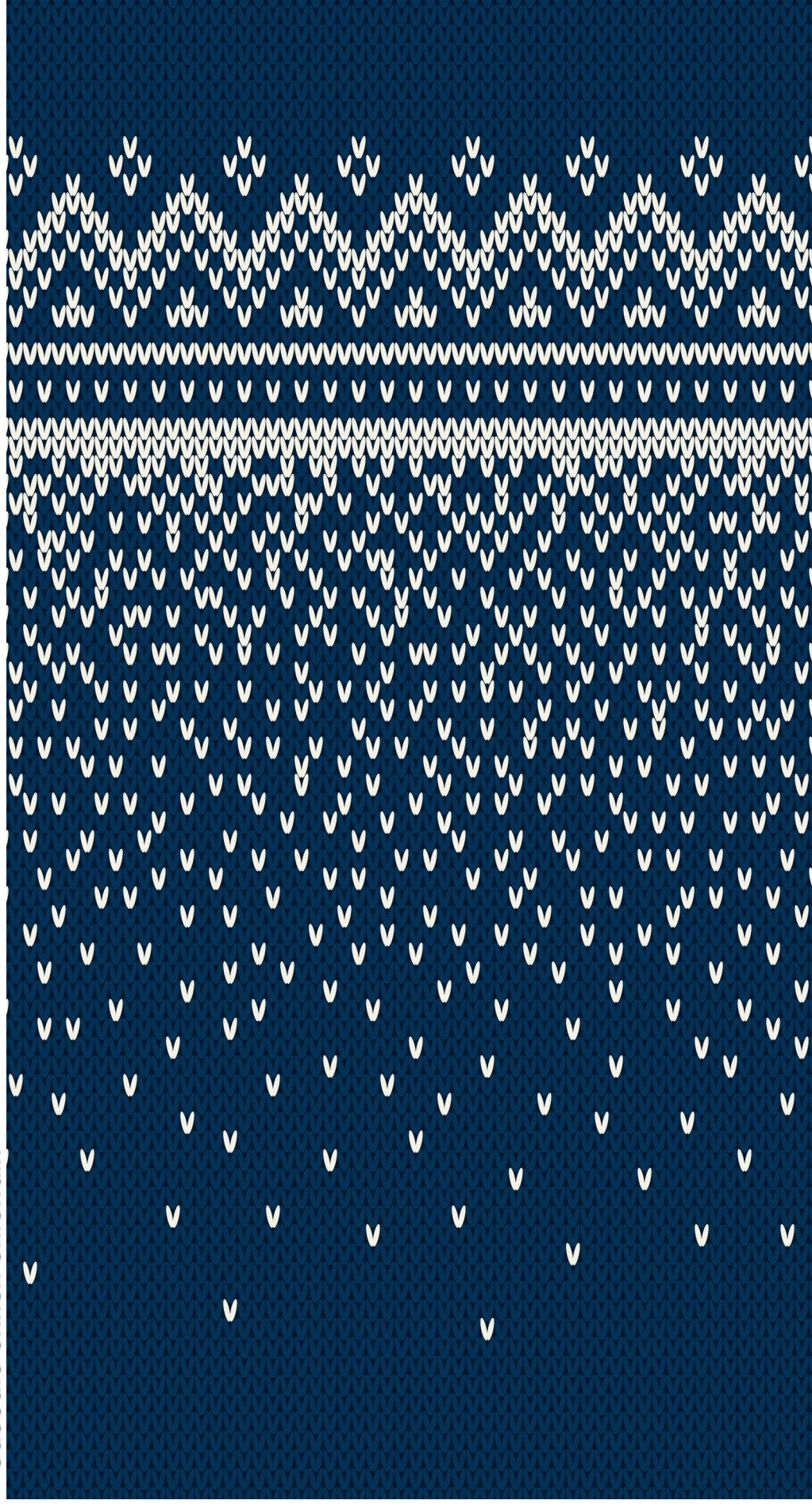




# WINTER 2016



# FROM THE

# TEEN LIBRARIAN



Hello,  
The teen department has been doing very well. Two of the teen programs, Anime Club and Dungeons and Dragons, have become immensely popular. Many of the teens have asked to have multiple meetings a month for these groups. They meet or will meet twice a month now at their request. The Halloween teen lock-in was also a success. The teens had a great time trying to find out who stole

the candy and playing hide and seek afterwards. Overall the teens have been making a positive impact on the library and are a great group.

Exciting things are planned for next year. In order to find out what the teens would like to see in the library, whether it be programs or books, a Teen Advisory Council will be formed for this purpose. Many of the teens have expressed their love of crafts and many fun filled craft activities are planned. Teens will be able to learn the art of ink floating, decorate their own terra cotta pots and plant their own bulbs, and make their own plastic shrink charms. We are also delighted to be having a teen writer's workshop with some local young adult authors. So come join us for these fun events!

