This story is filled with the magic, wonder and love of Christmas. Far, far north, when the nights are longest and the stars shine brightest, Santa begins his work. This story has been, and always will be, until the end of the world. He gathers his reindeer, feeds them, and then, with the thrum of magic that makes reindeer fly, he spreads the Christmas joy and warmth throughout the world. For Santa loves them all, and will help you find services and resources that are available in your area. They are accessible 24 hours a day. The call is free and confidential.

Thompson, Lauren

**THE CHRISTMAS MAGIC**

This story is filled with the magic, wonder and love of Christmas. Far, far north, when the nights are longest and the stars shine brightest, Santa begins to prepare for his big night of giving. He gathers his reindeer, feeds them, and polishes his bells and his sled. Then lovingly, he chooses toys for every child in the world. For Santa loves them all and he knows what each child at heart wants most.

**TAKE A LOOK AT TWO OF MY FAVORITE CHRISTMAS PICTURE BOOKS! BEGINNING IN DECEMBER, OUR LARGE DISPLAY UNIT IN THE CHILDREN’S SECTION WILL BE OVERFLOWING WITH WINTER HOLIDAY BOOKS WHICH CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS, HANUKKAH, KWANZAA, AND NEW YEAR’S EVE!**

- **Silvano, Wendi**
  - **TURKEY CLAUS**
  - Turkey is in trouble. Again. He made it through Thanksgiving without becoming a turkey dinner, but now it’s almost Christmas, and guess what’s on the menu? Turkey decides the only thing to do is to ask Santa for help. He sets off for the North Pole, but getting in to see Santa at the North Pole isn’t as easy as Turkey expected. It’s going to take all his ideas and his clever disguises to find a way into Santa’s house. After many hilarious attempts, Turkey comes up with the perfect disguise, and Santa has the perfect solution!

- **Razzle-Dazzle!**
  - **Highlights of the Children’s Collection by Mrs. Reasoner, Children’s Librarian**

**Useful Resources**
- Food, housing, utilities, clothing
- Holiday food baskets and toys
- Mental health resources
- Crisis prevention
- Eviction diversion programs
- Health care and epidemic information
- Addiction
- Domestic abuse
- Services for veterans and seniors
- Plus many other needs

**211.org**
- Dial 2-1-1 or 844-875-9211
- Text your Zip Code to 989211
- Search their website
- Chat with a specialist at 211.org

**Digital News at Tecumseh District Library**

**Winter 2021**

**Shelf Life: Beyond The Stacks**

**During this year we’ve had times of shutdown and partial closure like everyone else, and we’ve encouraged our patrons to make the most of our digital resources. The library has invested in many wonderful digital resources which can be accessed with just a TDL library card and a smart phone, tablet, computer or other device.**

**Overdrive/Libby** is the collection of e-books we access through our Woodlands Library Cooperative. There are hundreds of titles to explore. **Hoopla** is another collection we purchase, with audiobooks, e-books, music, television and movies. Hint: the hoopla collection is smaller but no waiting required!

**Newsbank** is our popular digital source for newspapers. The Ann Arbor News, the Detroit News and the Daily Telegram is another online program for learning languages – at current count they offer 70. Finally, we’ve set up a Digital Station near the History Room for transferring old VHS tapes to flash drives. If you’d like to preserve those old home movies or don’t have a VHS player anymore, make an appointment with one of our staff members who can walk you through the process.

We are proud to offer these digital resources to our community! Our **TPS yearbooks** have been digitized and are available online. We now have digital records for some of our local cemeteries: Brookside Cemetery, McClain Cemetery, Raisin Center Friends Cemetery, Raisin Presbyterian Cemetery and Ridgeway Cemetery. They can be accessed from anywhere through our website. Mango is an online program for learning languages – at current count they offer 70.

**Digital Resources**
- Digital News at Tecumseh District Library
- Digital Resources
- Plus, and Academic Search Complete are just a few of the numerous databases offered by MEL.

