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From The Director

Summer 2015

Hello, everyone!

June will mark my first year here as director of the Romeo District Library. The last year has held many challenges and changes for me, both personally and professionally. I've enjoyed getting to know the library staff, our town, and the surrounding communities; riding on the bike trail; increasing my skills and education as a director; and becoming a first-time father to a lovely little girl.

Romeo District Library Library Director John McNaughton

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Board of Trustees UNMASK Meeting Dates June 10th 6:30 pm

I also want to get to know you, dedicated library patron, and you, casual community user! Improving customer service remains my number one passion. Thanks in part to your suggestions, we have made many changes to better meet your needs: we have increased our emphasis on new release books, movies, and games and extended checkout times and added an extra renewal period. Our new services include the launch of our digital branch, RDL 24/7, and a tech tutor program for one-on-one technology training, with more to come.

We have many ideas we want to implement, but during this process, I want to hear from you! What do you want to see in the coming year? How can we change to better meet your needs? What programs and services would you suggest? Please write me, call, or drop by. My door is open and I'd like to meet you and hear your suggestions.

John McNaughton Dan Detkowski Library Director

Trustee JOIN ONE OF OUR SUMMER READING CLUBS Bill Grandstaff FVERY HERO HAS A STORY

BIRTH - 5TH GRADE BEGINS THURSDAY, JUNE 18

GRADES 6 - 12 BEGINS MONDAY, JUNE 15

July 8th 6:30 pm ESCAPE THE ORDINARY

August 12th 6:30 pm 18 AND OLDER BEGINS MONDAY, JUNE 15



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such as Overdrive, Hoopla, Freegal and Zinio. To learn more or if you need assistance please contact the library, RDL247@romeodistrictlibrary.org or 586-752-0603, ext. 101 and we will be happy to help.

Graubner Library

Adult Programs

Michigan War Dog Memorial: History of the War Dog

Thursday July 16th 7:00 pm

Military war dogs have been fighting alongside our men and women in uniform in many United States conflicts. Come join U.S. Army Veteran Philip Weitlauf, Director of the Michigan War Dog Memorial, and his K-9 Ziva to learn about this fascinating history of military working dogs.



A Wee Bit O' Scotland

Wednesday, July 22nd 7:00 pm



Bagpipes, a few dance steps, Scottish stories and entertaining facts, fill a "family friendly" presentation, featuring Piper Kim Johnson. Kim shares her love for her heritage and hobby, as she demonstrates and entertains you with a variety of bagpipes and a sampling of pipe tunes. You'll hear fascinating fun details about her piping attire, as well as a brief history of the bagpipes and other interesting Scottish history and folklore. All ages are

welcome to join Kim in a simple kilt swinging Highland dance. Audience participation is encouraged! Practice your brogue, buckle your kilt, don your tam or wrap yourself in your finest tartan shawl, and come enjoy an hour in the Highlands! Kim, a Troy MI resident and mother of 6, is a professional piper and has piped for over 30 years with the competitive and award winning pipe band, Michigan Scottish Pipes and Drums.

History of Belle Isle

Wednesday, August 5th 7:00 pm

Come join us and sit back in your favorite 1920s bathing suit, throw on a good record and enjoy an egg salad sandwich on the fender of your Model T as historian and employee of Belle Isle, Steve Mrozek brings to life the fascinating history of beautiful Belle Isle. From it's early days to it's current status as a Michigan State park, you'll get a true insider's view.



American Red Cross Blood Drive

Thursday, August 13th 2:00 pm

Afraid of needles? You are not alone. Many people share that fear but find that they can still give blood. What most say is that the slight initial pinch pales in comparison to the feeling of accomplishment they get at the end of a successful donation! Focus on the lives you may be helping to save by donating blood. By giving a single pint of blood you may help save as many as three lives. You will feel just a slight pinch and it's over in seconds. The difference you can make may last a lifetime. So come on out to the library or make an appointment. It's that easy to save a life! To register for an appointment call the Graubner Library (586) 752-0603 opt. 4 or go to http://www.redcrossblood.org





Graubner Library

Teen Programs



Superhero Academy: Mask Making & Secret Identities

Thursday June 25th 7:00 pm

Protect your secret identity with a superhero mask. Come design and create your own unique mask. Once your mask is complete it will be time to create a secret identity. Event is for grades 6 to 12. Registration is required as space is limited. Supplies will be provided at no cost by the Library.

Ordinary Heroes by the United States Air Force

Saturday July 11th 2:30 pm

Come out for an afternoon discussion on ordinary heroes presented by Senior Master Sgt. Jeannie Robinson from the 127th Logistics Readiness Squadron. This is a free and open to all ages event.



