** The *Work* Place. The *Study* Place.**

 **The *Reading* Place. The *Movie* Place.**

 **The *Research* Place. The *Story* Place. The *Learning* Place.**

 **How is the Leland Township Library *YOUR* *PLACE?***

**November 15, 2014**

**Dear Library Patron,**

**The Leland Library is a vital, well-run organization that serves as an intellectual and social center for residents and visitors alike. You know that because you are one of the 37,500 patrons who used the library last year. You also know our staff does an outstanding job, and our volunteers (who donate over 7500 work hours each year) are a big part of what makes us unique and so important to our community.**

**What you might not know is that local taxes provide only 56% of our annual operating budget, and we need your help to provide general operating funds. The Friends of the Leland Library work to secure the private support that makes up the difference. Donations to the Friends Annual Fund have provided help with:**

* **Our dynamic and robust collection of new books, magazines, movies, and digital media**
* **Technology staff who provide in-house assistance with your tablets, computers and phones as well as keeping our library technology consistent with the 21st century**
* **Public access computers and WIFI access**
* **Early childhood and family programming**
* **Educational classes and seminars**
* **Maintenance and caretaking of our beautiful building and grounds**

**This year’s goal is $53,000, and thanks to several generous donors we have a good start. Please join with us; you’ll make a difference and help boost library operations. Your support will help position us to provide the quality library materials and service you deserve.**

**We’ve enclosed a donation form and envelope for your convenience. We hope you’ll use it; but if you prefer, we have an on-line donation form on our website (**[**www.lelandtownshiplibrary.michlibrary.org**](http://www.lelandtownshiplibrary.michlibrary.org)**) or you can scan the QR code below and go directly to our website.**

**Become a part of a community of friends. Make a difference--support the library.**

**Jay Littell Sharon Stein Susann Schaberg**

**President Secretary Treasurer**

 ***the Friends of Leland township library is a 501c(3) organization*. **