



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

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FOUNDED IN 1859 – 166 YEARS OF SERVICE!

Make a scene – using Peeps! Love ‘em or hate ‘em, they’re a springtime staple. Let your creativity shine with bunnies, chicks, and more! We’re having a Peeps Diorama Contest at the library!

If you need help getting started, we will have two workshops at the library - Tuesday, March 18, 6-8 pm and Thursday, March 27, 5-8 pm.

You may attend either day, just bring your Peeps and a shoebox! Attendance at a workshop is NOT required for entry into the contest.

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Peeps Diorama Contest
2025

Official Rules & Entry Form

Submission:

Everyone is encouraged to create a shoebox diorama using marshmallow Peeps candy. Submit your diorama and detached entry form below to the Three Oaks Township Public Library between Tuesday, April 1, to Saturday, April 5, 2025. All ages are encouraged to participate but only one entry per person or group will be accepted. NOTE: All entries are due by 2:00 pm on Saturday, April 5, 2025.

Diorama Guidelines:

Dioramas can be submitted in any size shoebox or box of shoebox size. All the characters in your diorama must be Peeps (of any kind and flavor). You may use any other materials necessary to create costumes and to assemble your scene. The contents of your diorama must be secured in order to survive any necessary relocations within the library. Please include the title of your creation on the front of your diorama. All other personal information should be on your entry form. You may attend the Peeps Diorama Workshops on Tuesday, March 18, 6-8 pm or Thursday, March 27, 6-8 pm, but this is not required.



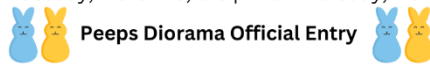
Display:

Dioramas will be on display in the Three Oaks Public Library for two weeks - April 7, 2025 to April 20, 2025.

Judging & Prizes:

Fame, glory, and bragging rites for all and special gifts for category winners. Judging will be based on originality, creative use of Peeps, and overall quality by our esteemed panel of judges.

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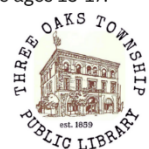
Your Name: _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____

Title of your Peeps Diorama: _____

Choose Your Category (choose only ONE):

- Children's Category (ages 12 & under)
Choose this category if All participants are ages 12 and under and did not receive adult support with the diorama.
- Teen Category (ages 13-17)
Choose this category if ALL participants in the creation of this diorama are ages 13-17. This includes a group of teens.
- Family Category
Choose this category if a family of children and/or teens and adults worked on this diorama together.
- Adult Category
Choose this category if all participants in the creation of this diorama are adults 18+



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Renew your items,
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requests at our online

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Library Catalog

Locate Books, Audiobooks, DVDs, & More!

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



Michigan eLibrary

**The Library
will be closed
when River
Valley Schools
are closed due
to inclement
weather.**

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.
- Tuesday, March 11, 6:00, Friends of the Library Meeting, 6:00. Everyone is invited!
- Tuesday, March 18, Peeps Diorama Workshop, 6:00 – 8:00. Bring your Peeps and a shoebox or shoebox-sized box. Attendance is not required to enter the Peeps Diorama Contest.
- Saturday, March 22, Coastline Children's Film Festival presentation of "Harold and the Purple Crayon," 11:00.
- Thursday, March 27, Peeps Diorama Workshop, 6:00 – 8:00. Bring your Peeps and a shoebox or shoebox-sized box. Attendance is not required to enter the Peeps Diorama Contest.
- April 1-30, Michigan Financial Literacy Month. Free online financial literacy events at: <http://www.mifinancialwellness.org/>
- Saturday, April 26, SW Michigan Writer's Conference at Lincoln Township Public Library, 9 – 3.

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

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



Everyone needs friends and the Three Oaks Library has the very best friends!

The Friends of Three Oaks Township Public Library will meet on Tuesday, March 11, at 6:00 pm in the library's community room and everyone is invited.

This fantastic group of people does so much for our library – providing prizes for reading programs and coffee and tea at our coffee station are just a couple examples.

Please consider attending this meeting, making new friends, and supporting your library.

