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From the Director



We are YOUR library!

At the library, *YOU* are our priority. We carefully choose our materials, plan programs and make changes to our buildings and services to help serve you better.

Our goal is to make the best use of your tax dollars and we continue expanding the means for meeting your needs:

- √ Audiobooks & eBooks for download;
- ✓ Apps for streaming movies and music;
- √ Free access to legal forms and tax forms;
- √ Free access to online research sites;
- √ Free online tutoring;
- √ Homework help for middle and high school students;
- √ Storytimes & programs for younger children;
- ✓ Engaging programs for adults;
- √ Free or reduced-cost passes to Michigan attractions;
- √ Places to study or just read a newspaper or magazine;
- √ Public computers & 1-on-1 technology instruction;
- √ Tools to learn a language;
- √ Summer reading programs;
- ✓ Archives of Romeo and Michigan history.

And all of these resources are available along with the aid of professional librarians who are ready to recommend books and movies or assist you with research.

One of the exciting things about the public library is that things are always changing. We get new shipments of books and movies every week, including all of the newest releases. We are currently updating the buildings in order to make more efficient use of space. As the function of libraries change, we are always looking into new services that we can offer you to make *YOUR* library better.

Your say matters. We have comment cards in the libraries where you can write compliments, concerns, suggestions, and your new ideas. There is a link on our website where you can fill out a virtual comment card and you can always e-mail me: claire@romeodistrictlibrary.org.

- * Tell us what books and movies you want us to have
- * Tell us about an idea for a program that you think we should host
- * Tell us about a musical acts we should invite to perform at the library
- * Tell us about a library staff member who gave you especially good service
- * Tell us about something we could be doing better
- * Tell us about something innovative that another library is doing that we should consider implementing
- * Tell us about local organizations that would like to work with the library

I look forward to hearing from you about *YOUR* library. We need your insight to help us grow and improve.

Thanks so much,

Claire Lopiccolo, YOUR library director

Graubner Library Tuesday Book Group

First Tuesday of the Month 1:30 pm

March 5th

The Flight Attendant

by Chris Bohjalian

April 2nd

Eleanor Oliphant is Completely Fine

by Gail Honeyman

May 7th

The Rosie Project by Graeme Simsion

June 4th

The Tea Girl of Hummingbird Lane



Tech @ RDL

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.

rdl247.org: Digital Jumpstart Appt.

Mondays 2:00 pm

March 4th, April 1st & May 6th

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

Mondays 2:00 pm

March 11th & May 13th

Come learn about everything related to eBooks which the Library offers, including OverDrive/Libby and Hoopla Digital, our free digital libraries! No registration required.

Library Offerings Overview

Monday April 8th 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!



GRAUBNER LIBRARY

Adult Programs

T-Shirt Painting 101

Thursday March 14th 11:00 am & 1:00 pm Come to the library in some old clothes and learn the basics of T-shirt painting with Local artist Joyce Kilpatrick This will be hand-painting, not silkscreen and participants must provide their own washed and dried t-shirt. Paint and other supplies will be provided. There will be two classes at 11 am and 1pm. Class size is limited and registration is required: call (586) 752-0603.

Marimba Concert

Thursday April 4th 7:00 pm Local musician Paul Demick will perform a beautiful marimba concert. If you've had a long week, this just might be the concert you need to help you relax to the soothing tones of the marimba. No registration needed.



Jigsaw Puzzle Connection

Saturday April 6th 1:00 pm

Come to the library to compete with other jigsaw puzzle enthusiasts to win prizes and have fun with your friends and family. Teams will compete to assemble a 500 piece jigsaw puzzle the fastest! Prizes awarded for first place and the runner-up. Call (586) 752-0603 to register your team of 2-4 people.

Matt Watroba Live In Concert

Thursday April 11th 7:00 pm Needing an evening of music and fun? Then join local folk musician Matt Watroba for a night of relaxing music with laughs and interactive, sing-along music that is all sure to bring a smile or two—free of charge.

Weird Detroit: The Witch of Delray

Thursday April 25th 7:00 pm

Suspected of being a witch by her neighbors, Rose Veres was, in fact, something far worse: she was a serial killer. In the 1930s, Rose rented rooms on Detroit's South side—and killed for insurance money and pleasure. Join local historian Karen Dybis as she sheds some light on this notorious character. Books available.



Finding Family Through DNA

Thursday May 2nd 7:00 pm

Ever wonder what makes you uniquely you? Scientist Richard Hill brings the story of DNA through his personal story of the search for his birthparents as told in his book, *Finding Family*. Join Richard and begin the search for your own history hidden in your DNA. Books available.

