

CROMAINE WISH LIST JANUARY 2018-DECEMBER 2018

- \$3,750** **Summer Reading 2018.** The summer of 2018's theme is all about music. In addition to the myriad great enrichment activities offered, we plan to kick off the summer with a great kids-targeted concert and Guy Louis really fits the bill.
- \$2,000** **2018's UN-Big Read of "True Grit" by Charles Portis.** This year the Arts Midwest/National Endowment for the Arts did not include Cromaine Library in their 2018 awardees. A phone conference indicated that the biggest reason we were not awarded was two-fold—we had too many events which were on the "popular and fun" (not scholarly) side and (because of so many events total) the formatting was not what they would have liked to see. However, we were given permission to call it the "UN-Big Read" and our Arts Midwest contact is excited to see us proceed. How could we not after the community chose "True Grit?" Already planned is a return of Dr. Stephen Rachman from MSU for two entertaining talks, kick-off music with Tim Twiss, Neil Woodward as the first concert of the Second Sunday Concert series, and, with your help, free books.
- \$500** **Livingston Reads 2018.** This year's book is "Murder on the Orient Express" by Agatha Christie. The Historic Howell Theater has already been booked for a countywide showing of (we hope) the newest version with Johnny Depp (or the older one if not available yet to the theater), and staff lobbied to get this one to be the choice because of so many great opportunities. The Great Foodini is already booked for an Orient Express-themed menu and the Second Sunday Concert Series performer is Ara Topouzian with the music of Armenia and the Middle East—what was called the Orient in Christie's time.
- \$2,500** **Summer Music.** This is the TENTH summer music series and an incredible line-up is already in place! This year will be on the south lawn with the Hartland Music Hall for weather back up. This is also the most expensive season we've offered, so more support is requested.
- \$250** **Jeanne Smith's Teen Volunteer Scholarship.** This has resulted in a huge interest in teen volunteering at the library after school. We continue to honor and be grateful for Jeanne Smith's past leadership at Cromaine.
- \$250** **Grant Sweet Memorial Essay contest.** This is an amazing opportunity for students to write, win, but most of all, to hear the stories.
- \$250** **Sallie's Author Visits presents.** Our author has not yet been selected for 2018, but since we pull from those appearing at Kerrytown Bookfest, with the help of Aunt Agatha's Books in Ann Arbor, we know the author will be terrific.
- \$500** **Technology Supplies.** We rarely request physical items in the Wish Lists. However, we are embracing a lot of new technologies and new ways of communicating on social media. This gift will purchase the equipment needed to do some Live Facebook and video for the web site, including promoting the Friends Book and Bake Sales!
- \$500** **Tween Reupholstery.** This is the pass-through of the results of the Mackle's Table and Taps fundraiser which was greatly enhanced by Mackle's.
- \$10,000** **Total for Events and Activities.** For all of these events you are included in the sponsorship material, included in the messages given before the event, and memberships and sales are consistently promoted.