**-Therese Bulszewicz Teen Librarian**

# BOOK GROUPS

## Tuesday Book Group

First Tuesday of the Month 1:30 pm Graubner Library

December 6 :The Cuckoo's Calling by Robert Galbraith

January 3: State of Wonder by Ann Patchet

February 7: Title to be announced

## Great Books Book Group

First Thursday of the month 5:45 pm Kezar Library

December 1: *Empire Falls* by Richard Russo

January 5: Title to be announced

February 2: Title to be announced

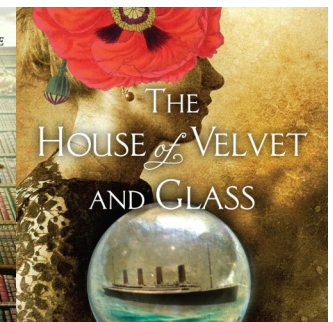
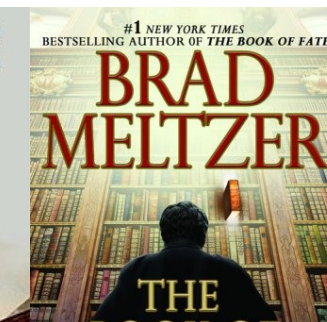
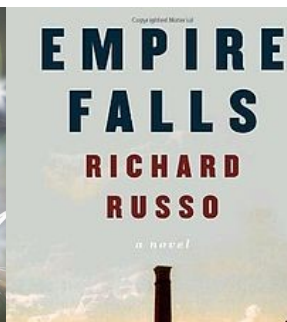
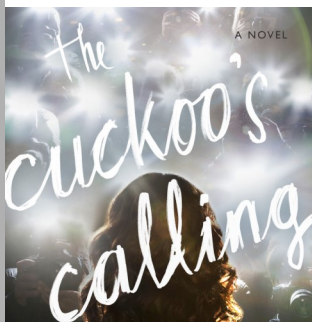
## History's Mysteries Book Group

Third Tuesday of the month 5:45 pm Kezar Library

December 20 – Book of Lies by Brad Meltzer

January 17 – Labyrinth by Kate Mosse

February 21 – The House of Velvet and Glass by Katherine Howe



# Adult Programs

## Trois Bouffons

Thursday December 15th 7:00 pm

Come join us for a holiday treat as the French Colonial band Trois Bouffons puts on a lively concert with a fun mix of music, dance and interactive stories. Guaranteed fun for the whole family! No registration required, but seating is limited.

## Stalingrad-Death of an Army

Wednesday January 25th 7:00 pm

Join us as local historian and German militaria expert, Karl Kithier discusses and brings to life the epic battle for Stalingrad. Follow in the footsteps of the German 6th Army as they are given the task of capturing a large industrial city along the Volga River. Initially, a battle thought to be easily won, it would instead turn itself into a cauldron of death and destruction claiming the lives of hundreds of thousands of men and ultimately paving the way for the complete downfall of the Third Reich. Questions and answers to follow as well as original Eastern Front militaria to study. No registration required.

## Swingin' Chopin

Thursday January 19th 7:00 pm

Enjoy an evening with the sensational band, Swingin' Chopin. Experts in blending classical music with jazz, their unique sound will leave you floating on a cloud of appreciation. Don't miss out, don't be bored at home, come down and join in the fun. No registration required. CDs available for purchase as well.

## Middle Eastern Cuisine

Thursday February 9th 7:00 pm

Experience a bit of the Middle East as local resident, Nisreen Monahan discusses her Chaldean heritage and treats us to various samples of food as eaten in Iraq and throughout the Middle East. There is no charge for this program, but seating will be limited to 25 and registration is required. Call or stop in today.

## Ragtime Piano

Thursday February 23rd 7:00 pm

Matthew Ball, "the Boogie Woogie Kid" is making his much-anticipated return visit. If you missed him before, don't be so unfortunate this time. He is a sensational piano player specializing in Ragtime, Jazz and Swing music of the 20, 30s and 40s. Guaranteed to put a smile on your face and a beat in your soul. No registration required, but get here early because seating is limited.



# Technology Programs

## Cord-Cutters Revisited

January 26th 7:00 pm

Due to popular demand, we will be presenting an updated overview of devices and services for “cord-cutting” - getting rid of cable subscriptions and still seeing the TV shows (or even individual channels) you love! [Q&A to follow, as time permits.]

# Smart TVs: An Overview

February 16th 7:00 pm

For these handy entertainment devices, we will cover features, advantages and disadvantages, state of the industry, and more!

