Community Report
2015-2016

Hours
Monday-Wednesday: 10AM - 8PM
Thursday: 10AM - 6PM
Friday & Saturday: 10AM - 2PM

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Check us out on Facebook!

How can you support your library?
- Join the Friends of the LCL: whether volunteering at the circulation desk, assisting with special projects, donating resources, shelving books, arranging programming or working in the garden, there is a place for you!
- Donate used books
- Make a monetary donation

Contact the Library today!
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SAVE THE DATE! June 18th, 2016
Join us for a combined Kick-off Celebration to “On Your Mark, Get Set, READ!” Summer Reading Program and the LCL Book Sale. Listen to stories by the Beauty and the Beast Storytellers at the Community Center 11:00 AM, Check out the Physics Bus at noon, get your face painted, and shop the Book Sale from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM downstairs in the library.

Last year 355 children, teens, and adults joined our Summer Reading Program which is funded, in part, by the Friends of LCL Book Sale proceeds.

The Friends are our library’s “heroes!”
The Board of Trustees is delighted to recognize the tireless efforts of the Friends of the Lansing Community Library and the many dedicated LCL volunteers. LCL would not be the same without you!

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Community Center
It’s Yours!
“NOT JUST BOOKS!

With the advent of digital technologies, libraries have heard a lot about how books will become out-moded. While many bibliophiles agree that the printed word will never truly go out of style, your local library is certainly not just books anymore. As a community center, LCL caters to the needs of a diverse patron base on many different levels. The library’s educational programming, early childhood literacy opportunities, and the hosting of a writers’ group, helps to satisfy intellectual and developmental needs. Computer stations, loaner laptops, internet access, and job search resources equalize access to the online world for many of LCL’s patrons. Ongoing art displays, Tai Chi classes, and community challenges, such as the logo contest and “local heroes” project, fulfill the urge for introspection and creativity. And, of course, LCL’s new video game collection, jigsaw puzzle collection, DVD collection, and gaming events, support the pursuit of whimsy and inventiveness. Explore all LCL has to offer...and maybe check out a great book, too!”

2015 Fast Facts

35,150 People visited the library
3,528 Lansing residents have a library card
20,000 Visits made to the library's website
64,422 Items checked out by Lansing patrons
31,001 Items in our collection

Ongoing Programs

Weekly
- Lansing Writers’ Group
- Play Mah Jongg
- Tai Chi
- Story Hours for Preschoolers & Toddlers

Monthly
- Book Club for Adults
- Artist displays
- Quarterly Pajama Story Time
- Lansing Writers' Group Reads

Semi-Annual Book Sales

Senator Nozzolio visits with Tompkins County 4-H kids.

8,332 people attended 454 programs at the library
The Importance of Summer Reading

Many children do not read over the summer, and as a result, they may “slide” backwards many reading levels. Our program keeps children reading and engaged in a fun and relaxed environment. Children then return to school as stronger, more confident readers. Another basic, but extremely important aspect of our program, is access to books. This is critical to engage children in reading. Our public library is an excellent resource for families. Within our collection there are thousands of books for a wide range of interests and reading levels, as well as library staff to guide children and families in selecting great books.

- Children who select reading materials themselves, and read for enjoyment, receive the most gains in reading achievement. Self-directed reading leads to better reading comprehension, writing style, vocabulary, spelling, and grammatical development.

- Children who find reading fun tend to read more often. Our summer program helps make reading enjoyable and social, and it is designed for maximum fun.

- Reading just 4 to 6 books over the summer has the potential to prevent a decline in reading achievement scores from the spring to the fall, so even a limited commitment to reading is very beneficial.

- Preventing the summer “slide” is best accomplished by encouraging kids to read, getting families to support their children’s reading, and most importantly, making reading fun. Our Summer Reading Program helps to get the whole family involved by encouraging teen and adult participation, as well, because children who see adults in their lives reading tend to read more themselves.

Merry-Go-Round
Play In The Park 2013

My How It’s Grown!
2009 to 2015
Total Number of Participants
78%
Total Program Attendance
500%
Number of Program Sessions
100%
Teen Participation
80%
Adult Participation
50%

SUMMER READING 2009 - 2015
**Sample of Special Programs and Events**

- Summer Reading Program
- Once Upon a Wolf (Merry-Go-Round Youth Theater)
- Super Hero Training Camp
- Local Author Tea
- Genealogy
- Pet Care
- Movie Nights and Pajama Story Hour
- Lansing: Place, Land, Memory
- Science Saturday
- David Kirk Book Making
- Bill Thomas Author Reading and Reception
- Come and Go Legos
- East Shore Festival of the Arts
- Rotating Art Exhibits and Openings

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**Grants received in 2015**

$38,689

- “Every Hero Has A Story” grant from the Community Foundation for the Summer Reading Program
- Community Arts Partnership grant for artist performances
- Senator Nozzolio - Building improvements
- Friends of TCPL - Non-Fiction books for all ages
- Borg Warner books for school readiness

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**And the winner is...!**

LCL’s third annual logo contest winners for the Summer Reading Program slogan, “Exercise Your Mind & READ!,” are Kiara Tornusciolo & Hazel Thomas!

This design will be used on t-shirts and publications throughout the year.

This year we had 66 submissions with incredible quality and unique ideas. Choosing just one was very difficult!

We would like to thank everyone who made a contribution.

All the submissions will be on display in the children’s room through May.

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We would like to extend a special thank you to the Community Foundation for facilitating the growth of our endowment & supporting our programs through the Rosen Fund.