

CROMAINE WISH LIST
JANUARY 2016-DECEMBER 2016

- \$5,000** **Big Read 2016.** This year the title is “Call of the Wild.” While there is no possibility of having the author Jack London join us, we are able to bring one of his biographers, author of a book for young adults. This year due to the low cost of this classic, we will be able to donate 350 copies to the high school and all of the tenth grade is reading the book. We have not had that level of collaboration with the school since “To Kill a Mockingbird!” This could not happen without your support upon which we count.
(INVOICED 2-4-16)
- \$3,000** **Summer Reading 2016.** Our numbers last year were great. Several programs filled within minutes of registration opening and we offered more sessions when possible. FOUR Harry Potter Camps were held, thanks to an incredible gift from a lottery-winning patron (which is unlikely to be repeated). Plus, we collaborated with Brighton and Howell to offer the first-ever Livingston County mini comic con, LibCon, which has since gained statewide and national attention! You make the difference in quality programming. This summer the theme is Wellness and Fitness. Think SPORTS!
- \$250** **Livingston Reads 2016.** This year’s book is “The Martian.” Chosen by the public through a survey, this book was made into a movie with Matt Damon that is getting an incredible amount of attention and considered for Oscars. Longway Planetarium will come to talk about the newest discoveries about Mars; we have a six-library skype conference with the author, and more. (INVOICED 2-4-16)
- \$2,500** **Big Read 2017.** We plan to read Louise Erdrich’s “Love Medicine” in November 2016. This is an earlier Big Read than in past years and even more condensed into a brief four-week series. Because of all the activity in spring 2017—closing Crossroads, opening the new Village space, the 90th anniversary of the 1927 building—we moved and reduced the Big Read to fall 2016. Contingent, of course, on funding by the NEA.
- \$1,000** **Summer Music.** This summer music is a different approach due to the anticipated construction on our south lawn making our electrical access nil. We’ve been invited to be part of a new community event, a summertime carnival and “fest” planned for the July 4 weekend. While Cromaine is closed that weekend, we believe we can offer a major concert on June 30 to help kick-off the weekend. This funding will support that.
- \$250** **Jeanne Smith’s Teen Volunteer Scholarship.** This is a new request that will recognize the incredible growth of the teen volunteer program at Cromaine prior to Jeanne’s retirement. We already have committed matching funds from the community for this.
- \$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 2016, 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.
- \$12,500** **Total.** 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. They are listed in priority order. The Big Read is listed as the highest priority since our grant requires matching funds from the community served.