# Teen Programs

# Dungeons and Dragons

Wednesday December 21st 6:30 pm

Wednesday January 4th & 18th 6:30 pm

Wednesday February 1st & 15th 6:30 pm

Come join us as we continue on with our exciting journey into the world of Dungeons & Dragons. No experience is necessary. We will teach you how to play this fun role playing game! Pizza and snacks will be provided. Registration is not required. The fifth edition of the book will be used. For teens ages 12-18.

## Anime Club

Tuesday December 13th & 27th 6:00 pm

Tuesday January 10th & 24th 6:00 pm

Tuesday February 7th & 21st 6:00 pm

Love all things anime? Love reading manga? Then come join the Teen Anime Club! We'll watch anime, do crafts, and eat all the Pocky! Snacks will be provided. For teens ages 12-18. Registration is not required.

## Teen Advisory Council

Tuesday January 17th 6:00 pm

Tuesday February 14th 6:00 pm

If you are looking for service hours for school then come for the Teen Advisory Council! Teens can come and voice their opinions on a variety of library matters and just hang out. Teens will be able to make suggestions for books and upcoming programs. If you have any further questions, please contact the Teen Services Librarian at: [therese@romeodistrictlibrary.org](mailto:therese@romeodistrictlibrary.org) or call 752-0603.

## Teen Crafts

December 7th 6:00 pm Waterless Snow Globes  
January 21st 2:00 pm Ink Floating  
January 28th 2:00 pm Sock Snowmen  
February 22nd 6:00 pm Shrink Charms

Come drop in for some fun, wintry crafts! We will be making things from waterless snow globes, learning the art of ink floating, to making your own shrink charms. All supplies will be provided, just bring your imagination. Please stop by the Adult Services desk or call 586-752-0603 to register.

## Teen Writers Workshop: From Idea to Print

Saturday February 4th 1:00 pm

Learn how to get your novel from concept to completion. Find out the basics from published young adult authors Tracy Bilen, author of "What She Left Behind" and "Watch Your Back", Kristin Bartley Lenz, author of "The Art of Holding On and Letting Go", Sarah Miller, author of "Miss Spitfire", "The Lost Crown" and "The Borden Murders: Lizzie Borden and the Trial of the Century" and Heather Meloche, author of "Ripple". Registration is not required. For teens ages 12-18.

## Tiny Targets

Saturday February 18th 2:00 pm

Have you made and played with paper footballs during class? Who hasn't! Then come and make projectiles and launch them with mini catapults. Registration is not required. For teens ages 12-18.



# Children's Programs

## Storytimes

January 17- February 22

March 14 – April 19

Registration Required Space is limited

**Toddler 18 months to 3 year olds**

**With caregivers**

Tuesdays 2 sessions 10:00 am & 11:00 am

**Preschool 3 to 5 year olds**

**Without caregivers**

Wednesdays 10:30 am

Storytimes generally include stories, rhymes, songs/music, movement and a craft.

## Read to Rover

Every other Tuesday 6:30 pm

If your child is shy reading to humans, let him or her read to a non-judgmental dog! Drop-in

## Music and Me

Fridays Starting January 20th 10:30 am

Music is one of the 5 tools for a good literacy foundation and we'll have all kinds of music to enjoy.

## Crazy Eights Math

Wednesdays starting January 18th

7:00 pm

The return of the craziest most fun Math Club in the world! We'll do lots of whacky things while we learn basic math concepts.

## Rhythm Stars

Saturday December 10th 2:00pm

Rhythm and music in this wonderful holiday program that celebrates multicultural traditions and the comradery of family and friends. Experience the comfort and joy of the season!

## Children's Programs



### New Year's Craft

Wednesday December 28th 10:00 am

Start your New Year right by learning how to make and keep a beautiful journal. Supplies provided.

### Count Down To Noon

Friday December 30th 11:30 am

If your preschooler can't stay up for the new year's eve festivities we'll be counting down to noon with our own celebration!

### Pokemon

Thursday January 12th and March 9th 7:00 pm

Swap your Pokemon cards and, if you're a Pokemon Go player, our library is a gym and we give out free buttons to participants!

### Book Bingo

Saturday January 14th 2:00 pm

Grades 2-5 The clue will be the description of a famous children's book; you find the book on your card. Get 5 in a row and win a prize...a book. What else!

### Penguins!!

Saturday January 28th 10:30 am

We'll read penguin stories, have penguin crafts and sing penguin songs!



### Snow Clay

Thursday February 2nd 7:00 pm

Use wonderful, sparkly, homemade snow clay to sculpt your own figures!



### Shopkins Swap

Saturday February 4th 2:00 pm

Swap your Shopkins while you talk with your friends about them!

