

# 2018

## LIBRARY HOURS

**Monday – Thursday:** 9 AM – 9 PM

**Friday:** 9 AM – 5 PM

**Saturday:** 9 AM – 3 PM

**Sunday:** *Closed*

### LIBRARY CLOSINGS:

*Labor Day, September 1-3, 2018*

*Staff Training Day, October 5, 2018*

*Day before Thanksgiving,*

*November 21 close at 5 pm*

*Thanksgiving, November 22-23, 2018*

## LIBRARY DIRECTOR

Rebecca Higerson

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## Upcoming Library Board Meetings

*The library board holds meetings  
once a month at 7:00 pm.*

September 24, 2018

October 22, 2018

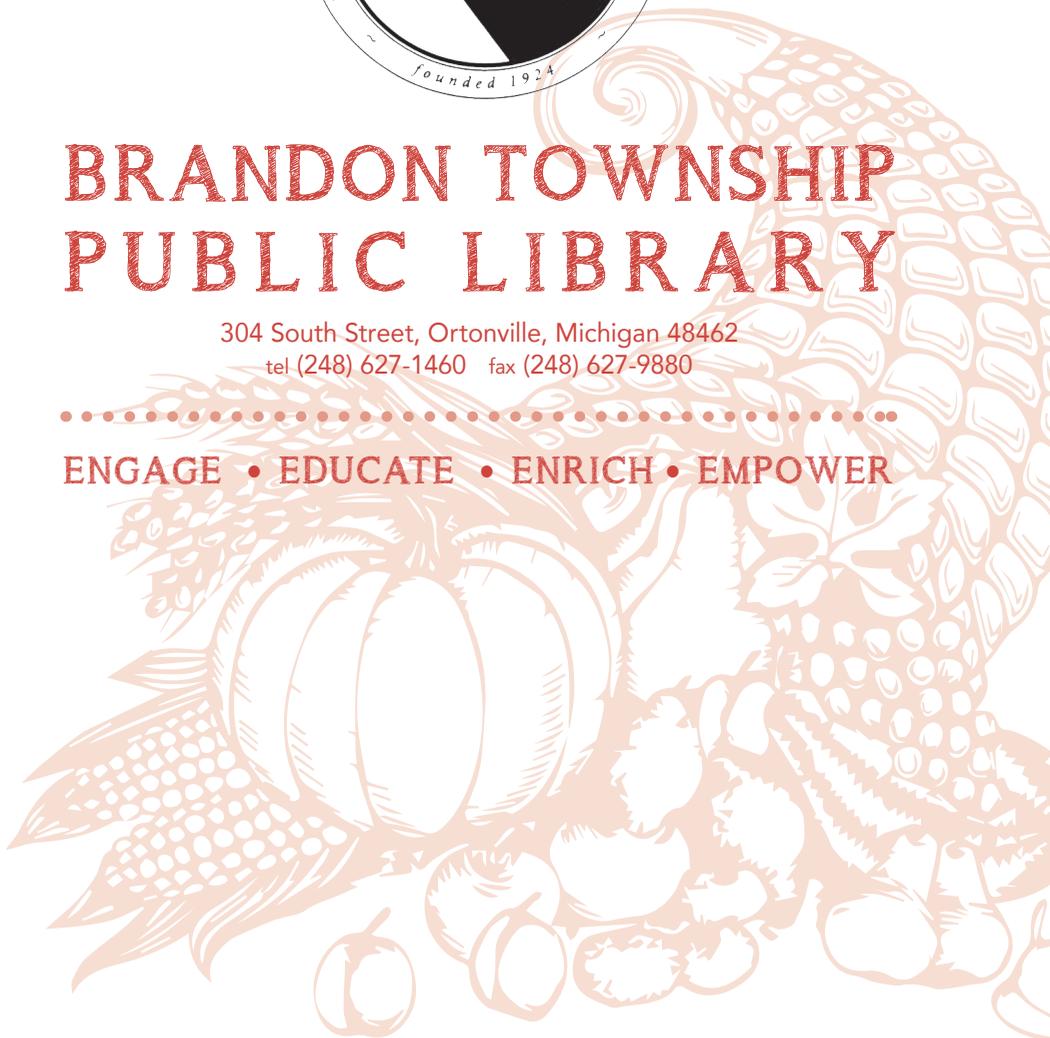
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# BRANDON TOWNSHIP PUBLIC LIBRARY

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# Fall 2018

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# LIBRARY NEWS

## Introducing 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten!

The Brandon Township Public Library will be offering this National Early Literacy Initiative this fall thanks to a generous \$500.00 Grant from the Ortonville Rotary Club.

