

Hours:

Monday 10 – 5 Tuesday 10 – 6 Wednesday 10 – 5 Thursday 10 – 6 Friday 10 – 5 Saturday 10-2 Sunday closed

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Library Closings: July 4 & 5, 2025



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FOUNDED IN 1859 - 166 YEARS OF SERVICE!



We have some very exciting news! Our library recently accepted a donation of five professionally made ship models made by Master Model Shipwright Fred Tournier. When Fred passed away he left his model ships to his friend Bruce Bollenbach, who reached out to the library.

June 29, 2025

The model ships are:

the "Lady Washington," a Bermuda sloop built in 1787;

the "Smuggler," a schooner built in 1877;

the "Benjamin W. Latham", built in 1902;

the "Half Moon," a Dutch Vlieboot used in the Hudson Bay in 1609; and the "Diligence," an English Revenue Cutter used in the 18th century.

The ships make a lovely addition to our historic building and we are thrilled to be the caretakers of these replicas of history.

Stop in and check out these pieces of Maritime history.



This week for our Children's Color Our World Summer Reading Program on Tuesday, July 1, 11:00 – 1:00 we will be painting rocks with tattoos and acrylic paint markers.

There is still time for teens and adults to join in the fun by picking up a Bookopoly Game Board at the checkout desk. All items do need to be checked out from Three Oaks Library.

Free Wi-Fi

Free Public Computers with Microsoft Office

Fax and Copy Service Available

Laminating Available

Mobile Hotspots (\$25 deposit)

Tutor.com

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Libby

Kanopy

Local History Room

Inter-Library Loan http://www.mel.org/

Renew your items, reserve items, or make requests at our online

catalog:



https://threeoaks.biblionix. com/catalog/





Upcoming Events at the Library:

- Every Tuesday: Drop-In Play Dough Play Date at the library, 11:00 – 12:00 noon. Drop in to squish, shape, and roll with our Play Dough. Parents must accompany their young children.
- 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. Coffee, coloring sheets, and colored pencils will be provided for this adult only activity.
- Every Thursday: Story Time for all ages, 4:30 5:00.
- Bookopoly, Teen & Adult Summer Reading, Memorial Day to Labor Day.
- Tuesday, July 1, Drop-in between 11:00 1:00 for Summer Reading Activities for children and do rock painting with tattoos and acrylic paint markers.
- Tuesday, July 8, Second Monday Book Club on break for July.
 See you in August!
- Tuesday, July 8, Drop-in between 11:00 1:00 for Summer Reading Activities for children and try your hand at various quilting patterns.
- Tuesday, July 15, Drop-In between 11:00 1:00 for a Summer Reading Bluey and Dog Man Party. Meet Hazel, the Paws for Humanity ambassador. After 1:00 we will take a trip to Paws for Humanity. Parents or guardians must accompany children.
- Tuesday, July 22, Drop-In between 11:00 1:00 for Summer Reading for children Christmas in July. Get in the spirit with crafts, snacks, music, and "A Charlie Brown Christmas."
- Tuesday, July 29, 12:00 noon Sarett Nature Center: a naturalist will present a program with live animals.
- Tuesday, August 5, Drop-In between 11:00 1:00 for Summer Reading Activities for children and learn about the art of mosaics and try your hand at making your own.
- Tuesday, August 12, Drop-In between 11:00 1:00 for Summer Reading for children to make a crazy collage.
- Tuesday, August 19, 12:00 noon End of Summer Reading Celebration with the Critchlow Alligator Sanctuary and live alligators!

Take and Make Craft Bags for children are available. at the Checkout Desk every day.

Follow us on <u>Facebook</u> (http://www.facebook.com/threeoakslibrary) and check our website, www.threeoaks.michlibrary.org for all the latest information and events.



The Michigan Department of Health and Human Services
Library Partnership for At-Home Tests Program has come to
an end. We still have many boxes left but we will not be
receiving more.



