

# NEWS & VIEWS



ROCHESTER HILLS PUBLIC LIBRARY | SUMMER 2025



**SUMMER READING CHALLENGE**

*Read and win!*

**NEW SUMMER HOURS**

*Spend your whole weekend with RHPL*

**OUTDOOR CONCERT SERIES**

*Music for everyone all summer long*



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## A Letter from the Library Director

I've always believed that the strength of our organization lies in how we collaborate. I am continually inspired by how our community's institutions work together to create extraordinary value for every resident. RHPL's collaboration with Dinosaur Hill Nature Preserve is a prime example of efficient governance. This partnership helps RHPL bring delightful programs to the library while Dinosaur Hill manages a native seed library that benefits our entire community, preventing an unnecessary duplication of services. Our mini-branch at OPC provides convenient access to library materials, and in turn, the OPC hosts specialized dementia-related programs for residents. These alliances allow each organization to shine in its area of expertise and deliver more complete services to you. And these are just a few examples of many partnerships that RHPL maintains. We encourage you to attend our non-profit fair on June 14<sup>th</sup> and learn more about other community organizations with which the library regularly partners.

The Michigan eLibrary (MeL) is a prime example of efficiency and resource-sharing. Perhaps our most comprehensive strategic partnership, RHPL patrons ensure we are one of the most active libraries in the system by taking full advantage of MeLCat interlibrary loans and essential MeL databases. Unfortunately, the fate of this service is in jeopardy and needs our support for continued funding beyond October 1, 2025. The withdrawal of federal funds has created uncertainty for library services statewide, but it also presents an opportunity for our community to champion a service that delivers tremendous value.

Rochester Hills residents wisely approved additional funding for the library in 2024, which provides RHPL with greater stability and more opportunities for growth than many other libraries, but our mission extends beyond our city limits. As stated in our board-approved principles, RHPL actively "seeks partnerships to advance our values." By advocating for MeL's continuation, we not only work to preserve these services for ourselves but also to support smaller communities across Michigan, reinforcing our reputation as a leader in the state.

I'm grateful to serve a community that understands the power of working together. I share this information so you can be informed and advocate for the library services that enrich our community. Our library's collaborative approach embodies the very essence of efficient public service, a standard to which all institutions should aspire. Together, we will continue building a resilient community through strategic partnerships and shared resources.

*Juliane Morian*  
Juliane Morian

### The Friends Store is Rockin'!

Who doesn't love a beautiful stone or rock? Back by popular demand, the Friends Store now has a new supply of stones ranging from amazonite to obsidian, and includes the much sought-after chrysanthemum stone. All available at the best prices in the area! Stop in soon for the best selection and support RHPL while you shop.



### Shop the Book Nook

Did you miss the booksale? Don't worry, the Book Nook is available all day, every day! Located in the West hallway next to the Fish Tank, this self-serve, honor-system shop includes new fiction, non-fiction, and cookbooks all for \$5 and under. Browse two shelves of \$1 youth books and pick up a puzzle for less than \$5! Shelves are restocked daily with incoming donations. Stop by the Book Nook and support the Friends and RHPL.



### Summer Used Book Sale

*Thursday, July 24, 10 a.m.-8 p.m.*

*Friday, July 25, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.*

*Saturday, July 26, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.*

*Sunday, July 27, 1:30-4:30 p.m. (Bag Day—all you can fit in a standard grocery bag goes for \$5)*

Long summer days mean more time to read! Stock up on new-to-you titles for your reading pile and support RHPL at the same time! From history books to popular fiction to puzzles and games, the bargains are all in the upstairs used book sale room. Presale opportunities for Friends members will be on Wednesday, July 23, from 5:30-8 p.m. (New member sign-ups and renewals are available at the door. See [rhpl.org/friends](http://rhpl.org/friends) for details.) All proceeds benefit the library.