This program encourages parents and caregivers to provide positive, nurturing experiences by reading aloud to their children regularly. Research shows that the most reliable predictor of school success is being read to at home during early childhood. The brain develops more rapidly during the first three years of a child's life than any other time during their lifespan. Reading from an early age can close the vocabulary gap and prepare children to enter kindergarten with the skills they need to succeed. Most important, sharing books with children promotes a lifelong love of books and reading.



Left to right, Ernie Ludwig, Brent Blackburn, Sandy Blackburn, Fran Hotchkiss, Outreach Liaison Librarian, Dave VultAggio and Bob Pence.

## New Quiet Study Room!

Calling all students! Do you or your group need a quiet place to study? If so, you're in luck! Book our new quiet study room at the library for two hours at a time. Just visit the library's website [www.brandonlibrary.org](http://www.brandonlibrary.org).

- Click on Reserve a Room
- Select a date and time
- Pick the Quiet Study/ Meeting Room if it's available

# FALL INTO YOUR LIBRARY

## Check-out what the library can do for you!

September 10 — September 15

Adults Teens Youth (10 & under)

Grand Prize Gift Baskets For Each Age Group

Drawing for Gift Baskets will be on

Saturday, September 15, 2:45 pm

## Two Ways to Earn Scratch-Offs and Win Prizes!

FALL INTO YOUR LIBRARY

SCRATCH  
TO WIN

Scratch here to see  
if you are a winner!

- Update your library card or Sign-up for a new card
- Check something out

Scratch-off ticket prizes include: local gift cards to restaurants, gas stations and grocery, fun food prizes, and other great things.

Cut this coupon out and bring it to the library! Receive our newsletter via email? Show us the email on your phone/tablet. We'll reduce each member account by \$2.00. This coupon can only be used once and is valid until November 30, 2018.

**Good for \$2 off  
overdue fines!**



**Valid thru 11/30/18  
Brandon Township  
Public Library**

# ADULT PROGRAMS

Program dates and times are subject to change. Please check the library website for current and new programs

## Fall Morning & Evening Yoga

### **Mondays**

**September 10 - October 29**

**10:00-11:00 am**

### **Tuesdays**

**September 11 - October 30**

**7:00-8:00 pm**

Eight week class for any level. Bring a mat, towel, and water. Consult your physician before beginning any health regime. You must register to be eligible, but due to the popularity of this ongoing series, please register for only the AM or PM class, attendees will be randomly selected.

## Parenting the Love and Logic Way

### **Mondays**

**September 10 - October 15**

**6:30-8:00 pm**

This class is designed to assist parents in developing new skills in raising children. The six-week class will be facilitated by Linda Brooks, a parent of four children and now a grandparent. Linda used Love and Logic in raising her own children and is anxious to share what she learned with others. Free childcare is provided for ages 3 and up. Please call the Youth Desk at 248-627-1462 to let us know the number of children and their ages. Sponsored by Brandon Groveland Youth Assistance.

## Saturday Book Buzz

### **Third Saturday**

**September 15, October 20,**

**November 17**

**10:00-11:30 am**

Meet new people and make new friends! This lively book club meets September through June. **Fall Books:**

**September:** The Great Alone  
by Kristen Hannah

**October:** Breakfast with Buddha  
by Roland Merullo

**November:** Little Fires Everywhere  
by Celeste Ng

## Adult Movie Matinee

### **Third Thursday**

**September 20, October 18,**

**November 15**

**2:00-4:00 pm**

Adults are invited to our latest free movie matinee!

**September:** Wonder

**October:** Greatest Showman

**November:** Passengers

## Tai Chi

### **Thursdays**

**October 4 - November 29**

**No Class on November 22**

**10:00-11:00 am**

Are you a tad uncoordinated? Do you hate sweating and following aerobic steps to loud music? Let Mona Goatley guide you through the ancient art of Tai Chi. With fluid movements and measured breathing, you will leave the class with less stress and your inner Chi thanking you!

## Michigan's Ghostly Beacons

**Wednesday, September 12**

**7:00-8:00 pm**

Are you brave enough to join Dianna Stampfler as she shares tales of eerie legends that surround some of Michigan's haunted lighthouses? From oppressive solitude to the tragic loss of loved ones, Dianna tells stories of keepers who were extremely dedicated to their profession - even in death.

