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June/July/August
2022

SUMMER 2022



REMINDER: THIS IS YOUR LIBRARY!



Claire Lopiccolo,
Library Director

I recently attended a conference of public librarians, and one of the sessions really made an impact on me. The presenter reminded all of us that the materials in the library and the library itself belong to the community, and that it's the library staff's job to keep it in order and accessible. I couldn't agree more. The books in the library don't belong to the staff; we're just here to make sure you can find what you are looking for as easily as possible. All of our resources do, indeed, belong to the community. Please come by and see what we have.

Because this is your library, I want to encourage you to become a member of the Friends of the Library. It costs only \$10 per year or \$5 per year for junior memberships. The Friends is the fundraising group that supports the libraries activities. They are the group that sells used books at both of our locations. Some of the ways they have supported the library in the last few years include:

- Paying for half of the cost of the RDL on Wheels that goes to schools and does home deliveries
- Contributing a significant donation to the Big Brother Bear Discovery Zone at Graubner's west end
- Funding summer reading programs and Battle of the Books to increase children's love of reading
- Supporting other initiatives as described on the back page.

For more information about our Friends of the Library, visit romeodistrictlibrary.org/friends. You can also find the page at the bottom of our web site home page.

As always, I'm here for your questions and suggestions!
Contact me at 586-752-0603 x 1018 or
claire@romeodistrictlibrary.org

On the cover:

**The windows of the Kezar branch
pop with colorful pictures from
three books by Kevin Henkes.**



**Just out: Library T-shirts now
available for only \$15.**

**Pair one with a Friends tote bag
(\$12 each)!**

ADULT PROGRAMS

Graubner Branch

Storms of November

Thursday, June 16, 7:00 pm

The Great Lakes are beautiful and, at times, deadly. Historian Steven Mrozek shares his insight into the allure of these unforgiving waters, particularly Michigan's November gales and storms (which are estimated to have taken more than 30,000 lives and 6,000 to 25,000 ships). Join us to learn about some of the more famous and interesting ones to have met their fates in these maritime disasters.



Join us for a lovely outdoor concert behind the library! The Sheila Landis Trio returns for an evening of jazz, blues, latin and R&B music. Bring your blanket, your lawn chair and a friend!



Sheila Landis Jazz Trio Outdoor Concert

Thursday, June 23, 7:00 pm

Rain date: Thursday, June 30

National Ice Cream Day Celebration

Thursday, July 21, 7:00 pm



Register in person at our Graubner branch, by phone or online at rdl.org.

Our favorite crafty lady, Kathleen Clinton from Wolcott Mill, will help us celebrate National Ice Cream Day in a two-part celebration. The first part will be making fun, decorative felt ice cream cones; the second part will be making and eating real ice cream! Enjoy different flavors and toppings. Register today for this free, family-fun event.



Route 66 Travelogue

Thursday July 28, 7:00 pm

Michael Artman takes you down the path of one of America's most mythic highways in history. He explains not only the history and sites of Route 66 but its exciting renaissance as well.



Summer Harvest Cooking Demo

Thursday August 18, 7:00 pm



Register in person at our Graubner branch, by phone or online at rdl.org.

Cooking guru Mary Spencer returns to share easy family meals using delicious vegetables such as zucchini and tomatoes from your summer harvest. Two fresh-from-the-garden dishes will be demonstrated with plenty of samples for everyone. Registration required.

ADULT PROGRAMS (CONT'D)

Patriotic Songs With Fife and Drum

Thursday, August 25, 7:00 pm

Enjoy a summer evening outdoor concert with the 1st Michigan Colonial Fife and Drum Corps as they share timeless and patriotic songs of our nation's past. Feel as if you've journeyed back in time as these wonderful musicians, dressed in 1700s attire, entertain and bring the atmospheric feeling that Paul Revere might just make his appearance to warn us of the approaching British troops. If you love period music and history, don't miss this event!



Find more fife and drum music on **freegal**, your free music service!

TECH @ RDL



Register for a tech program in person, by calling 586-752-0603 x4 or via our Calendar at www.rdl.org.

All programs occur at  2:00 pm

Ebooks & Digital Audiobooks

Thursday, June 2 & July 7

Monday, August 8

Our Technology Services Librarian will present a detailed look into RDL's ebook and digital audiobook services. Feel free to bring your own devices and questions.

Personal Device Privacy

Monday, July 25

Concerned about security risks and threats to your privacy? Need to learn more about trends, developments and care for your device(s)? Join us for an always developing presentation.

LIBRARY SERVICES OVERVIEW

WITH OUR TECH SERVICES EXPERT



Thursday, June 9,

Monday, July 18 &

Monday, August 15

Our Technology Services Librarian will provide a birds-eye view of the library's print and digital resources, including ebooks and digital audiobooks, databases, streaming and downloading services, and more.

