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From the Director



Tech @ RDL

The world is full of magical places, and the library has always been one of them for me.
- Julie Andrews, actress and author

I grew up as a regular library user in a small town in Illinois. I remember story times and magic shows at the library and I remember the ladies working at the front desk who knew me by name. The first time I was able to pick something to read from the grown-up section was a big day for me. Being able to take out new books every visit for free was amazing to me—and it still is. I am still a regular library user and I still get a thrill when a book I've been waiting for comes in. People assume that as a librarian, I have a huge collection of books of my own, but most of the books I read are borrowed from the library.

Now as the director of this library, I relish the reactions to the library I see and those about which I hear. I love hearing about a mom who is able to bring her children to the library more often now that she doesn't have to worry about overdue fines. The retired gentlemen who come in to read the papers and to visit with staff are important to me. When I walk through the lobby with the tables and study rooms full, hearing the soft murmurings of tutors and students hard at work, I become so pleased that we can offer them a place to hone their skills and that we can nurture these learners and teachers. When I hear about one of our librarians helping someone with a computer problem—really taking the time to make sure our patron understands—I am reminded that there are not a lot of other places where you can get that kind of service. It's a delight to be in the children's room and witness the imaginative play that happens with puppets and hear stories coming from young minds. I love to visit the Kezar Branch when I see regular users talk animatedly with staff about the books they have been reading and get great suggestions for books to add to their 'To Be Read' pile. And I enjoy hearing the interactions at the front desk as people rave about a book or DVD they've just returned.

There's so much about RDL that makes me proud to be associated with it. But more than that, I am honored to be able to work for a public library that offers so much to everyone who wants it. I hope you are one of the people who finds wonder within our walls.

If you have a story about why you love your library or need to get in touch with me, my number is (586)752-0603 ex 1018 and my e-mail is claire@romeodistrictlibrary.org.

Happy reading,

Claire Lopiccolo, Director
Romeo District Library

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.

Library Offerings Overview

Mondays June 10th & August 12th 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!

Secure & Protect: Your Devices, Your Privacy, Your Security

Mondays 2:00 pm
June 24th, July 15th & August 19th
Concerned about your privacy online? Worried about ransomware? Not sure if your device is securely up to specs? Stop in for a presentation covering security guidelines, password managers, and related topics! Some background knowledge for usage of smartphones, tablets, and computers is handy, but not required! Registration is required and appreciated. So, call and register today!

rdl247.org: Everything eBooks

Monday July 22nd 2:00 pm
Come learn about everything related to eBooks that the Library offers, including OverDrive, Libby and Hoopla Digital, our free digital libraries! Registration required.



Graubner Library Tuesday Book Group

First Tuesday of the Month 1:30 pm

June 4th

The Tea Girl of Hummingbird Lane
by Lisa See

July 2nd

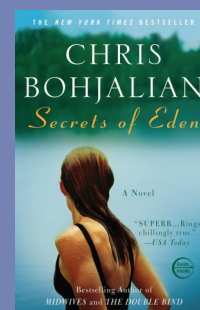
Before We Were Yours
by Lisa Wingate

August 6th

Secrets of Eden by Chris Bohjalian

September 3rd

The Island of Sea Women
by Lisa See



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Adult Programs

T-Shirt Painting 101

Thursday June 6th 1:00 & 6:00 pm

Come to the library in some old clothes and learn the basics of t-shirt painting with local artist Joyce Kilpatrick. Participants must provide their own washed and dried t-shirt. Paint and other supplies will be provided. There will be two classes at 1 and 6 pm. Class size is limited and registration is required; so, call (586) 752-0603.



The Celtic Music of Nessa

Thursday June 13th 7:00 pm

The Celtic-inspired, World Beat group Nessa combines their eclectic style and serious classical & jazz chops with a whimsical approach that creates a unique musical experience. Join us for an evening of music to remember.

Al Bettis Live in Concert

Thursday June 20th 7:00 pm

Detroit native Al Bettis didn't begin singing and writing until he was 30, but when you hear his brand of acoustic soul, his innate talent is undeniable. Join us for a night of soothing, uplifting music.



Jigsaw Puzzle Connection

Saturdays 1:00 pm

June 29th, July 27th and August 10th

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.