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# A FAMILY PLACE LIBRARY

Rochester Hills Public Library has been part of the Family Place Libraries initiative (FPL) since 2015. Focused on fostering a community environment for families, RHPL earned this special designation by hosting Parent Child Workshops, providing specialized services, collections, and programs, maintaining well-designed and developmentally appropriate play spaces, and training staff in FPL practices. These services support families in those early years, reinforcing best practices for early childhood and connecting parents and caregivers to community support.







The Parent Child Workshop is a five-week program for toddlers and their parents or caregivers. Held in the fall and spring, it is an informal, play-based program with developmentally appropriate toys, books, and movement and art activities.

Each session in the Parent Child Workshop covers a different theme,

such as child development, speech, language and hearing, and the role music and movement play in child development. During the workshop, parents can talk with community resource professionals for more information or to address concerns about their child's development. And equally important, families can spend time together and make new friends in a relaxed and welcoming space.

In addition to the Parent Child Workshop, the Youth Services department has a variety of materials and activities available for children. Offering much more than books for all stages of development, families can check out audiobooks and audio-enabled books, magazines, movies, story kits, play and STEAM kits, puppets, and bilingual and language

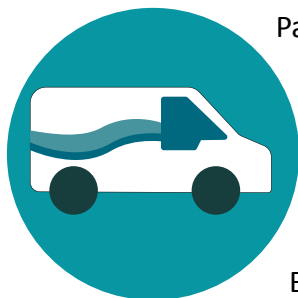
learning materials. The Parent Teacher

Collection has books about infant and child development, education, health, social-emotional learning, and other essential information.

Collections are thoughtfully arranged near a large play area featuring toys that encourage imaginative and social play.



Community outreach is another key component of Family Place Library services. RHPL's community bookmobile, Books On Board (BoB), travels throughout Rochester, Rochester Hills, and Oakland Township five days a week. The bookmobile brings library materials directly to patrons with limited transportation, abilities, and travel time. Families can check out items from the mobile collection or send main library holds for pickup, and enjoy outdoor storytimes at select BoB stops during the summer.



Patrons at lobby stops in senior living communities can check out books to read with their favorite young visitors.

Community outreach for our youngest patrons comes from the Big Blue Bus. This beloved early literacy program visits preschools and

childcare centers to bring storytimes and a mobile book collection to children ages birth to five.

During bi-weekly school visits, children have fun while developing language and pre-reading skills by moving along with music, reading, talking, and playing with RHPL's Early Literacy Librarian. They get to choose their own books from a specialized collection, which is crucial in fostering interest and joy in reading, and teachers have an opportunity to select books for their classrooms. The Big Blue Bus builds strong relationships with early childhood centers, delivers information about RHPL's services, and introduces children to the library, many of whom may be unable to visit with their families during busy work weeks.

Far from being an honorary designation, Family Place Libraries work with their community to assemble resources in one friendly place, making it easier for families to raise readers, play, and spend quality time with each other. If you haven't visited us yet, this summer is a great time to bring your family together at RHPL.





## Outreach Services

For a complete listing of all of our programs, detailed descriptions, and to register, visit [calendar.rhpl.org](http://calendar.rhpl.org) or scan the QR code. Registration opens one month in advance of the program. Questions? Call 248-650-7150 or email [help@rhpl.org](mailto:help@rhpl.org).

### ELL Conversation Groups

*Tuesdays, June 10 -July 29, 10-11:30 a.m. Conference Room A*  
*Thursdays, June 12-July 31, 7-8:30 p.m. Conference Room A*  
*Saturdays, June 14-August 2, 10-11:30 a.m. Conference Room A*

Our conversation groups are a time to come together and discuss hometowns, food, hobbies, jobs, and other informal topics. Joining a group will introduce you to new friends and a great time! For further information, contact [Mariano.Cadiz@rhpl.org](mailto:Mariano.Cadiz@rhpl.org). Registration is required.



### Digital RHPL 101 Series

Learn how to use RHPL's popular digital resources, available for free with your library card! Registration is required.



### Digital News and Magazines

*Thursday, June 12, 2 p.m. Multipurpose Room*

Access resources like *The Wall Street Journal* and *The New York Times*.