Michigan Music and Song with Neil Woodward

Thursday May 9th 7:00 pm Join Michigan's troubadour Neil Woodward on a tour of the Great Lakes through songs and sounds with voice, fiddle, banjo and many other instruments. Don't miss it.

Romeo and the Detroit United Railway

Thursday May 16th 7:00 pm

Did you know Romeo was once served by an interurban railway system that linked the entire Detroit metropolitan area? Local railroad expert Ken Schramm brings the engaging story of Southeastern Michigan railroads, the DUR, and the trolley cars that once ran down main street, connecting Romeo with the wider world a century ago.



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Teen Programs

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



Vivid Voiced Teen Writers Series

Tuesday April 9th 6:00 - 7:30 pm
This writing workshop will explore YA poetry for postmillennials and ways into writing verse with vivid detail
and bold voice. Hosted by local writer Jenifer DeBellis.
No registration needed. For teens in high school and up.

Teen Craft: Sharpie Tie Die

Tuesday June 4th 6:00 - 7:00 pm Celebrate summer early with a fun tie dye craft. Come and tie dye your very own canvas tote bag with Sharpies! All supplies will be provided. Registration is required. For teens in grades 6-12.

Continuing Teen ProgramsDungeons and Dragons

Wednesdays 6:30 - 8:30 pm
March 6th, April 3rd & 17th,
May 1st & 22nd and June 5th
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



Teen Craft: Peeps Dioramas

Saturday April 13th 12:00 - 1:30 pm Let's celebrate the arrival of spring and make a Peeps diorama! Teens will make their very own diorama with miscellaneous items, cardboard, backdrops and Peeps, of course! For teens in grades 6-12. Registration is required!

Free Comic Book Day & Star Wars Craft Day

Saturday May 4th all day
Come celebrate your love for comic
books by dropping in for Free Comic
Book Day! And, since it lands on a
special day this year, we say, "May
the Fourth Be With You!" Join us
for a Star Wars day celebration with
a variety of Star Wars themed crafts
(supplies provided). So, come out
and have a little Star Wars fun and
take home some free comic books.
We will have a variety of comic
books for different ages while
supplies last. All ages welcome.



Anime Club

Tuesdays 6:00 - 8:00 pm March 12th, April 2nd & 23rd and May 7th & 21st

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.

Super Smash Bros Tournament

Wednesdays 6:00 - 8:00 pm April 24th and May 29th

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!



GRAUBNER LIBRARY

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 or online at romeodistrictlibrary.org.

Little Explorers

Fridays 11:30 - 12:30 pm March 8th & April 19th

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 with a caregiver. Registration is *not* required.

Ralph Breaks the Internet

Tuesday April 2nd 2:00 - 4:00 pm Ralph and Vanellope from *Wreck it Ralph* (2012) are back! This time they must try to save Vanellope's game,

Sugar Rush, by venturing forth through the internet. But, will Ralph wreck-it and destroy the internet? Join us as we watch Ralph Breaks the Internet (2018, PG, 1hr 56 minutes). Bring a blanket or a pillow and enjoy snacks!! Registration is not required.

Doug Scheer and the Magic Bookshelf

Thursday April 4th 11:00 am Join us during spring break as we are entertained by Magician Doug Scheer and The Magic Bookshelf. Learn all about books, the treasures that can be found in the library and, of course, the magic of reading. Registration is required and begins March 1st.





Cupcake Wars

Saturday May 11th 1:00 - 3:00 pm
Calling all kids ages 7-12!! Do you have what it takes to win the library's Cupcake Wars? Work with a team against the clock to create book-themed creations with just cupcakes and all things sweet!! Only one team will be named the Cupcake Wars Champions and take home the grand prize!! All supplies will be provided. Registration is required for this event and begins March 1st. Please, let us know if you have any food allergies when registering.

Storytime at Graubner

Baby Storytime

Mondays 10:30 - 11:30 am Ages 0-2 March 4th, 11th and April 8th, 15th, 22nd & 29th Join us for songs, stories, lap bounces and play time.

Toddler Storytime

Tuesdays 10:30 - 11:30 am Ages 2-3 March 5th & 12th, April 16th, 23rd & 30th and May 7th

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 March 6th & 13th, April 10th, 17th & 24th and May 1st

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

Family Storytime

Saturday 1:00 - 2:00 pm April 27th

Bring the whole family for a fun time of stories, songs and crafts! For all ages. No registration required.

