



# 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  
Sunday closed

## Library Board:

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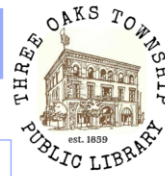
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## 2025 ANNUAL AGES 13+ READING CHALLENGE

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: \_\_\_\_\_



In 2024 ten people completed the Annual Reading Challenge. Congratulations and thank you to everyone who participated.

A New Year means a new challenge! How many will complete the challenge this year? Stop in the library and pick up a form. You have until December 31, 2025, to complete it.

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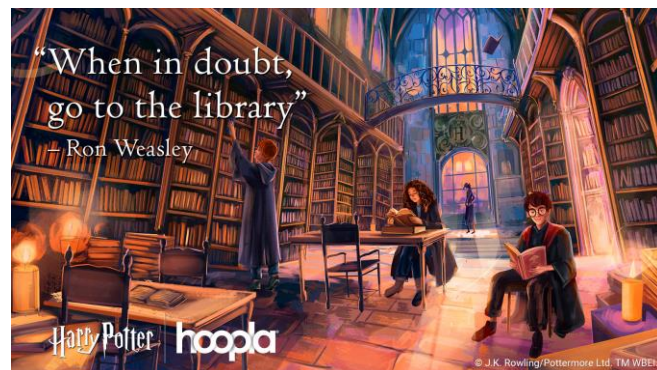
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## Upcoming Events at the Library:

- Every Tuesday: Story Time for all ages, 10:30 – 11:00.
- Every Tuesday: Drop-In Play Doh Play Date at the library, 11:00 – 12:00 noon. Drop in to squish, shape, and roll with our Play Doh. 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.

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

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## 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](http://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:

Jan. 7 @ 12:00 p.m. Noon  
Soldiers of Production:  
Lansing and the Arsenal of  
Democracy

Jan. 15 @ 7:00 p.m.  
Lord Ashfield: King of the  
Detroit Railway

Jan. 21 @ 12:00 p.m. Noon  
Brigades and Dalmatians: A  
History of Firefighting

Jan. 29 @ 7:00 p.m.  
REWIND - Bones to Pick: The  
History of Dentistry

#### And More!

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



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