## Parenting and Child Caregiver Workshops

**Thursday, September 13**

**6:00-8:00 pm**

Reading Fun For Everyone - Participants will learn the importance of reading with young children, about building relationships through reading and storytelling, and strategies for reading with young children.

## Parenting and Child Caregiver Workshops continued...

**Thursday, October 11**

**6:00-8:00 pm**

Say and Play Reading - Define dialogic reading and understand its value and benefits based on research. Describe how dialogic reading supports phonological awareness, alphabet knowledge, and oral language development. Identify appropriate books for use with dialogic reading.

\* *Certificates for training hours will be provided for childcare providers. Registration is required. Childcare is provided for ages 3 and older in the Youth Department. Please call 248-627-1462 if you are bringing children, and provide their ages so we can plan accordingly.*

## Welcome to Here: A reluctant traveler goes to China

**Thursday, September 27**

**7:00-8:00 pm**

Michigan author Nancy Solak discusses her travel memoir, Welcome to Here: A reluctant traveler goes to China. From overcoming severe panic attacks, meeting her future in-laws, and learning how to use foreign toilets, Nancy handles it all with wit and charm.

## Roadside Reflections: Respecting the past and preserving for the future

**Thursday, October 4**

**7:00-8:00 pm**

Through his images, photographer Jackson Faulkner gives the viewer a chance to feel the glow of twilight as it appears over an abandoned barn or experience the silence of a century old prairie grain elevator waiting for the next harvest. He believes if we choose not to honor and remember our past, we will suffer more than the loss of a building or a tractor. We will lose the collective history of who we were and who we are, and our future generations will be poorer because of it. Instagram: @jacksonfaulkner

# ADULT & COMMUNITY PROGRAMS

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## Adult Programs cont.

### Michigan Blood Drive

**Wednesday, October 10**

**1:00-7:00 pm**

Be a Super Hero! Save up to three lives with your blood donation! If your last donation was on or before August 15, 2018, we would love to have you make an appointment by calling 248-627-1462 or go to [www.brandonlibrary.org](http://www.brandonlibrary.org).

### Parenting and Child Caregiver Workshop

**Thursday, October 11**

**6:00-8:00 pm**

Say and Play Reading - Define dialogic reading and understand its value and benefits based on research. Describe how dialogic reading supports phonological awareness, alphabet knowledge, and oral language development. Identify appropriate books for use with dialogic reading. Certificates for training hours will be provided for childcare providers. Registration is required. Childcare is provided for ages 3 and older in the Youth Department. Please call 248-627-1462 if you are bringing children, and provide their ages so we can plan accordingly.

### Cyber Security

**Wednesday, October 17**

**6:30-8:00 pm**

The Internet touches almost all aspects of everyone's daily life, whether we realize it or not. Computer security expert, Robert Haas, member of the Brandon Township CERT team, will share important tips designed to engage and educate public about the importance of cybersecurity, provide them with tools and resources needed to stay safe and keep their kids safe online.

## True Crime Thursdays

### Stick 'Em Up: Michigan Bank Robberies of the 1920s & 1930s.

**Thursday, October 25**

**7:00-8:00 pm**

Ruthless crooks with fast cars and sawed-off shotguns terrorize banks in post-WWI era Michigan. Tom Powers offers a fascinating look at these real-life Michigan gangsters and even the civilian posses that helped stop them.

### Michigan's Most Dangerous Women

**Thursday, November 15**

**7:00-8:00 pm**

A true crime adventure with murderesses, madams, and molls from Michigan's malevolent past with author Tobin Buhk.

### Blood on the Mitten: Infamous Michigan Murders 1700's to present

**Thursday, November 29**

**7:00-8:00 pm**

Take a walk on the wilder side of Michigan history with True Crime author Tom Carr, as he highlights 57 infamous murders, bombings, and more in his book, Blood on the Mitten: Infamous Michigan Murders 1700s to present.

## Community Programs

### Genealogy Club

**Second Thursday**

**September 13, October 11, November 8**

**6:30-8:00 pm**

Be a genealogy sleuth! We have opportunities for people to learn from one another and enjoy spending time with others who share common interests. As we come together and share knowledge, both our research skills and our family trees continue to grow. All levels welcome, especially newbies!

### Tuesday Book Lovers Club

**Third Tuesday**

**September 18, October 16, November 20**

**9:30-10:30 am**

Join this group of enthusiastic readers in reading and discussing the following books: September 18 - Winnie the Pooh by AA Milne, October 16 - Born a Crime by Trevor Noah, November 20 - American Wolf by Nate Blakeslee.