[Having problems with our Libby, Hoopla or Freegal services?]
Please let our Tech Services Librarian know.

TUESDAY BOOK GROUP

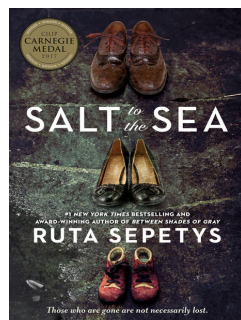
To join, contact Emily M. @ 586-752-0603 x 1013 or emily@romeodistrictlibrary.org, or just drop in.

**For adults
and seniors**

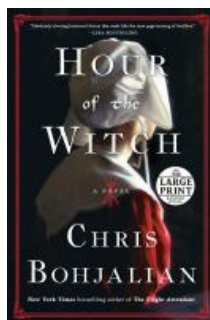
**First Monday of every
month, 1:30 pm**



June 7



July 5



August 9

One More Way to Relax



White Lotus returns for free yoga!
Mondays | June 6 thru August 15
6:30-7:30 pm | Graubner west lawn



Registration required. Visit:
<https://whitelotusyoga.net/community>

TEEN PROGRAMS

All programs for teens in grades 6-12.
No registration necessary.

Graubner Branch

Anime Club

Wednesdays, 6:00-8:00 pm

June 1 & 15, July 6 & 20, August 3 & 17

Love all things anime
and reading manga?
Then join us! We'll
watch anime, do crafts
and eat all the Pocky!
Snacks provided.



Dungeons and Dragons

Tuesdays, 6:00-8:00 pm

June 7 & 21, July 12 & 26, August 9 & 23



Join us on our exciting journey into
this fun role-playing, storyline
game that includes heroes,
challenges & battles, puzzles &
treasure, and so much more! No
experience necessary; we will teach
you how to play. Snacks provided.

Super Smash Bros

Wednesdays, 6:00-8:00 pm

June 22, July 27 & August 24

Ready for awesome gaming with Super Smash Bros
Ultimate and other video games? We are, too! Bring
your Nintendo Switch if you'd like. Snacks and
refreshments provided.



Be on the lookout for **Teen Take & Make Craft Kits!**
Check our Facebook page when they will be available!

2022 SUMMER READING PROGRAMS

June 13 through August 12

Earn badges for everything you read, get book recommendations and read reviews, and take on some oceanic challenges! First, you must begin your adventure by registering at WWW.RDL.ORG!

Children ages 5 to 12



Do you love to read?
GREAT - then set a
goal, reach it, and get
prizes and awards!

CHILDREN!

Visit the children's
area for your
special gift!

Every child who
registers for
summer reading
gets a **coupon** for
a **FREE book** from
one of our two
bookstores!

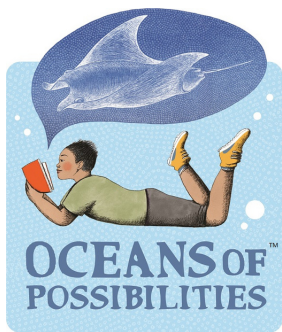
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Friends of the Romeo
District Library.

Teens ages 13 to 17

Do you like to read to **escape**?
Find books of interest on our
shelves, kick back in our teen
section or outside, and enjoy
your adventures.



Adults



Adults, we know you look forward to
summer as much as kids do. Your
program offers the opportunity to
have fun, explore new interests, and
interact with one another - while
also providing a good model for
children. Enjoy **YOUR** possibilities!

Look through your goggles
for our **summer Storywalk**
through downtown Romeo!

YOUR LIBRARY IS MOBILE

Visit our van weekly this summer out in the community.

Monday, June 13 - Thursday, September 1

TUESDAY

10:00 am - 12:00 pm | **Washington Twp. Hall**, 57900 Van Dyke Rd.

THURSDAY

10:00 am - 12:00 pm | **Northern Farm Market**, 74865 Van Dyke Rd. Bruce Township (south of 35 Mile Rd.)

