

# SHELF LIFE: BEYOND THE STACKS

## Tecumseh District Library

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### CLOSING DATES

**Labor Day**  
Monday, Sept. 2

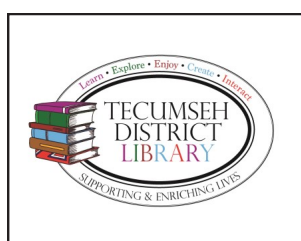
**Thanksgiving**  
Thursday, Nov. 28



## STRATEGIC PLAN

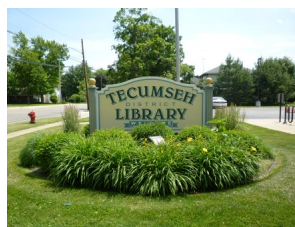
Members of the Board of Trustees, the community and the staff met in June to formulate a three year strategic plan for TDL. The basis for their discussion was the Community Survey, which the library made available to the public in April and May.

Topics of discussion included: website upgrade, support of the local business community, partnerships with area organizations, expansion of library parking areas, the importance of reaching students of all ages, increasing volunteerism,



children's programming and technology upgrades.

The committee will meet again in September to finalize the plan. It will be posted on the library website, when complete.



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Meetings of the Board of Trustees are generally held on the third Tuesday of every month at 5:30 p.m. in the Tecumseh District Library Founding Mothers Board Room.

The public is welcome to attend.

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## MORE STORY TIMES

The Library will offer a series of 5-week Preschool Story Times on Wednesday mornings at 10:30 a.m. The upcoming sessions will be held:

- Sept. 11 - Oct. 9
- Nov. 6 - Dec. 4
- Jan. 8 - Feb. 5
- Feb. 26 - March 25
- April 22 - May 20

Registration is required for each session. Monthly themed

Story Times will continue from 6:45 p.m. — 7:30 p.m. Upcoming fall sessions include:

- **Snoozeville**  
(PJ Storytime):  
September 24th
- **Shenanigans**  
(Halloween):  
October 29th
- **Harvest of Blessings**  
(Thanksgiving):  
November 26th

### Stockingful of Joy

(Winter Holiday):

December 17th  
Monthly Story Times are designed for 3-year-olds thru 2nd graders.

### Registration is required.

Please consult the calendar/events section on our website for a complete list of programs and to sign-up.



## WEBSITE UPGRADE COMING

Our website will be getting an upgrade. It soon will be responsive, which means that it will automatically change its layout and navigational menu depending on the size of the viewing device— full size desktop

display, tablet or smartphone.

The site will also place greater emphasis on accessibility, helping to ensure that those with visual or other impairments can easily access the

information provided.

From an administrative perspective, the site allows library staff to more easily add new pages and content, and more quickly set up and arrange the navigational menu.

## CIRCULATION SYSTEM UPGRADE

Our circulation system was recently upgraded to improve customer utilization and improve security. All data is secured and encrypted so users' activities can't be tracked.

The Version 6 platform offers a new user

session structure, meaning patrons can have multiple browser tabs open. The upgraded version enhances the searching experience by offering more ways to filter and customize. Once you find the material, you can easily

place a hold, add it to a saved list or even text the title to your mobile device.





# MEET THE AUTHOR SERIES

Thursday 7 p.m.- 8 p.m.

September 19th  
**ALAN NALDRETT**



**Lost Towns  
of Eastern  
Michigan**

Tuesday 7 p.m. - 8 p.m.

October 15th  
**MEG MACY**



**Teddy Bear  
Cozy Mystery  
Series**

Tuesday, 7 p.m. - 8:30p.m.

October 22nd  
**BRAD MIKULKA**



**Ghosts, Spirits  
& More  
of Tecumseh**

Tuesday, 7 p.m. - 8 p.m.

November 5th  
**PATRICIA MAJHER**



**Amazing Boys  
in Michigan  
History**

## UPCOMING FUNDRAISER

The Friends of the Library will be holding their third annual Table of Contents Fundraiser on Sunday, November 3rd from 1 p.m. – 4 p.m. at Gloria Dei Church. Area groups sign up for a table, choose a book

theme and decorate accordingly. Each person pays \$25 for a seat at the table.

For the first time, the Library will have a special guest table for individuals wanting to attend the event without

committing to decorating a table.

The event is catered by 3 Dudes and Dinner.

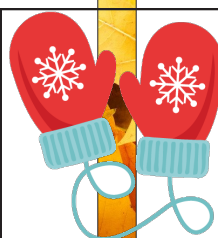
There will be raffle drawings, voting for the best tables and former TDL Director Gayle Hazelbaker will be MC.

## SOCK AND MITTEN DRIVE

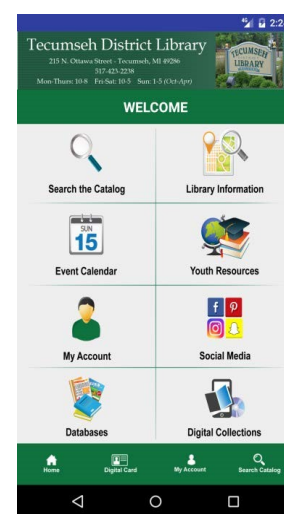
The Library will be collecting socks and mittens during the month of October. For every pair of mittens or socks donated, up to \$5 will be forgiven in overdue fines. This is an excellent opportunity to clear up

existing fines and restore full library card borrowing privileges.

The waiver is only for overdue fines and not for the replacement of damaged or lost materials.



The collected socks and mittens will be donated locally. If you have any questions, please call the Library at 423-2238.



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Thank you to the following for your recent contributions in the last quarter:

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