### Pronunciator

*Thursday, July 17, 2 p.m. Multipurpose Room*

Learn a new language with the Pronunciator app.

### Libby

*Thursday, August 14, 2 p.m. Conference Room A*

Check out eBooks and eAudiobooks on your phone, tablet, or computer. Please bring your personal devices with you.

## RHPL on the Road

### Books with BoB

Come meet BoB for stories, songs, and rhymes! Don't forget to bring a blanket and snacks. No registration required.

### Hampton Community Center

*Tuesdays, June 10, July 8, August 5, 7:30-8 p.m.*

### Borden Park

*Wednesdays, June 18, July 16, August 13, 9:30-10 a.m.*

### Timberlea Apartments

*Saturdays, June 28, July 26, August 23, 1:30-2 p.m.*

### Summer Bookmobile Schedule Changes

*New Stop: Wednesdays 10:30-11 a.m.*

*Islamic Association of Greater Detroit (IAGD), 879 W. Auburn Road, Rochester Hills*

Due to low attendance, we will no longer stop at Whole Foods and are introducing a new stop beginning June 4. See you there!

### New Early Literacy Bus Ribbon Cutting

*Saturday, June 14, 11:45 a.m., West Parking Lot*

Are you a former Blue Bus kid, their grown-up(s), teacher, or former Blue Bus staff? You are cordially invited to the ribbon cutting for our new early literacy mobile. Stick around for a tour of the inside and free family fun during our Summer Reading Kickoff.



## Adult Programs

For a complete listing of all of our programs, detailed descriptions, and to register, visit [calendar.rhpl.org](http://calendar.rhpl.org) or scan the QR code. Registration opens one month in advance of the program. Questions? Call 248-650-7130 or email [help@rhpl.org](mailto:help@rhpl.org).

### Spice Club

*Pick up begins June 2, July 2, August 2.*

#### Take & Make

Expand your culinary horizons and learn recipes from all over the world! Registrants will receive a small amount of a spice and accompanying recipe(s) to take home. Registration is required.

### Open Board Gaming

*Sundays, June 8, July 13, August 10, 1-5:30 p.m. Conference Room A*

Looking to play a new game or maybe meet fellow board gaming friends? We will have different games available but feel free to bring one of your favorites from home! Sign up to be reminded the day before the event. No registration required.



### Know-It-All Trivia Smackdown!

*Mondays, June 9, August 11, 7 p.m. Main Street Billiards, Solarium area (215 S. Main St.)*

Meet up with us at Main Street Billiards with a team of up to six people and see if you have what it takes to be crowned champions! The top team will win a prize. Food and drinks available for purchase. Registration is required.

*June 9: Broadway & Movie Musicals*

*August 11: 70s, '80s, and '90s Culture and Music*



### Michigan Treasure Hunters Club

*Tuesday, June 10, 7 p.m. Multipurpose room*

Learn all about the Michigan Treasure Hunters Club, the unique and exciting hobby of metal detecting, and the treasures they've unearthed. Registration is required.

### Talk on safety from Rochester Chief of Police George T. Rouhib Jr.

*Wednesday, June 11, 7 p.m. Multipurpose Room*

Participants will be educated on various scams and frauds and how to prevent becoming a victim. Participants will also be educated on making one's home safe. Registration is required.

### The Enduring Popularity of *Murder, She Wrote* and Cozy Mysteries

*Thursday, June 12, 7 p.m. Multipurpose Room*

Bridget Kies, author of a new book about *Murder, She Wrote*, describes what led to the TV show's special blend of success and what impact it's had on books, television, and film mysteries today. Registration is required.

### Cozy Mystery Introvert Reading Party

*Thursday, June 19, 7-9 p.m.*

#### Fireplace Lounge

Bring your favorite whodunnit or scan the QR code for recommended reads. No socialization required.



### Drop-In Genealogy Help

*Saturdays, June 14, July 12, August 9, 2 p.m.*

#### Conference Room B or Virtual

Need a little help jump-starting your family research? Stop by and get tips and tricks from our volunteer genealogist, Heather! Registration is required.

