items from their Borrowing History. This is not possible in Bibliocore. Users will have to log into their account on Lakenet: https://sam.llcoop.org/patroninfo using their barcode and PIN. Choose the Reading History link there and remove titles as needed. There are two delete options, Delete All button will delete the entire Reading History, Delete Marked button will delete only those items that the patron has selected/marked.Once items are deleted, there is NO WAY to recover them. If patrons opt out of Reading History, all history is deleted and, again cannot be recovered should they choose to opt back in. There is also an Export option here for patrons who wish to export the history. Reading History is not accessible through the Sierra Desktop Application used by staff.

UPCOMING EVENTS

LIBRARY OF MICHIGAN - TRUSTEE ROUNDTABLES

The Library of Michigan will be holding three in-person Trustee Roundtables this fall.

October 13, 2022, 1:00pm-3:30pm – Herrick District Library North Branch, Holland for more information or to register, visit the **Event Registration Page**.

October 26, 2022, 1:00pm-3:30pm – Library of Michigan, Lansing for more information or to register, visit the **Event Registration Page**.

November 16, 2022, 1:00pm-3:30pm – Rawson Memorial Library, Cass City for more information or to register, visit the **Event Registration Page**.

These free events provide an opportunity for public library trustees to meet with other trustees from around the state and discuss issues facing Michigan public libraries. Participants will also learn about resources available from the Library of Michigan. We hope to see many of you at the two locations in July. If you are unable to attend this summer look out for an announcement for a similar event to be held virtually in the late fall. Bring your questions and your best advice!

You can find all the Library of Michigan training opportunities on the LM CE page, **www.michigan.gov/libraryce**

Let us know if you have questions about the events by email us at **LM-LibTraining@michgan.gov**.

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