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Clinton-Macomb Public offers online events

The Clinton-Macomb Public Library (CMPL) is operating in Grab & Go mode. People may enter the building to browse if they are not experiencing any symptoms of COVID-19. Masks must be worn over the nose and mouth at all times. Visits should be limited to 30 minutes or less. Computers, copiers and fax service are available and self-serve. CMPL continues to monitor the positivity rate in the community and will restore more services as it becomes safe to do so. In the meantime, the library continues to offer programs and events online.

On Mon., May 3 at 7 p.m., CMPL is partnering with the League of Women Voters to offer a virtual town hall meeting on redistricting. Bev Bishop will discuss redistricting in Michigan, the commission, and opportunities for the public, including Communities of Interest, to provide input to the commission before it draws the maps. Register online or call (586) 226-5050.

On Wed., May 5 at 12 p.m., CMPL will host a Grow with Google session on how to sell more with a good email marketing strategy. This is a great program for those with businesses that want to reach more people. Tune in to the event as a group and participate in a short Q & A afterwards. Register online or call (586) 226-5040.

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Summer is almost here and people are daydreaming about a getaway. On Wed., May 5 at 7 p.m. Phil Porter, Director Emeritus, Mackinac State Historic Parks, will present a lecture on the island's summer cottage communities and how they have evolved from early simple vernacular homes to later opulent mansions in this visual tour. Register online or call (586) 226-5083.

Starting May 10, visit the Tomlinson Arboretum, west of the Main Library, to find poems placed throughout the natural setting of the park. The poems include contemporary and classic works mounted near benches. Pick up a map at either entrance or find it online at cmpl.org/adults to locate and enjoy the poems as you walk through the park.

On Tues., May 11 at 6:30 p.m., Rozlyn Kelly, President of the Farmington Genealogical Society, will give an overview on African-American genealogical research. The program includes relevant history and available resources. A case study researching freedom seekers on the Underground Railroad, free blacks and enslaved persons will be shared. This is a program for all genealogists. Register online or call (586) 226-5040.

CMPL will offer a program on man's best friend and art on Tues., May 18 at 3 p.m. Dr. Michael Norris, former museum educator at the Metropolitan Museum of Art, will present BFFs: Man and Dog in the Classical World. From Cerberus, of ancient Greek mythology, to the war dogs, pets, and hunting dogs of Rome, look at examples in Classical art to learn how man's best friend preserved the life, limb, and property of his master. Register online or call (586) 226-5040.

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On Wed., May 19 at 6:30 p.m., CMPL librarians will share their favorite book recommendations at Chapter One. Librarians will discuss the best books of this spring and give participants the inside scoop on hot reads for the summer. Register online or call (586) 226-5050.

Do librarians seem to have a magic power to find information you want? On Thurs., May 20 at 7 p.m., they will share their magical ability with participants looking for information on hobbies. In Library Wizardry: Hobby Edition, participants will learn about the digital services offered for free at CMPL to support hobbies, including crafting, drawing, and even language skills. Register online or call (586) 226-5050.

CMPL is also still offering its usual book discussion groups and trivia nights online each month. See the full event calendar and register for events at <http://cmpl.libnet.info/events> or call the library at (586) 226-5000.

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