### Writer's Group

**Third Thursday**

**September 20, October 18, November 15**

**7:00-8:30 pm**

This club is open to all writers and aspiring writers. Bring a notebook, a pencil, and a current project. Share ideas, get feedback, and learn how to navigate the challenges of being a writer. Ages 16 & up.

# FAMILY & TWEEN PROGRAMS

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## Family Programs

### Open Play

#### *Mondays and Fridays*

**September 10 - November 16**

**12:00-3:00 pm**

If you and your children need a change of scenery, drop into the library to use our story time room to play with our puppets, make music with our band instruments, or get creative with legos and blocks. Don't forget the kitchen and train table are also available for young imaginations.

### Family Book and Movie Night

#### *Third Thursday*

**September 20 and October 18**

**6:30-8:00 pm**

It is time for the epic showdown: book vs. movie! Check out the book to read together, then join us for the movie on the big screen while munching on buttery popcorn. Afterwards, we will engage in a short debate and determine if the book or movie is better! September - *A Wrinkle In Time* by Madeleine L'Engle, October - *James and the Giant Peach* by Roald Dahl.

### Drumcommunity

#### *Thursday*

**September 6**

**6:30-7:30 pm**

This program can't be beat! Join us for a high energy, fun, and empowering activity suitable for the entire family! Lori Fithian, a drum circle facilitator and workshop leader, will bring her collection of hand drums and percussion toys for everyone to play. What a great hands-on experience!

### Birdseed Saturday: The Bird Feeder Thief: Squirrels

#### *Saturday*

**September 22**

**1:00-2:30 pm**

Naturalist Cathy Wesley of Seven Ponds Nature Center will be here for a fun talk about Mother Nature's pesky but lovable bird feeder thieves--squirrels. Stay afterwards to make and take a simple birdseed treat. (Allergy Note: Peanut products will be onsite during this program).

### Exotic Animal Show

#### *Thursday*

**November 8**

**6:30-7:30 pm**

Get close and personal with the Exotic Zoo traveling exhibit. They will be featuring many animals from around the world. Learn about their habitats, diets, and much, much more!

## Tween Programs

### Mother/Daughter Book Club

#### *Second Monday*

**September 10, October 8,**

**November 12**

**5:30-6:30 pm**

Rediscover the joy of reading together! Join this group of enthusiastic readers as we read and discuss a variety of books. Stop by the library and reserve your copy today. September - *May B* by: Caroline Starr Rose, October - *Inside out and Back Again* by: Thanhha Lai, November - *Legend, Book 1* by: Marie Lu

### Wizards Science: Tween Edition

#### *Tuesdays*

**September 11 - November 13**

**4:00-4:45 pm**

Prep those wands and board the Hogwarts Express! Are you ready to master the art of potions, herbology, charms and more? Learn the science behind the magic and create cool Harry Potter inspired crafts. Recommended grade 6-8.

### The AUTHORITY (Writing Club)

#### *Second Wednesday*

**September 12, October 10,**

**November 14**

**3:00-4:00 pm**

Do you have a short story, poem or even a novel you have been working on but need a little help or inspiration? Join the AUTHORITY writer's club and write to rule the world!

### Haunted RC Challenge

**Monday, October 29**

**3:30-4:30 pm**

Race RC cars around the obstacle course! Will you crash? Will you win the race? There's only one way to find out! Be there! Bring your own RC or use one of BTPLs.

### Battle of the Books - Middle School Edition

**Wednesday, November 7**

**4:00-5:00 pm**

Please join us for a Battle of the Books Orientation meeting for students in grades 6-8. Join a new team, or bring your own team of 3-5 students with a volunteer coach. We will be reading four books and battling for Book Supremacy! The Big Battle will be Monday, May 20, 2019, 6:00-8:00 pm.

# KIDS PROGRAMS

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## Fall Programs

### Escape the Room: Pirates

Wednesday, September 19

1st group - 4:00-4:20 pm

2nd group 4:25-4:45 pm

Last night someone broke into the Maritime Museum in Portsmouth and stole a rare map! Now the curator, your uncle Milton, is missing. Can you solve the mystery in time to escape the museum, save your uncle, and locate the missing map? Recommended grades K-5.

### Pet Ghost in a Jar

Thursday, October 11

4:00-4:45 pm

Who you gonna call? Ghostcrafters! The ghosts are on the loose and we need your help to contain them before the last stroke of midnight on Halloween. Create a unique jar to bottle a ghost and take him to his forever home! Recommended grades K-5.

