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WINTER 2019



From the Director - Winter 2019

It may be hard to believe, but it has been almost two decades since the Graubner Library first opened its doors. In that time, our community has used the library well and often, so it is time for some updates. This February, we will have the children's room remodeled. Our design concept for the remodel is woodland themed and will include the repurposing of our wooden trees into a new information desk. We will be getting new carpet and more seating, rearranging the bookshelves, adding space for babies and toddlers, and improving the technology available to our users. The project is going to be a big one, so we will not be having programs at Graubner Library in February—Kezar will still have some great programs during the month. For a short period we will also have limited access to children's materials, with some of our collection temporarily housed in the meeting room during the renovation. We know, once you have seen the finished product, you will think it is all worth it!

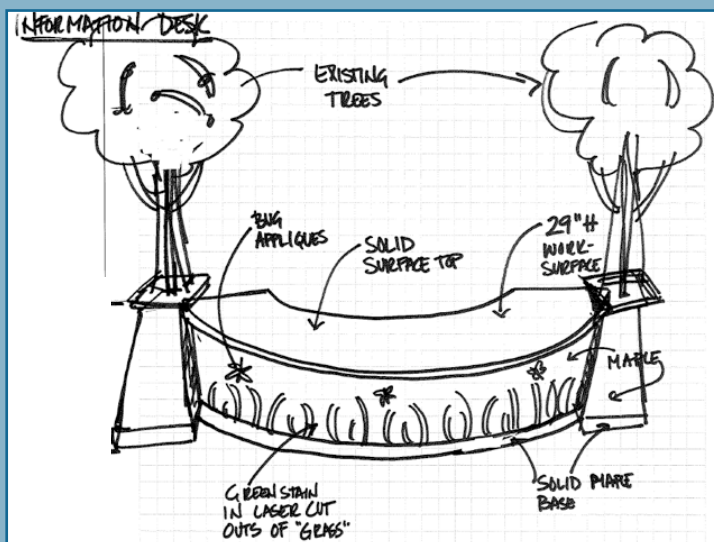


Once the children's room is complete, our focus will shift to the teen and adult departments. Our hope is that the renovation of the east end of the building will take place before the end of 2019. We are focusing on improving the ways we serve our users and making sure that the library is a welcoming place where you can find what you need and stay for a while.

We realize that all of this activity will mean a disruption in services and some hassle for our users and employees, but we know the results will be worth it. We will be sharing more information on social media and in the lobby as we get closer to the project, but I thought it was important for you to know what you can expect well in advance.

Thank you for your patience and continued support. If you have any questions, my door is always open. Please contact me with ideas and suggestions.

Claire Lopiccio, Library Director
Email me: claire@romeodistrictlibrary.org



Our new Children's Information Desk includes our repurposed trees and employs design features evoking a woodland environment that will invite young patrons to explore the library and the natural world.



Another fun element of the design will be the transformation of our structural columns into canopy trees, like this one, to produce an inviting and engaging forest atmosphere in our new Children's Room.

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Adult Programs

Holiday Snowman Book Craft

Thursday December 20th 6:30pm

Ever wonder what can be done with your worn out books? Don't throw them out! Come and see one crafty way to make use of your old books. Brought to you by the Friends of the Romeo District Library, these cute Snowman Books will help you make old things new. Supplies provided, **but if you have your own glue gun, please bring it.** Class size is limited and registration required. So, call 586-752-0603 to register.



It's Not What You Think: The Life of a Female Private Investigator

Thursday January 10th 7:00 pm

Tracking people down and following a trail to the end of a mystery can be dangerous—but also humorous, at times. Sharing experiences from a 30 year career as a private investigator, Cecilia Bouchard will recount some of the interesting tales and adventures she has collected into a book about her life as a trailblazing female PI.

Graubner Library Tuesday Book Group

First Tuesday of the Month 1:30 pm

December 4th

Turtles All the Way Down by John Green

January 8th

A Man Called Ove by Fredrik Backman

February 5th

Atomic City Girls by Janet Beard

March 5th

The Flight Attendant by Chris Bohjalian



Winter Warm Up Cooking Demo

Thursday January 31st 6:30 pm

Local Chef Francine Salvatore from Pamela's Catering brings us a winter taste treat with samples of warm and hearty soups, stews and perhaps a nice dessert, as well. So, don't despair of the weather and come out to join us. This event is limited to 50 attendees and registration is required. Call 586-752-0603 to register.