### Speed Friending for Adults!

*Thursday, June 19, 6-8 p.m. Multipurpose Room*

Come expand your social circle while building meaningful connections! Registration is required.



## Pride Crafts for Adults

*Saturday, June 21, 1 p.m. Conference Room A*



If you celebrate LGBTQ+ Pride Month, what better way to commemorate it than with community, conversation, and crafts! We'll have supplies for custom buttons and perler beads, or bring a project of your own. No registration required.

## Pedal the Past

*Tuesday, June 24. All ages. Tours leave at 6:00, 6:15, 6:30, and 6:45 p.m. West Parking Lot*

Enjoy a leisurely bike ride through Rochester's spectacular past. Travel to Rochester's first 20th-century subdivision, an 89-year-old pine grove, a house built with brick from a failed sugar beet plant, and explore milling history below the bridge. Registration is required.

## Give It A Try with Our Innovative Items Collection

*Tuesdays, July 1, 15, 29, Saturdays, July 12, 26. 1-3 p.m. RHPL Lobby*

Try out our exclusive tools and tech from the Innovative Items Collection! No registration required.



## Scribes Writers Workshop

*Wednesdays, June 25, July 23, August 27, 1-4 p.m. Conference Room B*

This drop-in workshop is for those who love to write, want to learn from experienced writers, and want to let their writing ideas flow. Members will write on a given topic or thought-starter and give and take positive feedback. No registration required.

## Improv for Everyone

*Thursdays, June 26, July 24, August 28, 7 p.m. Multipurpose Room*

*Please register for one session only.*

*Duplicate registrations will be canceled.*

Seasoned instructors from Planet Ant will guide you through a fun-filled, high-energy workshop exploring the art of improv. You'll laugh, get silly, and discover ways improv helps us connect, listen, and think on our feet. No experience needed, just a willingness to have fun! Registration is required.



## The Enchanted Season: The Detroit Tigers and the World Series

*Tuesday, July 8, 7 p.m. Multipurpose Room*

A thrilling behind-the-scenes recounting of the 1984 Detroit Tigers' winning season. Registration is required.

## Wicked Good Sing-a-long

*Saturday, July 12, 6:30 p.m. Multipurpose Room*

Release your inner theater kid and join us for a sing-a-long viewing of *Wicked*. Popcorn and drinks will be provided. Costumes welcome! Registration is required.

## Detroit Riverfront Conservancy

*Thursday, July 17, 6:30 p.m. Multipurpose Room*

Learn about the history of the Detroit Riverfront and its transformation from an industrial and inaccessible site to the #1 Riverwalk in the USA! Registration is required.

## Pewabic: Detroit's Pottery

*Thursday, August 14, 7 p.m. Multipurpose Room*

A look into the 122-year history of Detroit's iconic Pewabic Pottery, one of the oldest continually operating potteries in the country. Registration is required.

## Your DTE: Clean Energy & Reliability Investments

*Thursday, August 21, 7 p.m. Multipurpose Room*

Learn about DTE's 4-point reliability and renewable energy plans. Representatives will be on hand to answer any questions about your service. Presented in partnership with DTE. Registration is required.



# BOOK CLUBS

## 50 Books in a Year

January 2025 - December 2025. [rhpl.beanstack.org](http://rhpl.beanstack.org)

Read and earn badges to win prizes and be entered into grand prize drawings at the end of the year.

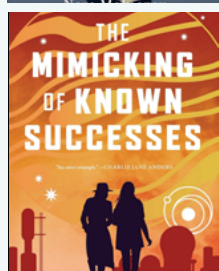


### Books on Tap

Monday, July 14, 7 p.m. Main Street Billiards, VIP room

Meet at Main Street Billiards (215 S. Main St) for a casual book club in a relaxed setting. We'll talk about books and enjoy Main Street Billiards' delicious food and drinks. Copies of the book are available at the Adult Reference desk. Registration is required.