Attack of the Bristlebots!

Thursday July 23rd 7:00 pm

Come save the Library from evil robots by building your very own Bristlebots! Bristlebots are small robots built on the head of a toothbrush. Event is for grades 6 to 12. Registration required as space is limited. Supplies will be provided at no cost by the Library.



Comic Book Magnets

Wednesday July 29th 7:00 pm

Turn some of your favorite comic book images into magnets for your school locker. Event is for grades 6-12. Registration required as space is limited. Supplies will be provided at no cost by the Library.

Superhero Murder Mystery Pizza Party

Saturday August 1st 1:30 pm – 4:30 pm It's the first ever superhero/supervillain peace convention, a step toward bringing crime and vigilantism under control. Yet, when one of the supervillains is found murdered on the rooftop of the convention building, the world's hope for peace is shattered and it is up to the superheroes, as well as their villainous enemies, to discover the murderer in their midst. Pizza will be provided by the Library at no cost. Event is limited to 18 players and is for grades 6 to 12. Registration required.

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Children's Programs Science Wonders with Dominic

Drummunity

Thursday June 18th 6:30 pm & 7:15 pm



Lori Fithian, drum circle facilitator and workshop leader, will bring her collection of hand drums and percussion toys to your location to transform your community Into a "Drummunity" - a word she invented for the community-building that happens when people come together around a circle of drums. There will be two shows on June 18, 2015, 6:30 p.m. and 7:15 p.m. Tickets for the show will be available on Tuesday. June 16 in the children's room.

Thrilling Thursdays

Thursdays June 25 - July 30 2:00 pm



We kick-off Thrilling Thursdays with Mad Science of Detroit and their Superhero Science. June 25th at 2:00 p.m.

Battle of the Books, the Family Battle

Every Monday in July 2:00 pm Join us in being the first library in the nation to have Battle of the Books: Family Edition.

Drop-in Story Time

Every Tuesday in July 2:00 pm Fun for the whole family.

Super Toddlers!

Every Wednesday in July 10:00 am Come and explore with us! Join us for an hour of stories, rhymes, and interactive activities for Toddlers, ages 2 to 3

Thursday, August 6th 7:00 pm Summer Reading Club closing program. Join us for some hilarious, interactive fun with science.

Last Blast of Summer Week:

Join us for a final of week of summer fun before school starts again!

Monday, August 17 @ 2:30: Pokemon Swap and Share Bring your Pokemon cards and spend an hour swapping cards and information with other Pokemon fans.

Tuesday, August 18 @ 2:00: Storytime (all ages) Join us as we commemorate the end of summer with a special storytime and craft. Families with children of all ages welcome.

Wednesday, August 19 @ 10:00: Toddler Stories and

Join us for a one day revisit of the Super Toddlers program in July. Ages 2-3 1/2.

Thursday, August 20 @ 2:00: Craft Day Multiple craft stations for children of all ages.



Lego Club

Our blocks and your imagination is all you need. So stop by and make something, anything. Saturday, June 20 from 2:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. Saturday, July 18 from 2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.



Pokemon Swap and Share

Bring your Pokemon cards and spend an hour swapping cards and information with other Pokemon fans. Monday, June 29 @ 2:30 Monday, July 27 @ 2:30 Monday, August 17 @ 2:30



Kezar Library

Adult Programs

MI Stitchin' Time Crochet Group

Tuesdays, 5:30 pm

Join us as we share patterns, problems and laughs! Beginners welcome!

Extraordinary Edible Container Gardens

Tuesday, June 23 6:00 pm



Create a feast for your eyes and your plate when a Master Gardener from the MSU Extension program shows us how to make extraordinary edible container gardens! These pots will not only be highly functional but beautiful as well.

1,000 Mile Great Lakes Island Adventure

Tuesday, July 14 6:00 pm



In 2009, Loreen Niewenhuis walked the perimeter of Lake Michigan. In 2012, she took another long journey, covering 1000 miles of shoreline touching all five Great Lakes. Finally, in 2014, she launched off of the shoreline to visit many of the islands of the Great Lakes. In words, photos, and video, you'll explore the geology of the largest system of fresh water lakes in the world and why there are tens of thousands of islands in

the Great Lakes basin. She'll reveal how these islands are diverse in both geological underpinnings and in the life forms existing on the islands. She will also take you along with her to explore some of the scientific research on the islands that she assisted with during her island odyssey. From the wolf-moose study on Isle Royale to the conservation of the endangered piping plover on the Manitou Islands, Niewenhuis will open her audience's eyes and minds to the complexity of life on our Great Lakes islands. Books will be available for purchase and signing.