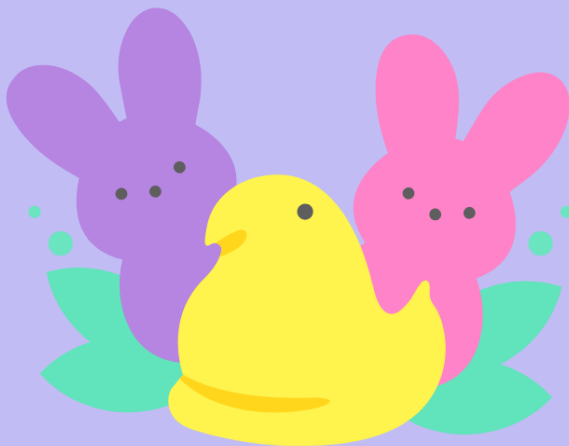
PEEPS DIORAMA WORKSHOPS



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March 18, 6-8 pm

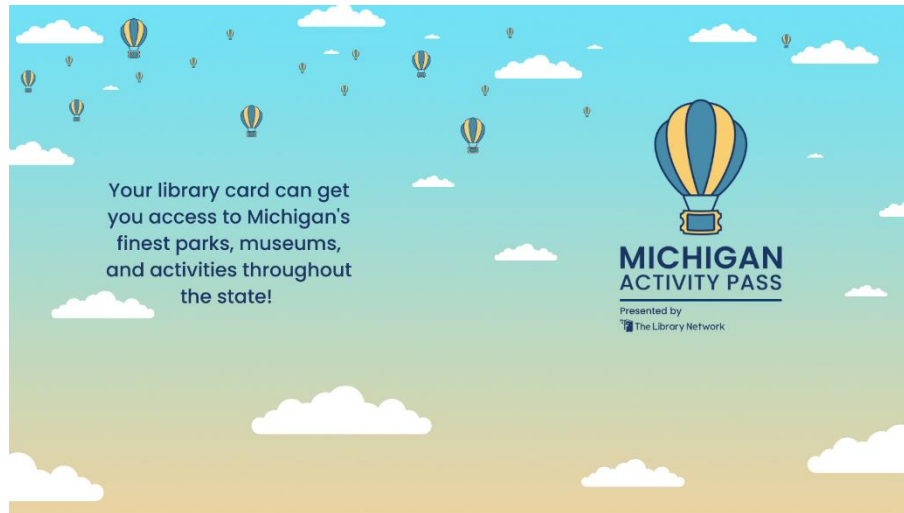
OR

Thursday, March 27,
6-8 pm



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THREE OAKS
TOWNSHIP
PUBLIC LIBRARY



Check it out at: <https://miactivitypass.org/>



Three Oaks Township Public Library is again partnering with Neighborhood Forest to provide free trees for kids to plant during Earth Week.



Parents/guardians, sign your child up for a free tree by March 15th! Sign up using this link: (<https://www.neighborhoodforest.org/parent-registration/?school=17992>). Trees are set to arrive in time for Earth Day 2025. We will be in touch with you regarding when you can come and pick up your tree! 🌳

In 2024 Neighborhood Forest gave away over 67,000 trees and hopes to make it to 100,000 in 2025! #EarthDay2025



Saturday, April 26, 2025
9 am to 3 pm

At the Lincoln Township Public Library
2099 W John Beers Rd, Stevensville MI, 49127

This program is a collaborative effort of:

Niles District Library
Lincoln Township Public Library
St Joseph / Maud Preston Palenske Memorial Library
Eau Claire District Library
Three Oaks Township Public Library
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MOVIE
EVENT

FREE Event Presented by Coastline Children's Film Festival
at Three Oaks Township Public Library
Saturday, March 22, 11:00 a.m.

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. alliance@hsmichigan.org



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:

Feb. 4 @ 12:00 p.m. Noon
Art and Activism: The Life of
Lottie Wilson

Feb. 12 @ 7:00 p.m.
Fieldstone Houses: Building
Blocks of History

Feb. 18 @ 12:00 p.m. Noon
Deer Forest: Wonderland
Memories

Feb. 26 @ 7:00 p.m.
Rivers, Lakes, and Lumber:
Michigan's White Pine

And More!

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:

