

- First and foremost, we are incredible sad to announce that our only Heritage Room staff person, David Renshaw, passed away the morning of Sunday, April 19. We will miss him greatly. Dave possessed a huge trove of knowledge that we are unlikely to ever be able to replace.
- We now have several new Heritage Room volunteers. I will be working closely with the CPL board on filling David Renshaw's position.
- Laurie Rosenburg has begun a volunteer digitization project in the Heritage Room.
- After doing our second round of interviews for the Public Services Librarian position, we offered the position to our best candidate. Unfortunately declined our offer due to the fact that her husband has accepted a position in Washington D.C.
- I've been working with Karl Butterer at Foster Swift on our Personnel Policy manual and our Harassment Policy.
- On April 7, I met with Kristi Angelo from the Michigan State Police. If approved, they would be happy to do a demonstration of ALICE (Alert, Lockdown, Inform, Counter and Evacuate) for our staff at our staff in-service.
- The state troopers also did a security walk-through of the building. They made several suggestions which will we will investigate and possible implement over the next few months.
- I have also been working with the Michigan Red Cross to provide hands only CPR, first-aid and AED training to staff at our in-service.
- On March 19, I met with Brian Kerspilo and Elaine Schultz regarding our application to the Sunrise Rotary.
- We will be hiring at least one new library clerk.
- I am very happy with our new evening IT Assistant. We now have several patrons who have asked when she works, so they can come while she's here. She's also proven to be very adept at learning new things. We had her sub in Kids' Place on the 15<sup>th</sup>, and it went very well. I plan to continue to have her trained in different areas of the library.
- I have began taking Arabic lessons from Mugeeb. This is something I have wanted to do for a long time. I feel it will help us be able to communicate with the local community better, and may also aid us in earning the respect of the children who use the library.
- We have our registration completed for the 2015 Branch County Fair. This is by far our most popular outreach activity. Each year we have hundreds of Branch County residents visit our booth for information, games, prizes and even to register for a library card.
- On Friday, March 28, I visited the Bronson and Algansee Branches.

Respectfully Submitted,

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