Murder and Mayhem in Michigan with Tobin Buhk

Thursday, July 9, 6:00 pm

Join us as Michigan true crime author, Tobin Buhk, shares tales from the darker and more insidious side of Michiganders. Meet some of the most notorious fiends in Michigan's history: Northern Peninsula terrors Dan Dunn and Jim Summers, criminal kings of Michigan's wild frontier; Andrew Kehow, the "Michigan Maniac" who engineered the bloodiest school day in US history; Beck and Fernandez, the "Lonely Hearts Killer," and others. Buhk is a freelance author specializing in true crime. To research his first book, Cause of Death, he volunteered in a county morgue, watching as his co-author, Kent County Chief Medical Examiner Dr. Stephen D. Cohle, as he unraveled puzzling forensic mysteries. Books will be available for purchase and signing. http://tobinbuhk.com/

All Day, All Ages Paint Swatch Crafts



Monday, July 27, 10:00am to 7:00 pm What could be more fun than an all-day craft drop in for ALL ages! We will be ready to help you make everything from bookmarks to a mural! Plenty of supplies to keep a kid or adult crafter happy all day! Please feel free to bring in paint swatches and your own ideas as well. Refreshments will be provided throughout the day.

Kezar Library

Children's Programs

Drop-in Storytime

Thursdays 11:15 am

Fingerplays, music and stories to help young children develop an appreciation for and enjoyment of books and reading.

Build and Break Lego Time



Saturday, June 20th 12:00 pm Saturday. July 18th 12:00 pm If you can't make it to Graubner Library for Lego Club join us at the Kezar

Library for Break and Build Lego Time - All creations will be on display for the month!

MORE LEGO! Create-A-Castle

Saturday, July 11th 10:30-am Saturday, July 18th 10:30 am

Join us for two Saturday's in a row when we build a castle fit for a king...or a kid! Drop in and help out or stay the whole time and become a master builder! Building can be done with kids of all ages as we work to create FOUR cardboard castles that will be displayed at the library throughout the summer.

LEGO Moving Vehicles Structured Build

Saturday, August 1st 10:30 am

Join us for a structured build with LEGO enthutiastist Jody, owner of Bricks and Minifigs! All things that go will be built, cars, boats, rockets and more! Get some great tips and learn new tricks. Participants will be allowed to purchase their creation if they wish.

LEGO Free Build

Tuesday, August 11th 6:00 pm

Join us for a freebuild with LEGO enthutiastist Jody, owner of Bricks and Minifigs! Get some great tips and learn new tricks. Play with other LEGO lovers! Participants will be allowed to purchase their creation if they wish.



The Romeo District Library would like to wish Librarian Chuck Schacht a happy retirement. Thank you for your almost 20 years of service to the community and the library Chuck.

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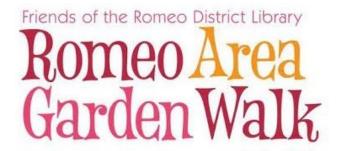
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Friends of the Romeo District Library



The Romeo Area Garden Walk will be on Saturday, July 11 from 10am to 6pm. This annual event is a tour of selected neighborhood and rural gardens and includes a variety of opportunities to enrich our lives with plants, wildlife, art, and literature. Tickets are \$10 and will be available, starting June 15, at Graubner and Kezar libraries, Starkweather Fine Arts Center, and online at romeodistrictlibrary.org/ friends. You can pre-order tickets online now and we will mail them to you on June 15.

Don't forget to also get tickets to the Moonflowers Afterglow, hosted by the Starkweather Fine Arts Center. This is so much more than the party after the Garden Walk! Starting at 6pm, you will experience hometown living at its finest – live music, wine, local brews, and offerings from area restaurants.

We hope you will spend the day with the Friends of the Romeo District Library on July 11! For more details, visit us at romeodistrictlibrary.org/friends or contact Donna at donna.friendsrdl@gmail.com or (248) 736-1649

Hours & Holiday Closings

Graubner Library

Monday - Thursday 9:00 am - 9:00 pm Friday - Saturday 10:00 am - 6:00 pm Sunday - Closed Kezar Library
Monday - Thursday 11:00 am - 7:00 pm
Friday 10:00 am - 6:00 pm
Saturday - 10:00 am - 2:00 pm
Sunday - Closed

Both Branches of the Romeo District Library will be closed on July 4th.