WWII in the Mediterranean

Thursday July 18th 7pm

US Army combat veteran and historian Steve Mrozek, SFC, will share with us a fascinating look at the strategies and combat conditions in the Mediterranean Theater of WWII. History buffs are sure to enjoy this program.

Detroit Flute Guild

Thursday July 25th 7:00 pm

Join us as the Detroit Flute Guild provides an evening of beautiful music. Employing not only the standard flute, but also piccolo, alto and bass flutes, the Guild has performed throughout Michigan for the past 20 years.

Protecting Yourself Against Identity Theft

Thursday August 1st 7:00 pm

In our interconnected world, identity theft is an undeniable danger today and seniors are the largest target. Allison Bonacci, from the office of the Michigan Attorney General, comes to answer your questions to help keep it from happening to you.

Rock Critter Painting

Thursday August 8th 7:00 pm

Local artist Bonnie Akers will be teaching the fun art of critter painting. Grab a rock, engage your creativity and take home a new pet; a rock critter! Guaranteed fun for the whole rock-lovin' family. Supplies are provided, but class size is limited. Call (586) 752-0603 to register.

Belleau Notte' Live in Concert

Thursday August 15th 7:00 pm

Come travel the world on a musical trip with Belleau Notte' as they bring us music from a variety of ethnic traditions. Hear the sounds of Poland, Russia, Romania, the Czech Republic and others and have a fun night with us.

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Teen Programs

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

Teen Craft: Sharpie Tie Dye

Saturday June 15th 1:00 - 2:00 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.



Teen Craft: Galaxy Cookies

Saturday July 13th 1:00 - 2:00 pm

In honor of the Summer Reading theme - A Universe of Stories - come and make some far out galaxy cookies! With some icing, we'll make sugar cookies that look out of this world. Registration is not required. For teens in grades 6-12.

Get Organized Your Way with a Collage Calendar Journal

Saturday August 17th 12:00 - 1:30 pm

Need some help and inspiration to up your organization game? Join our Collage Calendar Journal Workshop, where you'll discover ways to best organize your life by unifying your calendar and helping you juggle the varied activities that make up your intentional life. We'll provide the supplies (inc. templates, collage art & journals—or bring your own) and teach the techniques; you make it your own. For all ages. Registration is required.



Continuing Teen Programs

Teen Anime Club

Tuesdays 6:00 - 8:00 pm

June 11th & 25th, July 9th & 27th
and August 13th & 27th

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.

Teen Anime Club is for grades 6-12 only.



Dungeons and Dragons

Wednesdays 5:30 - 8:30 pm

June 5th & 19th, July 3rd & 17th,
and August 7th & 21st

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 & for teens grades 6-12 only.



Game On! Tabletop Gaming *New*

Wednesdays 12:00 - 3:00 pm

June 22nd, July 20th and August 24th

Drop in for some table top gaming! We will have a variety of games to play including: Ticket to Ride, King of Tokyo, Takenoko, Castle Panic, Munchkin, Azul, Carcassonne, and others! Registration is not required. This program is for all ages. So, bring the family and have fun!

Super Smash Bros Tournament

Wednesdays 6:00 - 8:00 pm

June 26th, July 24th and August 28th

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 grades 6-12. No registration required.

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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.

Baffling Bill the Magician: Blast Off with Books

Tuesday June 18th 10:00 am
Hop into Summer Reading with Baffling Bill the Magician and Gus the Bunny through magic, audience participation, laughter and fun! Registration Required.



Puffy Paint Crafts

Thursday June 20th 1:00 - 2:00 pm
Come paint with us!! Join us as we make puffy paint creations. Registration is required.

Astronaut Training Camp

Thursday June 27th 1:00 - 2:00 pm
We all know that astronauts go on missions to space, but what do they actually do up there? Come try out some fun activities and experience what it's like to be an astronaut! Registration is required and begins June 12th.



Storytime at Graubner

Family Storytime

Tuesday 10:30 - 11:30 pm
July 2nd, 16th & 30th
Bring the whole family for a fun time of stories, songs and crafts! For all ages. No registration required.

SpaceCrafts

Thursday July 11th 1:00 - 2:00 pm
Come learn about our solar system and make some Galaxy Slime and other out-of-this-world projects! Registration is required and begins June 12th.