Jan Krist and Jim Bizer

Thursday March 7th 7:00 pm

Join local Detroit folk duo Jan Krist and Jim Bizer for an evening of fun and great music. With insightful lyrics, textured harmonies, and an infectious playfulness, you don't want to miss the fun with Jan and Jim.



Tech @ RDL

Library Offerings Overview

Monday December 3rd & February 4th 2:00 pm

How can you take advantage of all we have to offer? Come learn about MeLCat interlibrary lending, e-book services, access to digital magazines and premium websites—including Consumer Reports & our free music app, Freegal!

rdl247.org: Digital Jumpstart Appt.

Mondays 2:00 pm

December 10th, January 14th & February 11th
If you have checked out our digital services (OverDrive, Hoopla Digital, RBdigital & Freegal), but have had trouble using them, you can schedule an appointment to get help with setting up our free apps on your smart-phone or tablet! During this hour block, you can schedule a 10-minute appointment and we'll be happy to help you get started enjoying all the great digital services you library has to offer. Call and register for appointment today!

rdl247.org: Everything eBooks

Monday January 7th 7:00 pm

Come learn about everything related to eBooks which the Library offers, including OverDrive/Libby and Hoopla Digital, our free digital libraries! Registration required.

Notice: If you have tech questions or would like to register for Tech @ RDL programs, visit us at the library, or call (586) 752-0603, then press 4. You may also email us: techtutor@romeodistrictlibrary.org.

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Teen Programs

Notice: Many teen programs require registration to participate. To register, call (586) 752-0603, then press 4.

Pokémon Snow Globe Craft

Saturday December 1st 12:00 - 1:00 pm
Hey teens, let's spread some holiday cheer by making Pokémon snow globes! All materials will be provided. Registration is required. For teens ages 12-18.



Teen Movie Night

Tuesday January 29th 6:00 - 8:00 pm
Avoid the winter blues with hot chocolate and a movie. We will have a hot chocolate station with various toppings available as we watch *Pokemon the Movie: I Choose You!* It's all sure to warm your heart. Registration is not required. For teens ages 12-18.

Teen Craft: De-Stress!!

Tuesday March 5th 6:00 - 7:00 pm
School or life got you feeling stressed out? Then come to the library to decompress! We will be making unicorn slime and stress relief balls. Registration is required. For teens ages 12-18.



Continuing Teen Programs

Teen Cards—*Magic: the Gathering*

Tuesdays December 11th 6:00 - 7:30 pm
Do you play Magic the Gathering? Then bring your Magic cards and we'll provide the space for you and your friends to play. Snacks will be on hand. Registration is not necessary. For teens ages 12-18.

Dungeons and Dragons

Wednesdays 6:30 - 8:30 pm
December 5th & 19th, January 2nd & 23rd, and March 6th

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. This is a parent free environment and is only for teens.

Notice: Registration is appreciated, but you are no longer required to specify which group you wish to join.



Anime Club

Tuesdays 6:00 - 8:00 pm
December 4th & 18th,
January 8th & 22nd, and March 12th

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. No registration required.



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Super Smash Bros Tournament

Saturday December 15th 12:00 - 2:00 pm

Wednesday January 30th 6:00 - 8:00 pm

Hey teens, drop in for some awesome gaming! We can play Super Smash Bros, Pokken Tournament and Mario Kart! Snacks and refreshments will be available. We have multiple controllers—or bring your own Nintendo DS! For teens ages 12-18. No registration required.

Little Explorers

Fridays 11:30 - 12:30 pm

December 14th & January 11th

Get messy with us as we explore with our five senses! We will have a variety of sensory stations with activities such as kinetic sand, water beads, paint, and much more! Clothes may get dirty, so please dress accordingly. Ages 0-5. Registration is *not* required.



Children's Programs

Notice: Registration is required for many Children's Services programs. To register call (586) 752-0603, then press 5 for the Children's department. You may also register for programs in person at the Children's desk.

Storytimes

New Family Storytime

Saturday January 26th 1:00 - 2:00 pm

Bring the whole family for a fun time of stories, songs and crafts! For all ages. No registration required. Stay tuned for more fun Family Storytimes to be announced.

Baby Storytime

Mondays 10:30 - 11:30 am

Ages 0-2 with a caregiver

December 3rd & 10th

January 7th, 14th & 21st

Join us for songs, stories, lap bounces and play time.