**Tecumseh District Library**

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**www.tecumsehlibrary.org**
**(517) 423-2238**

**Hours**
- M-Th 10-8
- F-Sa 10-5
- Su 1-5 (Oct-Apr)

**Closing Dates**
- Christmas Eve Thursday, December 24, 2020
- Christmas Day Friday, December 25, 2020
- New Year’s Eve Monday, December 31, 2020
- New Year’s Day Monday, January 1, 2021
- Martin Luther King Day Monday, January 18, 2021
- President’s Day Monday, February 15, 2021

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**Michigan’s Electronic Library (MEL) is an amazing collection of databases. Consumers Reports Online, NovelList Plus, and Academic Search Complete are**
Meet TDL’s Board of Trustees

Our seven TDL Trustees guide the library as we work to meet the needs of our community. Each Trustee is voted into office in the general election and serves a four year term, unless appointed to fill a vacancy. We’ve had some recent changes: Trustee Pam Bunch has completed her term and is stepping down, and Debbie Gilbey, former TDL Administrative Assistant (now retired), has been in. We appreciate the time and energy that our Board members invest in the library. Their commitment makes us stronger.

In Their Own Words….

Jane Poczatek, President

"When I joined the board in 2013, I wanted to be a Trustee because I had a passion for reading. I desired to work with people who share that passion and who inspire it in others. As time passed, however, my passion grew to include library advocacy and a deep commitment to ensure that our library policies and annual budget provide our Director with the resources she needs to make TDL a welcoming community resource for everyone. I truly love being part of this Board and working with my fellow trustees, the staff, and the Friends group.”

Heather Burdick, Vice President

“I have a great respect for libraries, and believe that a library is an integral part of any community. The Tecumseh District Library is also special in its own right, as the Staff and Friends are hardworking, friendly, and always willing to help. I wanted to be part of that, and felt that the best way I could help was to become a member of the Board of Trustees.”

Judy Prater, Treasurer

“I have always been interested in local libraries and the services they offer to their communities. When I was approached to run for a Tecumseh District Library Trustee position, I knew it was the perfect opportunity to be part of a great asset to Tecumseh! I feel fortunate to be able to help execute the new Strategic Plan and support the very dedicated TDL Director and Staff!”

Carma Roesch, Secretary

“I have been on the library board for six years and will continue for four more years at least. I am a school librarian and being on the public library board has been so much fun! I hope to get back into the library soon and see everyone.”

Pam Bunch

“Serving on the TDL Library Board has been very rewarding, allowing me to support and enhance a community gem and resource that I’ve used all my life. I’ve enjoyed working with this dedicated and talented Board, people who share that love for our library.”

Matt Linke

“For the past 34 years I have been a member of the staff of the U-M Museum of Natural History. My wife and I moved here in 1999, after eleven years in Ann Arbor. We found the Library here almost right away and also found that it needed to be upgraded in various ways. I also found soon, that there was no Friends group at that time, but that one was forming. I joined sometime later. Still later, I realized that some of my interests were tied to the Trustees. I met with the then Director and then President of the Trustees, and decided that the Board was a good fit for my interests in the Library. In addition to attending, I served two terms as Board Secretary. Over the years, I served other terms and was involved in two large renovations. The needs and challenges of the Library have continued to drive my interests—and the needs and benefits of the community.”

Lisa Hart

“Serving on the Board for the past two years has been a privilege. I have loved the library since I moved here more than 30 years ago. It is truly a valuable asset to Tecumseh and the surrounding towns that make up the district. Since I have joined the Board, I have learned a great deal about how the library operates, and am very impressed by the director and staff and their efforts at serving the community. I am proud to work with the other trustees who all volunteer their time and talents to help make the library a success.”

Debbie Gilbey

“I am very pleased and excited to be joining the Tecumseh District Library Board of Trustees. Having recently retired from TDL after 9 1/2 years, I want to continue to contribute to the success of our wonderful library. I am looking forward to getting started in January!”

Thank you to the following donors for your contributions in the last quarter:

- Premier Bank
- Kiwanis Club of Tecumseh
- James and Doris Cubberly American Legion Auxiliary
- David M. Finnegan

The Friends of the Tecumseh District Library have a new look at their Corner Bookshoppe!

**Prices**

- Children’s books $2.50
- Paperbacks $.50
- Hardcovers/Trade Paperbacks $1.00
- DVDs $1.00
- CDs $1.00

(Please bring small bills since library staff is not able to make change.)

The Corner Bookshop is open whenever the library building is open. Funds raised from the sale of these books are used to support the library.

Thank you to our wonderful Friends Of Tecumseh District Library for their continuing support of the library! We hope you enjoy their new Corner Bookshoppe!

Are the things you’re hearing true?

These websites help sort facts from misinformation.

Check news stories:
- AP Fact Check - apnews.com/hub/ap-fact-check
- Politifact - politifact.com
- SciCheck - factcheck.org/scicheck

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- Snopes - snopes.com
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