Trolls Movie Matinee



Thursday July 18th
1:00 - 3:30 pm
After an invasion of the village, Poppy, the happy troll, sets off with the fearful Branch to rescue her friends. Join us as we watch the DreamWorks animated adventure *Trolls*. (PG, 1h 32 min.) Bring a pillow and blanket, enjoy snacks, and make crafts. Registration is required for this event and begins June 17th.

Starlab Planetarium

Wednesday July 24th 2:00 pm
Let's go on an adventure through space without leaving the comfort of the library! No need for a telescope or a space shuttle. Inside the Graubner Library we will have a walk-in Starlab Planetarium where we will learn about the stars and the solar system. Registration Required.

Outdoor Galaxy Painting

Thursday July 25th 1:00 - 2:00 pm
Join us for this outdoor art/science program! Create your own galaxy splatter painting, make erupting moon rocks, and more! Please dress accordingly, as clothes may get dirty. This event will be cancelled in the event of inclement weather. Registration is required and begins June 25th.

Make Your Own Rocket

Thursday August 1st 1:00 - 2:00 pm
Come learn how to make your own paper air rocket and then go outside to launch them high into the sky! This event will be cancelled in the event of inclement weather. Registration is required and begins July 1st.

Exotic Wildlife Show

Monday August 5th 5:00 pm
Something wild is coming to the library! Experience exotic and familiar creatures up close with the Exotic Zoo. We will learn about their natural habitat, diet, and more, with a Q&A. *Note:* Animals available for viewing, touching and handling may change. All creatures get a little grumpy and need a day off sometimes.



KEZAR LIBRARY

Book Groups at Kezar

Great Books Book Group

First Thursday of the month 5:45 pm
Join us for a discussion of classic and modern "Great Books".

June 6th

The Last Ballad by Wiley Cash

July 4th

cancelled for holiday

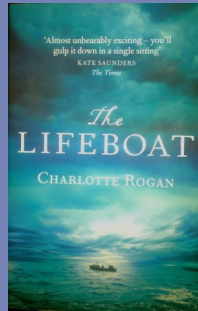
August 1st

The Lifeboat by Charlotte Rogan &

Baby Teeth by Zoje Stage

September 5th

Warlight by Michael Ondaatje



True Crime Book Group

Second Thursday of the month 5:45 pm
From classics in forensic theory to stranger than fiction tales of mayhem, we will be discussing the dark side of the human race.

June 13th

American Fire: Love, Arson and Life in a Vanishing Land

by Monica Hesse

July 11th

The Man from the Train

by Bill James and

Rebecca McCarthy James

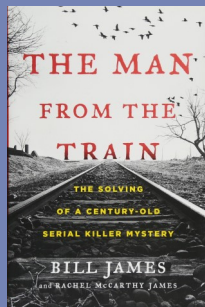
August 8th

I'll Be Gone in the Dark

by Michelle McNamara

September 12th

Mrs Sherlock Holmes by Brad Ricca



History's Mysteries Book Group

Third Tuesday of the month 5:45 pm
Join us for a fascinating discussion about historical mysteries, suspense and thrillers! Copies are available at the Kezar Library.

June 18th

In Farleigh Field

by Rhys Bowen

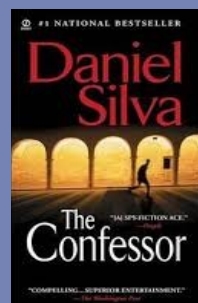
July 23rd

Murder in Mesopotamia

by Agatha Christie

August 20th

The Confessor by Daniel Silva



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, but must know basic stitches.



Romeo Writers Group

Third Thursday of the month 6:00 pm

Do you enjoy writing? Thinking about starting that novel you have been dreaming of writing? If so, we encourage you to join the Romeo Writer's Group. The group is comprised of authors and writers from the Romeo Area. We share our current writing projects and offer support and encouragement to each other. Everyone is welcome and is encouraged to bring a short piece of writing to share or bring just your imagination.

The Saucer Life: America's Profound, Strange and Amusing Relationship with UFO's

Thursday June 27th 6:00 pm

From Roswell to Area 51 and from Project Blue Book to encounters with peace-loving folks from Venus, the American public and the American media have been fascinated with the possibility that beings from other planets have been in contact with us. This presentation explores the history of American hopes and fears about alien visitation and the ways that these things reflect the ways in which American culture and society have changed over the last seventy years.