### Spooky Halloween

### Marshmallow Dippers

Thursday, October 25

4:00-4:45 pm

Have a ghoulish time! Create a spooky spider using pipe cleaners and other materials to race and win a prize. Then enjoy dipping marshmallows in chocolate and spooky sprinkles! Recommended grades K-5.

### Turkey Windsock & Pumpkin Pie in a Cup

Thursday, November 1

4:00-4:45 pm

Gobble, gobble, gobble its turkey time! Create a turkey windsock decoration to hang outside and then enjoy making a delicious mini pumpkin pie concoction. All materials provided. Recommended grades K-5.

### Drive-In Movie and Car Show

Monday, November 12

4:00-6:30 pm

Design and decorate your very own cardboard box car! All materials to be provided! We will be showing "Wreck-It-Ralph" from 4:30-6:30 pm, along with snacks and prizes! Recommended grades K-5.



### Battle of the Books Orientation Meeting grades 4th-6th

Monday, November 12

7:00-7:30 pm

Please join us for a Battle of the Books Orientation meeting for students in grades 4-6. Join a new team, or bring your own team of 3-5 students with a volunteer coach. The big Battle will be Monday, May 6, 2019, 6:00-8:30.

## Fall Youth Programs

Programs run for 10 weeks, beginning September 10, 2018

DAY	PROGRAM	TIMES	AGES
Monday	Movement, Music, and More	11:00-11:30 pm	Birth-3 years
	Open Play	12:00-3:00 pm	Families
	Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtle Club	4:00-4:45 pm	4-7 years
Tuesday	Reading & Rhythm	9:30-10:00 am	Birth-3 years
	Crafty Science: The Wizarding World	4:00-4:45 pm	Grades K-5
Wednesday	Reading & Rhythm	9:30-10:00 am	Birth-3 years
	Preschool Pals	10:15-11:00 am	3-5 years
	Sashabaw Meadows Storytime (In the Clubhouse)	4:30-5:15 pm	Families
Thursday	Preschool Pals	10:15-11:00 am	3-5 years
	"Calendar Mysteries" Book Club Oct 3, Nov 7, Dec 5	4:00-4:45 pm	Grades 2-5
	Family Book and Movie Night Sept. 20, Oct. 18	6:30-8:00 pm	Grades 2-5 & Families
	Books Before Bedtime	6:30-7:00 pm	Families
Friday	Preschool Play & Learn	10:15-10:45 am	3-5 years
	Movement, Music, and More	11:00-11:30 am	Birth-3 years
	Open Play	12:00-3:00 pm	Families
Saturday	Super Saturday Stories & Songs 1st Saturday of the month	11:00-11:30 am	Families

# KIDS PROGRAMS

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## Ongoing Programs

All programs are **FREE** and registration begins now. Registration is recommended, as space is limited.

### Movement, Music, and More

**Mondays and Fridays**

**September 10 - November 16**

**11:00-11:30 am**

Dance, sing, play and learn in this action-packed program for children birth-3 years.

### Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtle Club

**Mondays**

**September 10 - November 12**

**4:00-4:45 pm**

Kowabunga Dudes! Join Raphael, Donatello, Leonardo, and Michelangelo for some amazing adventures through stories, movies, and crafts based on the Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles! Turtle. Recommended grades K-5.



### Reading & Rhythm

**Tuesdays and Wednesdays**

**September 11 - November 14**

**9:30-10:00 am**

Cha-cha-cha! Join us for this upbeat class where children ages birth-3 years and caregivers will enjoy stories, songs, finger plays, and playing in the band with Miss Fran!

### Crafty Science: The Wizarding World

**Tuesdays**

**September 11 - November 13**

**4:00-4:45 pm**

Prep those wands and board the Hogwarts Express! Are you ready to master the art of potions, herbology, charms and more? Learn the science behind the magic and create cool Harry Potter inspired crafts. Recommended grades K-5.



### Preschool Pals

**Wednesdays and Thursdays**

**September 12 - November 15**

**10:15-11:00 am**

What do Peppa Pig, Bob the Builder, Doc McStuffins, Paw Patrol, and Curious George have in common? They are characters waiting to be shared with our Brandon Township preschoolers in stories, songs, and simple crafts! Recommended ages 3-5.