### Charlie Brown Valentine's Day

Saturday February 11th 10:30 am

Watch "A Charlie Brown Valentine" hear a couple of Valentine stories and make some Valentines! A great way to remember the ones you love!

### Drop-In Valentine's Crafts

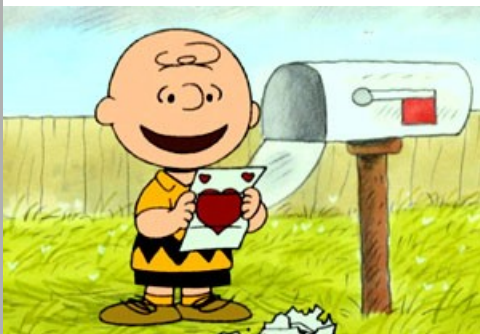
February 13th & 14th All Day

Make your Valentine happy with a beautiful homemade Valentine.

### Build a Blanket Fort

Friday February 24th 5:30pm

Bring blankets and pillows to make a fort where you can read and relax!



## Kezar All Ages Winter Reading Program

January 2nd to February 28th

Join us for something new! Kezar will be hosting our first annual winter reading program! While the format and season may be a little different, one thing is the same! The enjoyment of reading a good book!! Drop into Kezar to get your reading bingo sheet for ages 2-7, 8-12 and 13-99! Get a bingo and be win a prize in your age category! Every bingo gets you entered into the grand prize drawing for your age group! All bingo sheets must be turned into to Kezar.



## Adult Programs

### MI Stitchin' Time Crochet Group

Every Tuesday 5:30 pm

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

### Current Topics and Trends Discussion Group

January 26th & February 23 6:00 pm

This group will respectfully discuss current topics of the day, such as politics, social issues, popular culture, local events and more. We are open to all who are willing to learn and listen, read and discuss and are open to all ages.



## Children's Programs

### Drop-in Storytime

Every Thursday 11:30 am

Fingerplays, music and stories to help young children develop an appreciation for and enjoyment of books and reading. Also helps caregivers learn how they can enjoy their roles more and be more effective.

### Saturday STEAM

December 10th, January 21st and February 18th 12:00 pm

When kids explore, create and experiment in an informal learning environment, like the library, they learn a lot - and have fun at the same time. Join us for activities that will inspire and motivate kids with fun, hands-on learning activities.

### Build and Break Lego

Saturday December 17th, January 14th and February 11th 11:00 am

Attention all young Lego builders! Join us at the Kezar Library for Break and Build Lego Time - All creations will be on display for the month!

### Annual Kezar Christmas Extravaganza!

December 13th 6:00 pm

It's the most wonderful time of the year! Join us for our annual Christmas celebration. Decorate and enjoy Christmas cookies, enjoy holiday music, make a craft, play games, write and send a letter to the north pole and of course sit and talk with Santa! All ages are welcome. Parents don't forget your cameras!



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# FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

## GET TO KNOW YOUR BOOK STORES



We recommend Friends Book Stores for your holiday shopping! Kezar Book Store is located in the west area of the Kezar Branch Library; the Graubner Book Store is located in the lobby of Graubner Library. Regular prices range from 2 for \$1 for children's books to \$3 each for hard cover books in good condition. Book sales, generally lasting 1-3 weeks, deeply discount even these low prices.

Donation of your gently-used books helps raise funds to support library programs and improvements. We also stock a number of books that have been removed from Library shelves to make room for new acquisitions. The book stores are restocked and maintained by volunteers. But, the day to day operation of the book stores is only possible because of Romeo District Library's terrific circulation desk staff who manage sales – we are so grateful for their generous partnership!

Not all books are sold. The Friends donate many books to organizations that distribute them to people who need them. Examples include Samaritan House and Military Moms. We stock book shelves at senior centers and little free libraries. Books that are in too poor condition to use are always recycled responsibly. We never send books to the landfill!

## HOLIDAY FUNDRAISER

These adorable snowpeople, made by volunteers, are popping up at the Kezar and Graubner Book Stores. You can take yours home for a \$10 donation that will help support the Romeo District Library! For more information, contact us at [friends@romeodistrictlibrary.org](mailto:friends@romeodistrictlibrary.org).



**Graubner Library**  
**65821 Van Dyke**  
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**(586)752-0603**

**Monday - Thursday 9:00 am - 9:00 pm**  
**Friday - Saturday 10:00 am - 6:00 pm**  
**Sunday - 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm**

**Kezar Library**  
**107 Church St.**  
**Romeo, MI 48065**  
**(586)752-2583**

**Monday - Thursday 11:00 am - 7:00 pm**  
**Friday 10:00 am - 6:00 pm**  
**Saturday - 10:00 am - 2:00 pm**

**Library Closing Dates: December 24th, 25th and 31st / January 1st and 2nd**