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Stark County District Library North Branch to Hold Time Banking Discussion

(Canton, Ohio)-October 23, 2014 –Time banking is a community program where participants exchange skills, talents, and passions for a time credit, which may then, in turn, be exchanged for needed services offered by others involved in the time bank. The concept is catching on nationwide. Learn more about time banking at the Stark County District Library North Branch, 189 25th Street, NW, Canton, Ohio, at a discussion on Thursday, October 30, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. Tom Phillips, executive director of the Stark County Community Timebank, will explain how the concept works and talk about how to get involved. Registration is requested by calling 330-456-4356 or online at www.thesmartstore.org/events/show.

The Stark County Community Timebank, a regional hub of the Crooked River Alliance of Timebanks, is the fifth most active time bank in the country. While similar to bartering, time banking uses unites of time as currency. Monthly meetings as well as food swaps are held locally. The primary purpose of time banking is to help people exchange time and skills, and to rediscover a sense of community. Further information may be found at www.crookedriver.timebanks.org.

About the Library:

The [Stark County District Library](http://www.thesmartstore.org) is a winner of the [National Medal](#) for library service, is one of the best 100 libraries in the U.S. according to the [HAPLR](#) rating, and is a [Library Journal 5 Star library](#). Its Main Library, nine Branch Libraries, and two Bookmobiles and two Kidmobiles serve 150,000 library card holders. More than 1.4 million people visit the Stark County District Library each year, holdings number 884,000 items, and annual circulation is 3.6 million items. The collection includes books, audio visual materials, and periodicals for all ages. In addition, the Library provides programs and classes for adults, teens, and children, computer and Internet access, a downloadable collection of books and music, genealogy services, traveling collections on Bookmobiles and Kidmobiles, as well as outreach services to shut-ins, nursing homes, and housing units. It is one of the nine largest library systems in the state of Ohio, serving 12 local school districts. For more information, call 330-452-0665 or visit www.thesmartstore.org.

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