

Three Oaks Township Public Library Director's Report: February 2, 2026

January 2026 circulation statistics:

- 1,616 total circulation: 1006 physical items checked out + 523 e-items checked out (Libby, hoopla, Kanopy) + 87 e-magazines (on Libby).
- 33 items borrowed via inter-library loan, 36 items lent via inter-library loan
- 47 different sign-ins on public computers
- 20 in-person programs were offered last month & attendance was 53 in-person plus 35 passive programming.

Upcoming Events:

- Every Tuesday: Drop-In Play Doh Play Date, 11:00 – 12:00 noon.
- Every Wednesday: Knitting and Crocheting Circle, 10:30 – 11:30. Individuals of all skill levels are invited to bring their projects.
- Every Thursday: Lego Club @ the Library all day. Projects will stay on display for one week.
- Every Thursday: Adult Drop-In Color Me Happy Hour, 1:00 – 2:00.
- Every Thursday: Story Time, 4:30 – 5:00.
- Drop-In Valentine Craft Day for ages 12 and under, Thursday, February 12, 2:00 – 6:00.
- Peeps Diorama Contest @ Three Oaks Township Public Library: Drop off your diorama March 2 through March 7, 2026.
- FREE showing of "The Librarians" presented by Children's Coastline Film Festival, 4:00. Free popcorn included!
- Southwestern Michigan Writers' Conference, Saturday, April 25, 8:30 to 3:30 at Lincoln Township Public Library in Stevensville.

40 Tiny Art Kits were picked up by patrons and 28 have been returned to be included in our Tiny Art Show display. Make sure you check them out in the display cabinet by the checkout desk. They are spectacular! We will be doing this again next year.

We are having a Drop-In Valentine Craft Day for ages 12 and under on Thursday, February 12, 2:00 – 6:00.

Children's Coastline Film Festival will be showing the documentary "The Librarians" at our library on Saturday, March 14, at 4:00. Free movie with free popcorn!

Our second annual Peeps Diorama display will happen when the Tiny Art Show is over.

The library will be at the RV Elementary Fun Fair on March 7 from 11:00 – 1:00. We give out shamrock coins for the kids to return to our library and choose one free book.

We are again participating in the Southwestern Michigan Writer's Conference to be held at Lincoln Township Public Library on Saturday, April 25, 9-3. Despite a lot of advertising for this event, we have never had anyone from our library attend.

RV has had eight snow days this year and we have been open for seven of them. We saw between four and seven people on those days. People were either coming in to make copies or they were patrons who called first to see if we were open.

We are in the thick of planning for summer reading. The theme this year is "Unearth a Story." We are very excited to feature dinosaurs.

I am in the thick of working on our website. We use the platform Ploud that is funded in part through IMLS through the Library of Michigan. We do this because it's affordable, not because it's the great platform out there. Yesterday they migrated our website to Ploud6 to allow for easier ADA compliance. I have to learn many different edits now and do content audits and cleanup. It's a lot! Fortunately, we do not have to be 100% ADA compliant until April 2027.