6:00 pm - 8:00 pm | **Tiffin Family Dentistry**, 58110 Van Dyke Rd. (north of Jam's Frozen Custard)

check out items
return items
place holds



learn about other services
register for programs
get a library card

June ^{Thursday} **16**

Summer Fest 2022 presented by RWB Parks & Recreation
Washington Community Park (behind City Hall)
Washington Twp. | **2:00 pm - 4:00 pm**

July ^{Thursday} **14**

Fun in the Park presented by RWB Parks & Recreation
Gilcher Crissman Park, 6859 29 Mile Rd., Washington Twp.
(between Mound and Campground) | **11:00 am - 1:00 pm**

Aug ^{Thursday} **4**

Fun in the Park presented by RWB Parks & Recreation
Orchard Hills Park, 11462 33 Mile Rd., Bruce Twp.
(west of Van Dyke Rd.) | **11:00 am - 1:00 pm**

Sept ^{Saturday} **3**

KidsFest @ the Annual Peach Festival
Village Gazebo | **9:30 am - 2:00 pm**

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CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

Graubner Branch



Fish Naming Contest

June 11 - August 12

Help us name our Sailfin Tang and Lunare Wrasse fish!
Suggest names until July 10; voting starts on July 11.
The winning names will be revealed on August 12!
Visit the Children's room for more details.

June 16
Thursday

Ocean in a Jar

2:00 - 3:00 pm

Make your very own underwater, saltwater scene that you can carry! Ages 2 & up. **Registration begins June 2.**

June 23
Thursday

Ocean Slime

2:00 - 3:00 pm

Join us outdoors for some messy fun making glittery Ocean Slime! Ages 3 & up. **Registration begins Thursday, June 9.**

June 30
Thursday

Mad Science Detroit Presents: Life in the Sea

2:00 - 3:00 pm

Explore different ocean ecosystems, and learn about the plants and animals that live there. We will discuss sharks and sponges, and compare shark and whale teeth! Hands-on activities will explore the ocean food web and the consequences of overfishing. Ages 5-12.
Registration begins Thursday, June 16.



Sensory Summer Time

Fridays, 2:00 - 4:00 pm

June 17, July 1, 15, 29 & August 12

Stories and sensory play for children with special needs, autism, and other sensory and developmental needs. Ages 0-12.
No registration required.

OpenSpot Theatre

Thursday, July 14

2:00 - 3:00 pm

Join us for an OpenSpot Theatre pop-up class! We'll learn to sing, dance, and act through various games and activities. Ages 5-12.
Registration begins June 30.



Puppet Making & Show

Thursday, August 4

2:00 - 3:30 pm

MellyPop! Productions presents a fun puppet show, and then we'll create our own puppet masterpieces! Each age group builds a different style. Ages 3-10.
Registration begins July 21.



CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS (CONT'D)

Graubner Branch



Register for programs online at www.rdl.org,
in person, or by phone at 586-752-0603.

July

Thursday
21

Beach Crafts

2:00-3:00 pm

Let's make crafts with items you would find at the beach! We will make sand art and other creations using seashells, feathers and more. This event will be outdoors, weather permitting. Ages 3 & up. **Registration begins Thursday, July 7.**



July

Thursday
28

Water Science

2:00 - 4:00 pm

Come dressed to get wet! We'll do some experiments and have fun getting soaked together! Ages 0-12. **No registration required.**

August

Thursday
11

Shark Week Crafts

2:00 - 3:00 pm

Join us to make different crafts celebrating Shark Week! Ages 2 & up. **Registration begins July 28.**

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

Kezar Branch

No registration is required for
any of these programs.

Toddler
TUESDAYS



Every Tuesday @ 11:30 am
June 21 - August 2

It's time for fun, crafty things,
building & construction toys, and
other fun activities! Ages 2-4 years.

Wonderful
Wednesdays
Craft Day!



Every Wednesday @ 2:00 pm
June 22 - August 3

We'll open up "Oceans of Possibilities"
with our weekly summer craft day!
All ages welcome.

A list of crafts will be available in June.

storytime
with Ms.
Jeanette



Every Thursday @ 11:30 am

Meet your friends at the library
to enjoy traditional storytime
with stories, rhymes, songs and
a craft! All ages welcome.

Note: No storytime August 18.

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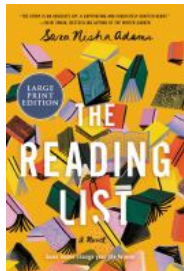
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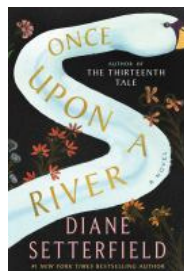
Join these discussions! Contact Stacie
@ 586-752-2583, or just drop in!

