

Newsletter

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Hours:

Sunday: Closed Monday: Closed Tuesday: 9 - 6 Wednesday: 12 - 8 Thursday: 12 - 8 Friday: 9 - 6 Saturday: 9 - 2

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THE VALUE OF LIBRARIES



It's interesting that recent studies have shown most
Americans find that a

library in their community is a real asset, even if they seldom use it themselves. Realtors often point out the local library as a selling point for a community. Of course as a librarian I feel the same, and each day I see how the library makes a positive impact on someone's life.

So often when patrons need assistance they begin by saying, "I'm sorry to bother you, but." Believe me, it is never a bother! Don't stop asking! The staff and I look forward to those interactions. It gives us a chance to highlight what we have to offer both in print as well as electronic resources or to get the word out on a class or program that might be of interest to the person with the question. Working directly with our patrons is the most satisfying part of what we do. I'm sure we have supplied information, entertainment or just a willing ear to someone for whom that was a transformative experience without our even being aware.

We come to you now to help us document the impact the library has had on the lives of individuals in the community. Have you found a job as a result of a resume workshop or access to a computer to submit applications and resumes? Has your child used library resources to support their school performance? Maybe you have used the library for online classes or test proctoring. Or perhaps home delivery service has made it possible to continue to

see films or read your favorite authors even when you couldn't leave the house.

All these stories are important to us. First they let us know what is working and what services matter most to the community. Secondly they are an important resource when we approach large donors as we are currently for our building fund or when we submit grant requests. Your stories have much more impact than just statistics; they bring a real human face to the value of our community library. Our aim is to collect these stories in print, video and a poster campaign much like the "Geek the Library" campaign we mounted a few years ago. We hope to use these stories in the library, on social media and in presentations to garner support. So as we move to a new year please consider sharing your story with us.

Feel free to stop in or contact the library director, Kate Scheid, anytime to share your library story: phone 269-695-1911, or email k.scheid@buchananlibrary.com.



(Super) GirlZ Night Out! Saturday, January 24th 3-4pm

GirlZ grades K-4th
with adult
supervision: games,
crafts, and prizes
await for you to
come and have an
afternoon of
superhero fun at
the library!





Kids preschool through
5th grade can enter to
win a book and plush
toy every time they
check out a book!
January's giveaway is
Dumbo; February's is
101 Dalmatians.



Preschool Story Time

Tuesdays @ 10:30 am in the KidZ Korner





New Teen Book Club

Come join the discussions!



Eleanor & Park by Rainbow Rowell January 21st

The Book Thief by Marcus Zusak February 18th



3-4 pm at the library!

Save the Date!

Watch for details on these upcoming events!

BoyZ Night OutMarch 14th









Spring Break FunFirst week of April





Money Smart Kids April 22th





JACK KNIGHT CAFÉ

Thursdays 3:00-4:00pm

Come play Wii, make a

game or just chill!





Peyton won November's Little Sister giveaway!



Barnaby won December's Little Critter giveaway!

Buchanan Book Club



January 7 We Are All Completely Beside Ourselves By: Karen Joy Fowler

February 4 The New Jim Crow By: Michelle Alexander





March 4 The Wind is Not a River By: Brian Payton

1st Wednesday of the month 6:30-8pm at the library

Library Board Meetings

Library Board Meetings are open meetings to which the public is welcome.

Thursday, January 15th Thursday, February 19th Thursday, March 19th @ 6:30pm

AS FEBRUARY IS LOVE YOUR LIBRARY MONTH

Show your love for your library!

Donate to the Building Fund and receive these great gifts:



\$1.00 donationbutton or bracelet





\$10.00 donationmug or tee-shirt



\$35 for a 12x18in print of our historic Buchanan map or \$200+ for a leaf on our donor tree.

You can also participate in upcoming fundraisers or drop your change in our Libraries make cent\$ jar.

Every bit helps to

OPEN Doors OPEN Books OPEN Minds

Save the Date!

Watch for more details on these upcoming events!

Buchanan Chili Walk



March 19th **Senior Day**

April 11th

Hands-on Device **Training**



free e-books from OverDrive.

Wednesday 6-7pm January 14th, February 11th

Ask a Tech Question!

Need a little help?



here to answer YOUR questions!

Thursday, Jan. 22, 12:30-1:30 pm, or call to make an appointment.



MeLCat **Turns 10!**

Michigan's Interlibrary Loan service, MeLCat (which stands for

Michigan e-Library Catalog) turns 10 years old this month! Since January 2005, MeLCat has:

- Grown from 12 libraries to over 400
- Filled over 7 million requests for Michigan residents
- Built a database with over 47 million items
- And facilitated close to 60,000 visiting patron loans!

This past year, our patrons have checked out 1,389 items from other Michigan libraries, and our library has loaned out 780 items!

Want to request something our library is missing? MeLCat is easy to use; all you need is your library card! Go to mel.org/melcat and request up to 5 items at a time. The items will be sent to our library for you to check out. If you need help requesting items, please call or ask at the front desk.



Adult Craft

Classes are at 10:30am & 1pm. Stop by front desk for more info and to register.

> January 16th **Clothbound Notepads**

> February 20th Felted Wool Mug Rug

March 20th Silk Flower Fairies

January 2015

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	Plappy	New Year!	*	1 Library Closed	2	3
4	5	6	7 Book Club 6:30	8	9	10
11	12	13 Story Time 10:30	14 E-reader Device Training 6-7	JKC 3-4 Board Meeting 6:30	16 Adult Craft Class 10:30 & 1	17
18	19	Story Time 10:30	21 Teen Book Club 3-4	Tech Q's 12:30-1:30 JKC 3-4	23	GirlZ Night Out 3-4
25	26	Story Time 10:30	28	JKC 3-4	30	31

February 2015

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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