Toddler Storytime

Tuesdays 10:30 - 11:30 am Ages 2-3

December 4th & 11th

January 8th, 15th & 22nd

Come for a fun-filled hour with stories, music, movement, and a craft! For children ages 2-3 and a caregiver.

Preschool Storytime

Wednesdays 10:30 - 11:30 am Ages 3-5

December 5th & 12th

January 9th, 16th & 23rd

Join us for an hour of stories, songs, movement and a craft! For children ages 3-5, without a caregiver.

FROM JOHN HUGHES
HOME ALONE
A FAMILY COMEDY WITHOUT THE FAMILY

Home Alone Holiday Celebration

Saturday

December 8th

12:00 - 4:00 pm

Join us as we watch the holiday classic *Home Alone*.

Come dressed in your favorite holiday pajamas, enjoy popcorn and other delicious snacks—and make crafts.

Registration is required for *all* attending this event. For all ages.



KEZAR LIBRARY

Notice: To register for programs at Kezar Library, please call (586) 752-2583.

Adult Programs

MI Crochet Group

Every Tuesday 5:30 pm

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

Romeo Writers Group

3rd Thursday of the month 6:00 pm

Do you enjoy writing? Then come to the Romeo Writers Group. All are welcome and encouraged to bring a short piece of writing to share or just bring your imagination.

Current Topics and Trends Group

Last Thursday of the month 6:00 pm

This group will respectfully discuss current topics of the day, such as politics, social issues, popular culture, local events and more. This group may occasionally have a book or article discussion. We are open to all who are willing to learn and listen, read and discuss.

Annual Kezar

Christmas Celebration

Tuesday December 11th 6:00 - 8:00 pm

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



Estate Planning

Thursday January 17th 6:00 pm

Do you really need a trust? A will may be just fine. If you feel you need to avoid probate, learn the techniques available to you. Estate planning can be hard, let the experts at Financial Freedom House (non-profit) help you make good financial decisions to achieve your goals as they have for many others since 1989.



How the 1960s Changed America

Thursday January 24th 6:00 pm

The 1960s was a decade that changed all aspects of American life, with some great promises—and some tragic failures. We'll look at these promises and failure from the 50 year perspective of today.

What If You Could Outsmart Alzheimer's?

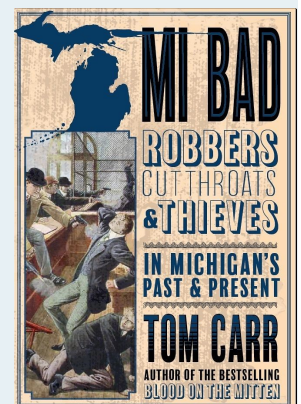
Saturday February 9th 10:30 am

Aging, gender and genetics are all risk factors for getting Alzheimer's that we can't control. But there are many things we can do to improve our general body and brain health—and possibly reduce or delay the development of dementia. This presentation will raise your awareness that you can make a difference in lowering your risks and risk factors for developing Alzheimer's or perhaps at least delay it's onset.

MI Bad: Robbers, Cutthroats and Thieves

Thursday
February 21st
6:00 pm

The Great Lakes State has seen more than its share of shocking crimes in the last two centuries. In his book, *MI Bad: Robbers, Cutthroats and Thieves in Michigan's Past and Present*, Tom Carr shines a light on several of the most infamous rogues and astonishing capers in Michigan history. Train robberies, stage-coach holdups, posses, breakouts and shoot-em-ups will all come to life.



KEZAR LIBRARY

Kezar Library Book Groups

New True Crime Book Group

2nd Thursday of the month 5:45 pm

Begins December 10th

Looking for other true crime aficionados? Interested in reading beyond Ann Rule? Then join us for a brand new book group! From classics in forensic theory to stranger than fiction tales of mayhem, we will be discussing the dark side of the human animal.

January 10th

Blood, Bullets and Bones:

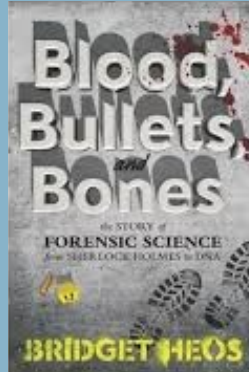
The Story of Forensic Science from Sherlock Holmes to DNA

by Bridget Heos

February 14th

The Suspicions of Mr. Whicher

by Kate Summerscale



Great Books

Book Group

First Thursday of the month

5:45 pm

December 6th

The Wings vs the World

by Jade Chang

January 3rd

Miss Kopp Just Won't Quit

by Amy Stewart

February 7th

TBA

March 1st

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History's Mysteries

Book Group

Third Tuesday of the month

5:45 pm

December 18th

Fever by Mary Beth Keane

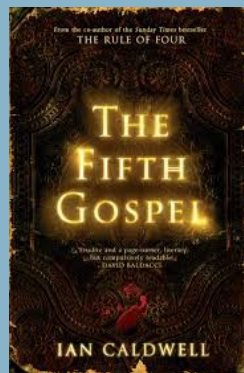
January 15th

The Fifth Gospel by Ian Caldwell

February 19th

The Heretic's Daughter

by Kathleen Kent



Children's Programs

New Saturday Storytime

Saturday 11:30

December 8th, January 5th & February 2nd

This winter, join us for a new storytime one Saturday a month. Just like Thursday storytime, we will have stories, rhymes, fingerplays, songs and a craft. We welcome all children from Birth-School Age to attend.

Baby and Me Storytime

Every Tuesday 11:30 Ages 0-2

A special storytime for ages 0-2 and their caregivers. Lots of songs, rhymes and interactive fun. Siblings welcome.

Family Storytime

Every Thursday 11:30 am

Join us for a traditional storytime for families with children of all ages. Lively and fun, new and classic stories along with rhymes, songs, and a craft. Everyone is welcome!

Holiday Crafts

Saturday December 15th 12:00 - 1:30 pm

Come over to Kezar Library to make a holiday craft—a great activity for children of all ages! No registration.

STEAM, Jr.

Saturdays 11:30 am - 1:30 pm

December 1st, January 19th, & February 16th

STEAM for younger kids: Preschool - 3rd grade! Come

and learn science, engineering & math, and use your creativity and imagination in a fun, engaging and informal way. Learn through play!

No registration.

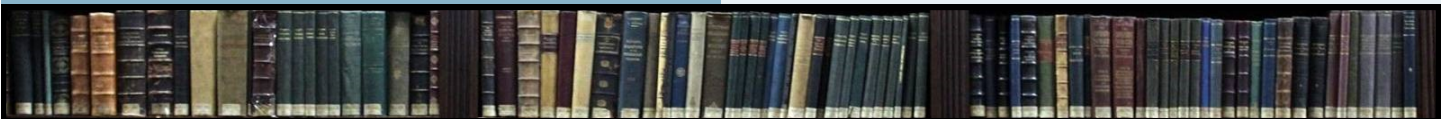


Teen Craft Club

New Every Wednesday 2:30 - 3:30 pm

Starting January 9th

Teens, this winter, you can stop by Kezar after school and create some fun things! We supply the craft materials, you supply the creativity. Anyone in grades 6-12 are welcome. Got a great idea for a project? Let us know!!



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The Friends Get Crafty!

The Friends will host a craft night on December 20th at Graubner. We will be making snowmen from repurposed books. These cute ornaments have been some of our favorites in the past and it will be a fun project to share for the holidays. Supplies will be provided by the Friends, however if you bring your own glue gun it will help eliminate waiting. Look for sign up information at Graubner.

Charitable Contributions

The end of the year is approaching and as always, we would like you to consider the library in your gift giving. Charitable donations can be made by check to: The Friends of the Romeo District Library or by using our PAYPAL link at <http://romeodistrictlibrary.org/friends/join/>.

You will find the **Donate** button at the bottom of the page. Checks can be brought to circulation desk at either branch or mailed to: Kezar Library, 107 Church St., Romeo, MI 48065

1/2 Off Saturdays at Kezar

Each Saturday, all books and items in our Used Book Store will be 1/2 Off! Check our shelves often for a large selection of Cookbooks, Self-Help, History & Politics, Fiction & Children's Books.

The Big Screen at Graubner

Graubner Used Book Store is stocked to the brim with professional, 2-sided Movie Posters. The collection ranges from *Jumanji* to *The Greatest Showman*. Only \$1 each.

Graubner Library
65821 Van Dyke
Washington, MI 48095
(586)752-0603

Monday - Thursday 9:00 am - 9:00 pm
Friday - Saturday 10:00 am - 6:00 pm
Sunday - 1:00 - 5:00 pm (after Labor Day)

Kezar Library & Romeo Comm. Archive
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
Sunday - Closed

Graubner & Kezar Libraries will be closed for the holidays (December 24th & 25th and December 31st & January 1st), as well as President's Day (February 18th).