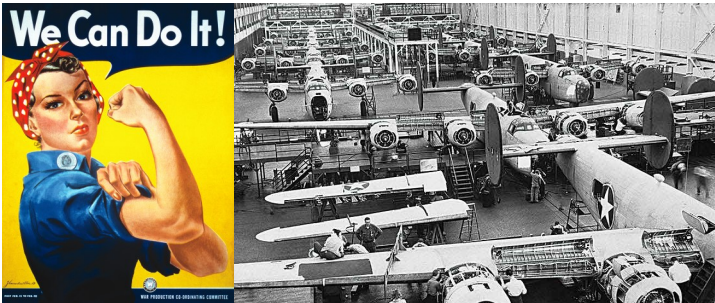


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Willow Run Rosies: Women in the War Effort

Thursday August 22nd 6:00 pm

In 1941, the Ford Motor Co. began building bombers at the Willow Run factory, producing more than 40,000 B-24 Liberators during WWII; at its peak, *one B-24 per hour* rumbled off the line. What's more, a significant proportion of the workforce that made this feat possible were women, prototypically known as 'Rosie the Riveter.' Along with thousands of others across the country who joined the workforce, these women became essential contributors to eventual victory. Join us as we look at the effect of 'Rosie' and her sisters on the war through rare archival photos of them at work, struggling and sacrificing to exceed quotas to help the Allies win the war, earn respect in the workplace and change American society in the process.



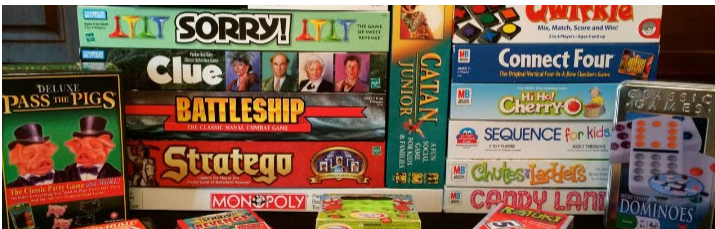
Children's Programs

Family Board Game Night

Wednesdays 5:30 - 7:00 pm

June 12th, July 17th and August 14th

Bring the family and have some fun playing board games! Play ours or bring your own! Everyone is welcome.



Wednesday Arts and Crafts

Every Wednesday 2:00 - 3:00 pm

June 19th through August 7th (except July 31)

Kids, Preschool-Middle School! Join us each Wednesday afternoon during the Summer Reading Club for arts and crafts! Fun and engaging activities for everyone! No registration, but call (586)752-2583 for more information. List of weekly activities will be available at Kazar Library.

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

June 8th, July 6th and August 3rd

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.

STEAM, Jr.

Saturdays 11:30 am - 1:30 pm

June 22nd, July 20th and August 17th

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.



Summer Book Club for Grades K-2

Every Tuesday 2:00 - 3:00 pm

July 2nd through 30th

Join us each Tuesday afternoon in July for books and related activities. Learn the fun of books and reading, and maybe even a few library skills before heading to school this fall! The club is limited to 10 children, so please call to register.

Techknow Kids—

Space Is Out of This World

Wednesday July 31st 2:00 - 3:00 pm

We are taking a break from crafts this week to offer a special STEM program, presented by Cathy Foster of Techknow Kids! This program is open to children ages 6-10 and will be a fun, hands-on class learning about outer space! Seats are limited to 20 space explorers. Registration is required.



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The Friends of the Romeo District Library

New Tote Bags Have Arrived

The new Friends tote bags are now available for purchase in the Used Book Stores at both branches for only \$12.



The art work is a result of a contest with participants from Romeo High School art classes. There were many awesome entries—so many, in fact, that we chose two for this year's design.

Congratulations to Katie Mill for “**Reading is My Happy Place**” and Marisa Cohen for “**It's a good day to READ!**”



Are you a member of the *Friends of the Library* Yet?

VOLUNTEER your time helping in the used bookstore, garden walk, rummage sale and other special fund-raising events.

DONATE your gently used books, CDs, DVDs and video games.

SUPPORT the Library to offer services above and beyond those services funded by tax support.

ENJOY getting to know other members.

Annual membership is only \$10. You can become a member at both branches or go to the library website at romeodistrictlibrary.org and click on the *Friends* link at the bottom. Payment can be made using PayPal. Proceeds will go to support many of the libraries events and activities.



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 - Closed (summer hours)

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 Independence Day (July 4th) and Labor Day weekend (September 1st - 3rd).