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!



Beginning Crochet

Every Wednesday 5:30 pm March 6th through May 8th

Learn the basic stitches & pattern reading while creating a beginner project of your choosing in this 10-week class. You will need to bring: size G, H and I crochet hooks, worsted weight (medium) yarn in a light color (no novelty yarns), as well as scissors, small ruler and yarn needle. Class size is limited and Registration is required.

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.



Women in the Civil War

Thursday March 21st 6:00 pm A woman's role in the Civil War many times went far beyond raising money and making bandages. Local historian, Bill Grandstaff, will be speaking about the important role of women in the War between the States.

Vivid Voiced Writer's Workshop

Thursday April 18th 6:00 pm Join Jenifer DeBellis, freelance writer and college writing instructor, for a workshop that will help you punch-up your writing. We will explore ways to infuse your own writing with vivid details and local color to create memorable prose and poetry with a strong sense of place, mood, and tone.



Organize Your Home, Organize Your Life

Tuesday April 30th 6:00 pm Organizing your home creates the positive benefits of reduced stress, more time, and peace of mind. Take a journey through the typical home as we discuss organizing solutions for some of our most disorganized spaces. And, if you're a visual learner, this photo-rich presentation is for you. Come get some ideas to make your home work more smoothly for you.



Bigfoot: Myth or Reality?

Thursday May 23rd 6:00 pm Michigan Bigfoot researcher Bob Daigle will speak about the evidence for Bigfoot, using photos, track casts, video and other evidence. He will also speak about reports and sightings of Bigfoot in Michigan.

KEZAR LIBRARY

Kezar Library Book Groups Great Books Book Group

First Thursday of the month 5:45 pm

March 7th

The Marsh King's Daughter

by Karen Dionne

April 4th

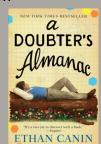
The Child Finder by Rene Denfeld

May 2nd

A Doubter's Almanac by Ethan Canin

June 6th

The Last Ballad by Wiley Cash



True Crime Book Group

2nd Thursday of the month 5:45 pm March 14th

The Murder Room

by Michael Capuzzo

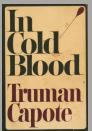
April 11th

Lost Girls: An Unsolved American Mysery

by Robert Kolker

May 9th

In Cold Blood by Truman Capote



History's Mysteries

Book Group

Third Tuesday of the month 5:45 pm

March 19th

House of Thieves

by Charles Belfoure

April 16th

Manhattan Beach

by Jennifer Egan

May 21st

See What I Have Done

by Sarah Schmidt



Children's Programs

Teen Craft Club

Every Wednesday 2:30 - 3:30 pm

Teens, stop by after school and create some fun things! We supply the materials, you supply the creativity. Anyone in grades 6-12 are welcome to come and be creative! Monthly themes: March: Paint and Color yourself happy! April: Paper, scissors, glue (or modpodge)! May: Sparkle and Shine! Call for weekly craft projects: (586) 752-2583.

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!

Saturday Storytime

Saturdays 11:30

March 2nd, April 13th, May 11th & June 8th Join us for a Saturday storytime similar to our Family Storytime with stories, rhymes, fingerplays, songs and a craft. We welcome all children School Age and under.



Family Board Game Night

Thursday 5:30 - 7:00 pm

March 13th, April 17th, May 15th and June 12th Bring the family and have some fun playing board games! Play ours or bring your own! Everyone is welcome.

STEAM, Jr.

Saturdays March 16th 11:30 am - 1:30 pm STEAM for younger kids: Preschool - 3rd grade! Come and learn science, engineering & math. Use your creativity and imagination in a fun, engaging and informal way. Learn through play! No registration.

STEAM, Jr. with TechKnowKids: **Awesome Astronauts**

Saturday April 27th 11:30 am

Rocket Science for kids ages 6-10! Join us for 45 min. of STEM challenges that teach kids about astronauts and rockets with Cathy Foster from TechKnowKids!

With 30 years of experience teaching young children, Cathy is well known in the library community for her great STEM programs. Space is limited, so registration is encouraged for this program. Check them out at techknowkids.org.





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Kezar Library & Romeo Comm. Archive 107 Church St. Romeo, MI 48065 (586)752-2583 Monday - Thursday 9:00 am - 9:00 pm Friday - Saturday 10:00 am - 6:00 pm Sunday - 1:00 - 5:00 pm (Through May 19th)

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 Memorial Day (May 27th).