### Books Before Bedtime

**Thursdays**

**September 13 - November 15**

**6:30-7:00 pm**

Put on your pajamas and bring a bedtime buddy! Children, stuffed animals, and parents will enjoy stories, songs, and ""starry night"" activities with Miss Fran. What better way to wind down and prepare for a great night's sleep!

### Sashabaw Meadows Storytime

**Wednesdays**

**September 5 - November 14**

**4:30-5:15 pm**

FREE storytime for students in 1st - 5th grade. Stories, crafts, snacks, and band instruments will be provided at the Clubhouse, located at 4359 Dogwood Blvd, Clarkston, MI 48348. There is also a well-stocked FREE library bookcase, so families can borrow books at any time.

### Calendar Mysteries Book Club

**First Wednesday**

**October 3 and November 7**

**4:00-4:45 pm**

A haunted house! Mysterious neighbors! A lost puppy! Join Bradley, Brian, Nate, and Lucy, in solving the monthly mystery and share in a fun activity after the book discussion. Recommended grades 2-5.

**October 3:** October Ogre

**November 7:** November Night

**December 5:** December Dog.



### Super Saturday Stories & Songs

**First Saturday**

**October 6 and November 3**

**11:00-11:30 am**

Start your Saturday off with a bang... of the cymbals and drums with Miss Fran, the leader of the band! Families will also enjoy stories, a simple craft, or group activity.

### Preschool Play & Learn

**Fridays**

**September 14 - November 16**

**10:15-10:45 am**

Do you like to play? Do you like to learn? Then join us for this exciting program! Miss Fran, Miss Robin, and Miss Mary take turns leading the class in games and activities that revolve around sorting, colors, alphabet, shapes, numbers, and other early learning activities. It is a great way to make new friends, too! Recommended ages 3-5.

## FROM THE DIRECTOR

We are excited about a number of things that are going on at Brandon Library! First, we are presenting our annual "Fall into Your Library" celebration, which is a series of programs and activities designed to entice all of our community members to get or renew a library card and/or explore everything BTPL has to offer. We highlight this during the American Library Association's Library Card Sign up Month because we agree that one of the greatest back-to-school tools our children need to succeed is a library card! Please mark your calendars to join us during that week especially in order to get your free tickets to enter the drawing for wonderful gift baskets for adults, teens, and children!

Also, during our Strategic Planning process earlier in the year, we asked you for feedback on our services, collections, and hours, and you responded in very high numbers. In fact, our consultants commented repeatedly that we had a significant response return—so thank you to all who contributed! Over the next 3-5 years, we will be making changes and enhancing services based on your feedback and suggestions. Stay tuned!

Finally, we encourage schools, daycares, Scouts, homeschoolers, and other community organizations to arrange a library visit—whether it is a one-time adventure or a once a month program, we welcome you! Please contact our Outreach Liaison Librarian, Fran Hotchkiss (248-627-1462 or fhotchkiss@brandonlibrary.org). We hope to see lots of new, as well as beloved, faces at Brandon Library!

– *Rebecca* 248-627-1474  
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## FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY INFORMATION .....

Hello everybody!!! The Friends of the Library have recently undergone some changes! Please welcome Margaret Crockett, Treasurer; Starr Toth, Secretary; and myself as the new FOL President. Former Treasurer, Patty Salter, is still volunteering for FOL and helping us out with the transition. Thanks Patty! We're all looking forward to getting more involved in FOL and supporting our great Library. Also, please note our FOL meeting dates have changed. We will now be meeting the third Tuesday of every other month starting September 18. Please join us! We need your help making the Brandon Township Library programs a continued success!

Thank you, Tom Roberts, FOL President

### 2018 Friends of the Library Officers:

Tom Roberts, President  
Margaret Crockett, Treasurer  
Starr Toth, Secretary

*MEETS ON THE 3RD TUESDAY OF EVERY OTHER MONTH AT 6:00 PM.  
NEXT MEETINGS: SEPTEMBER 18, NOVEMBER 20.*

Complete the membership form below and return it to  
the Circulation Desk at the Library or mail to:  
*Friends of the Brandon Township Public Library, 304 South Street, Ortonville, MI 48462*

## Friends of the Brandon Township Public Library

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Best time to call: \_\_\_\_\_

### Please indicate your interests:

- |  |   |
|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Produce publicity, flyers, signs etc. | <input type="checkbox"/> Become a Friends board member    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Work in the book sale room            | <input type="checkbox"/> Seek out new members for Friends |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Help with special library programs    | <input type="checkbox"/> Donate money to the Library      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Help with fundraising events          |   |