Now enjoying your favorite magazines with your coffee is easier than ever! Check out your Magazine Rack in the Libby app to quickly access over 5,000 magazines in various languages. Get started at: https://smdl.overdrive.com/



Are you out of Hoopla borrows for June? No problem! Titles in Hoopla's Bonus Borrows program don't count against your limit, and they're available the last seven days of each month. Enjoy Hoopla all month long you're your Three Oaks Library card?

https://www.hoopladigital.com/collection/30266



Join the fun with the PBS KIDS Hoopla BingePass!
From Arthur's adventures to Daniel Tiger's
neighborhood, these programs help kids ages 2-8
learn and grow with lovable, diverse characters who
inspire and celebrate every child.

https://www.hoopladigital.com/bingepass/17606717

To celebrate 20 years of the Michigan eLibrary (MeL) each week we are showcasing a few of the great cache of resources and information you have access to for FREE.



MyHeritage Library Edition - Family history resource including more than 6 billion historical records from the United States, Europe, Latin America, and other regions. Includes the full USA federal census (1790-1940); census of England and Wales (1841-1901); U.S. World War II Army Enlistment as well as records of Union and Confederate Civil War soldiers. https://tinyurl.com/4depbk3h



Consumer Reports (via MasterFILE Complete) - Provides clear reviews of commonly purchased products. Consumer Reports uses careful research, consumer insights, journalism, and policy expertise to help you inform purchase decisions. Also works to improve the products and services that businesses deliver, and drive regulatory and fair competitive practices. https://tinyurl.com/4zeumb3y



For elementary students. Content from children's magazines, easy-to-read encyclopedia entries, and images. Students can learn about animals, musicians, fitness, space exploration, and much more. Pulls content from Middle Search Plus, Primary Search, Newspaper Source Plus, and the eBook K-8 Collection. https://tinyurl.com/27vkk8a2



Map Your Adventure

Use your Three Oaks Township Public Library card to "check-out" free or discounted passes to hundreds of cultural destinations, parks, campgrounds and recreation areas.

Head over to www.miactivitypass.org to get started. Scroll down to "Start Your Adventure," choose Three Oaks Township Public Library from the drop-down menu and you can search by location or activity. There are nine destinations within 25 miles of our library!

Passes and coupons are limited to first come, first served, and only available for the next two weeks of the date you search.

Summer Reading for teens and adults is

Bookopoly - complete challenges to earn entries into the Grand Prize Drawings. Pick up a Game Board now and you have until Labor Day to complete it. All books must be checked out through the Three Oaks Library. Winners will be notified by September 6.

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Teen & Adult Summer Reading 2025 Memorial Day to Labor Day

Three Oaks Township Public Library



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Track your titles here:

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	A book that has 200 pages or fewer		
	A book that has 400 pages or more		
	An e-book, or audio book		
	The first book of a favourite author		
	Reader's Choice		
	A book by a foreign author		
	A book with exactly 4 words in the title		
	A book with a number in the title		
	A book whose title begins with the letter D		
	A book with a black cover		
	A book with a vehicle on the cover		
	Choose a book by its cover		
	A book of non-fiction		
	A book of poems, essays, or short stories		
	A book from your favorite genre		
	A book set in your home state		
	Reader's Choice		
	A book set in the future or the past		
	A book you read/heard/saw a review of		
	A book suggested by a friend		
	Reader's Choice		
	A book older than you		
	A biography or autobiography		
	Re-read an old favorite		
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All Three Oaks Township Public Library patrons are invited to join the monthly Free History Hounds online lectures. All programs are remote via Zoom. Register for the programs on HSM's website at www.hsmichigan.org. Choose the "Programs" tab at the top of the website and choose History Hounds Lecture Series. On the registration form select "A member of an HSM member organization" and enter Three Oaks Township Public Library and your name, address, and email. HSM will automatically email you the Zoom link the day before each program.



Free History Hounds' lectures for members of your historical organization!

You can attend the Historical Society of Michigan's (HSM) weekly History Hounds' Lecture Series free of charge as a benefit of your membership with your historical organization. All programs are remote, via Zoom, so you can participate on your home computer, laptop, tablet, or smart phone.