Great Books Book Group

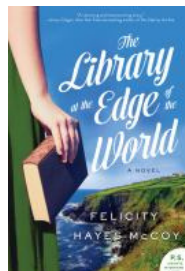
First Thursday of every month, 5:45 pm



July 7



August 4



September 1

History's Mysteries Book Group

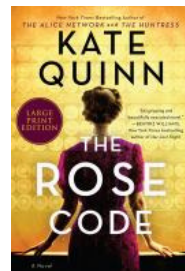
Third Tuesday of every month, 5:45 pm



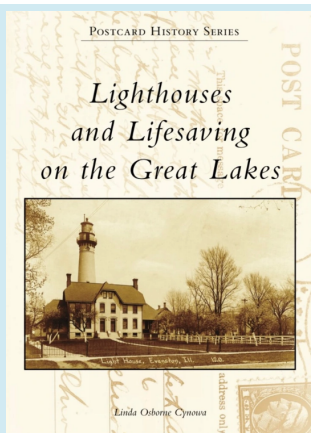
June 21



July 19



August 16



Lighthouses and Lifesaving on the Great Lakes

Thursday, June 30, 5:45 pm

Local author and historian Linda Osborne Cynowa shares vintage postcard images and information from her newest book, *Lighthouses and Lifesaving on the Great Lakes*. This book and her others will be available for purchase and signing.

Adult Take-away Craft Kits

Third week of each month, June 13 - August 15

Crafts are not just for kids! Stop in to Kezar for a different adult take-home craft kit every third week of the month June through August. Kits are limited. Look forward to a creative summer!

Back by
popular
demand!

Crochet Club

Every Tuesday, 5:15-6:45 pm

Think summer, and sit and chat with us as we work on our projects. Beginners to experts are welcome, as are knitters and other needle arts. This is not an instructional class, rather to meet like-minded people who share tips and inspiration.



ADULT PROGRAMS (CONT'D)

Kezar Branch

Teen Writers Circle

Second Wednesday of every month, 5:45-6:45 pm
June 8, July 13 & August 10

Ready to be inspired with other like-minded teens? Fun writing activities and topics, and exploring genres are just a few themes we will consider in a quest to discover all things creative writing! Snacks provided.



Genealogy Workshops

Second Thursday of every month, 5:45-6:45 pm
June 9, July 14 & August 11

Uncover clues to your family history! We'll work together to share resources, ideas and support at monthly topical workshops. Our genealogy librarian will be on hand to answer questions and help guide your search using free library resources and a variety of reference materials. Meetings are *both* in-person and Zoom virtual. Email julie@romeodistrictlibrary.org for more information.

Romeo Writers Group

Third Thursday of every month, 5:45-6:45 pm
June 16, July 21 & August 18

Whether you are starting out as a writer or have published works, join us as we share tips and inspiration. We offer gentle critiques, writing and publishing advice, and lots of encouragement! Share your writing, or just bring your positive attitude.



Genealogy Help by Appointment

Get one-on-one help from our genealogy librarian! Learn how to use library resources, and get started on your family history search today! Email julie@romeodistrictlibrary.org or call **586-690-4890** to schedule an appointment.

Romeo Community Archives
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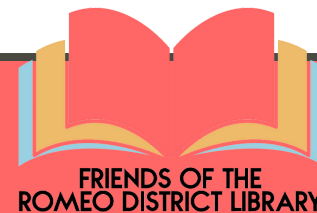
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AN UPDATE FROM OUR FRIENDS



At our annual meeting in April, we approved the following **officer and director nominees** for the year ending April 2023:

Marcie Cornett – President | Al Kresse – Vice President | Joyce Hennessee – Secretary | Sandy Pelfrey – Treasurer | Carole Sutherland (membership coordinator) | Jo Juengel, Ann Kresse, Linda Luther, Beth Vollbach, Susan Wetter (new 2022), Judy Most (new 2022), Janelle Danyko (new 2022).

We approved \$3,500 per year for three years as RDL's contribution to the **Online Author Series** produced by the Library Speakers Consortium (libraryc.org). Launching in July 2022, the series will produce two to three best-selling author events per month streamed live at no charge to participants.

We also approved \$2,500 to support the Four County Community Foundation's launch of the **Friends of the Imagination Library** fund. Dolly Parton's Imagination Library (imaginationlibrary.com) mails a brand-new age-appropriate book once a month to registered children in the eight school districts served by 4CCF, until their fifth birthdays.

The sales in the Friends used book stores at Graubner and Kezar, as well as membership dues and contributions, provide us with funds to support such initiatives. To our generous donors and customers:

THANK YOU!

**Graubner Branch, 65821 Van Dyke Rd.
Washington 48095 | 586-752-0603**

Mon/Tues/Wed/Thurs 9:00 am – 9:00 pm
Fri/Sat 10:00 am – 6:00 pm
Sun Closed

**Kezar Branch, 107 Church St.
Romeo 48065 | 586-752-2583**

Mon/Tues/Wed/Thurs 11:00 am – 7:00 pm
Fri 10:00 am – 6:00 pm
Sat 10:00 am – 2:00 pm
Sun Closed

Romeo District Library branches will be closed June 20 and July 4, 2022.

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