



# Three Oaks Township Public Library

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## Hours:

Monday 10 – 5

Tuesday 10 – 6

Wednesday 10 – 5

Thursday 10 – 6

Friday 10 – 5

Saturday 10-2,

(beginning January 9)

Sunday closed

## Library Board:

Debi Kearney

Tom Pauly

Patience Petro

Tom Rosenbluth

Connie Slavens

Christina Zebell

## Library Staff:

Cheryl Kersey,

*Director*

Adele Lanan

Erin Przybylinski

Debbie Sieler

Reminder: The Library will be CLOSED when River Valley Schools have a SNOW DAY and are closed due to inclement weather. Please call the library at 756-5621 before venturing out on snowy or icy days – if the answering machine picks up, we're closed.

## **A Word from the Director:**

What a year 2020 was! In addition to the pandemic and being closed for two months, at the library we welcomed five brand-new board members and bid farewell to a long-time employee.

Six board members were sworn in on December 8, 2020. They are: Debi Kearney, Tom Pauly, Patience Petro, Tom Rosenbluth, Connie Slavens, and Chris Zebell.

We celebrated Karen Lubarski's retirement from the library on November 25, 2020. Karen will be greatly missed. We welcomed Erin Przybylinski to the role of curator of our Jane Ward Genealogy Room. Erin's office hours are Wednesday, 10-5, or by appointment.

In 2020 our patrons saved \$107,211 by using the library! They borrowed: over 8,000 physical items (books, audiobooks, and DVDs), almost 300 physical items from inter-library loan, over 180 items from our Library of Things (hot spots, puzzles, games, etc.) over 730 digital downloads on hoopla, over 2,000 digital downloads on Libby/Overdrive, and over 20 digital downloads on Kanopy (this platform was introduced to our patrons at the end of November). We lent over 200 physical items out to other Michigan libraries via inter-library loan.

If you aren't familiar with our online resources, make sure you check out [Kanopy](#), [hoopla digital](#), and [Libby/Overdrive](#). These can be accessed anywhere and anytime via the internet. If you need assistance, don't be afraid to call us at 756-5621. We're happy to talk you through it.

Beginning January 9, 2021 we will resume Saturday hours, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Our building remains open and we have no plans to close it unless it is mandated by the state or health department. When you do come to the library, you are required to wear a mask and maintain social distance from others that do not live in your household, and lingering is discouraged. If you choose not to come in the building, we are still offering curbside pickup. To place requests you may call us at 756-5621 and we will let you know when your order will be ready; or you may log in online at <https://threeoaks.biblionix.com/catalog/> and reserve items yourself, we will then call you when your items are ready. Please do not come to the library if you feel sick or have recently been sick.

Happy New Year from the staff at Three Oaks Library.  
We hope to see YOU soon!

Free Wi-Fi

Free Public Computers  
with Microsoft Office

Fax and Copy  
Service Available

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Mobile Hotspots  
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[Hoopla](#)

[Libby/Overdrive](#)

[Kanopy](#)

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Program

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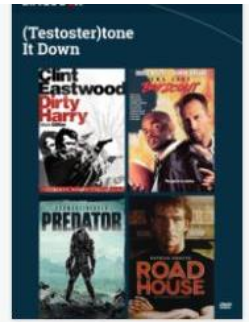
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**THREE OAKS TOWNSHIP  
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We are excited to introduce **DVD Binge Boxes**.

These are a themed collection of DVDs in one box for a spectacular movie experience. Each Binge Box comes in a bag with special candy treats and microwave popcorn. Our current themes are: Six Degrees of Kevin Bacon, Mob Hits, 1980s, (Testoster)tone It Down, and Disney Animation Hidden Gems. Only one Binge Box can be checked out at a time, one Binge Box counts as one checkout, and they are due in two weeks.



A "Winter Reading Advisory!" has been issued for the Three Oaks area. This Winter Reading Program for adults will begin on Monday, January 4, 2021, and end on Friday, March 26, 2021. Registration begins on January 4 and the first 30 people will receive a cute mug that is perfect to fill with cocoa as you snuggle up with a good book. Each book completed will enter you into the drawing to win a prize on Monday, March 29, 2021.

No Wi-Fi at home? No problem!

You can check out the internet!

We have Mobile Hot Spots available for check out with a \$25 deposit. These hot spots allow you to connect up to five devices to Wi-Fi wherever there is a cell phone signal. Call 756-5621 today to put your name on the reservation list!



Check out this great resource from the State of Michigan for virtual classes and online social opportunities for older adults. <https://www.getsetup.io/partner/michigan>

The Children's Take and Make craft kit for January features a tissue paper mitten. Craft kits are available first come, first served in limited quantities. Share pictures of your creations on our social media—we'd love to see what you make! Questions? Call 756-5621.

## Upcoming Library Events:

Library Board of Trustees regularly scheduled meeting via Zoom  
Tuesday, January 12, 2021, at 6:30 p.m.

Join Zoom Meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87612316875?pwd=aGJTbWpuNnUzU1dRcUF1T1lyMTBnZz09> Meeting ID: 876 1231 6875 Passcode: 760364