Register for the programs on HSM's website at www.hsmichigan.org. On the registration form, select "A member of an HSM member organization" and enter the name of your organization. Select the programs you wish to attend. HSM will email you the Zoom link the day before each program. Free admission is courtesy of your historical organization's membership with HSM.



Upcoming Lectures:

July 1 @ 12:00 p.m. Noon Planting Progress: The Transformation of Michigan Agriculture

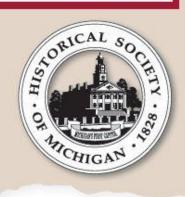
July 9 @ 7:00 p.m. From Cadillac to Traverse City: The Historic Old Indian Trail

July 15 @ 12:00 p.m. Noon Art Adoms the Paths of Life: A Capitol Catalogue

July 23 @ 7:00 p.m. The Surprising Automotive Heritage of Jackson, Michigan

July 29 @ 12:00 p.m. Noon Rewind - Soupy Sales and the Detroit Experience

Note: All lecture times are scheduled in the Eastern time zone.





Did you know? Household members of the Historical Society of Michigan can access recordings of past History Hounds on the HSM website! Members must be logged in with an active membership to view past lectures on demand. To learn more about memberships, visit www.hsmichigan.org/join.

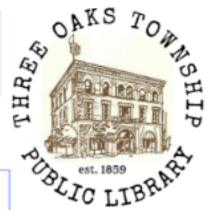


2025 ANNUAL AGES 13+ READING CHALLENGE

Read a book that...



starts with the same letter as your name.	
is by an author from your home state.	
won a literary prize	
was published last year (2024)	
is nonfiction	
inspired a movie or TV show.	
is or was a NY Times bestseller.	
that takes place in the American West (historical or current).	
takes place in Michigan	
takes place in a location outside the United States.	
is a suspense or thriller novel.	
does NOT have a preposition in the title ('in', 'at', 'on', 'of', 'to', 'from', etc).	
is by an author you have not read before.	
is a YA (Young Adult) fiction.	
has any holiday themed images on the cover.	



Complete twelve (12) of the fifteen (15) challenges and write the title and author next to the challenges completed. Turn in this completed paper to the library checkout desk to be entered in the grand prize drawing. Challenge ends December 31, 2025. All items must be checked out from Three Oaks Public Library.

Your Name:





SATURDAY
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Three Oaks Library
High Noon
Brian Carroll, Historian and Archivist at the Israelite

Brian Carroll, Historian and Archivist at the Israelite House of David. A rare and wonderful opportunity to

"Just a Little Baseball", presented by the Biggest

learn about the Colony, and their teams.

SATURDAY JUNE 7

Three Oaks Library High Noon Little Baseball Museum, takes a look at our National Pastime and gives a historic overview of the game.

Attendees will learn, reminisce, reflect, and enjoy.

SATURDAY JULY 5
Masonic Lodge High Noon

Masonic Lodge 14 1/2 N. Elm (Above Alapash) A great opportunity to visit the historic Masonic Lodge, established in 1867 "Jackie Was the First", presented by the Biggest Little Baseball Museum, is a look back at black players in baseball, and explains the rise and fall of the Negro Leagues, highlighting Jackie Robinson along with other players and their roles in integrating baseball. *(Recently presented to the History Hounds of the Michigan Historical Society with high marks!)

SATURDAY AUGUST 2
Three Oaks Library High Noon

"The Ball: Dead, Live, and Spit", defines the sometimes talked about but rarely defined "dead ball era", "live ball era", and the role the spitball played

in each.

Admission is free, and includes a complimentary box of Cracker Jacks. The Biggest Little Baseball Museum is a 501c3, and accepts donations of baseball books, as well as used baseballs and softballs. The above programs can be presented to your organization, for which the Biggest Little Baseball Museum will accept a monetary contribution. The Biggest Little Baseball Museum is located in the middle of Three Oaks Magnificent Quarter Mile, in a room on the second floor of the historic Three Oaks Township Library. Listed in the National Register of Historic Places, the library opens at 10 AM 6 days a week, and is open until 6 PM Monday thru Thursday, 5 PM on Friday, and 2 PM on Saturday.