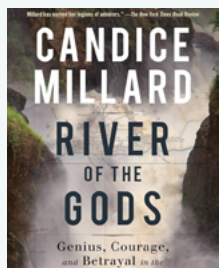
*It's Okay to Laugh (Crying Is Cool Too)* by Nora McInerny Purmort



### Reading Rainbow

Mondays, June 30, July 28, August 25, 7-8:30 p.m. Conference Room B

A book group for people interested in reading and discussing fiction, memoirs, and graphic novels that reflect the diversity of the queer experience. Titles will be selected with participant input at meetings; see [calendar.rhpl.org](http://calendar.rhpl.org) for more information. Copies of the book are available at the Adult Reference desk, or online through Libby or Hoopla. Registration is required.

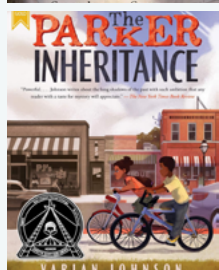


### Between the Lines

Tuesday, June 17, 2 p.m. Library Garden

Join RHPL's lively monthly book discussion! Pick up a copy of the book at the Adult Reference Desk or download the audiobook from the Libby app. Registration is required.

*River of the Gods: Genius, Courage, and Betrayal in the Search for the Source of the Nile* by Candice Millard



### Intergenerational Book Club

Saturday, July 12, 1 p.m. Adults and Youth ages 10 and up. Conference Room A

Create cross-generational connections and enjoy a slice of pizza! Moderated by an Adult and Youth Librarian, kids and adults can speak on equal footing as they discuss the Middle School novel, *The Parker Inheritance* by Varian Johnson. Copies are available at the Adult and Youth desks. Registration is required.



## Extended Library Hours

Do summer Sundays have you sweating? Thanks to the generous approval of our millage from Rochester Hills voters, RHPL will be open on Sundays all year long beginning this summer! Enjoy a good book, let the kids play, or just soak up some air conditioning in a comfy chair.

## Red Cross Blood Drive

*Monday, July 21, 12-6 p.m.*

*Multipurpose Room*

To schedule an appointment, visit [RedCrossBlood.org](http://RedCrossBlood.org) and enter sponsor code: RHLIBRARY or call 1-800-RED-CROSS (1-800-733-2767). Registration is required.

## Safety Season with Henry Ford Health

### Bike Helmet Safety

*Wednesday, June 25, 10 a.m.*

*Toddler-elementary age. Multipurpose Room*

A fun and interactive way to use your head! Learn about bike safety and helmet use from Henry Ford Health. Registered children will get a free book and a fitted helmet. Registration is required for each child attending.

### Car Seat Safety

*Wednesday, July 23, 10 a.m. All ages.*

*Multipurpose Room*

Travel safely this summer! Learn about new car seat laws and sign up to get your seat checked. Participants will get a free book. Registration is required.

## Concerts

*6 p.m. West Lawn. Registration is required.*

*Rain location: Multipurpose Room*

### Sheila Landis

*Wednesday, June 25*

A "jazz spin" on many of the best-loved pop songs of 60s and 70s backed by her well-oiled quartet of guitar, bass, and drums.

### Still Running Band

*Tuesday, July 22*

Still Running is known for their harmonies, timeless cover selections, unique arrangements, and thought-provoking and entertaining original music.

### Thirty Year Divide

*Tuesday, August 12*

Two best friends coming together to bring joy through music.



ROCHESTER HILLS PUBLIC LIBRARY

**SUMMER**  
READING

## RHPL Summer Reading Challenge

*June 14-August 9. All ages. [rhpl.beanstack.org](http://rhpl.beanstack.org)*

Read and win this summer with RHPL!

Use your existing Beanstack account or sign up at [rhpl.beanstack.org](http://rhpl.beanstack.org) to track your reading every week. Display your Spread Library Love sign for an extra chance to win during our summer reading sweepstakes. Didn't get a sign last year? Stop in after you sign up and pick one up at the Adult, Outreach, or Youth desk.

## Summer Reading Kickoff

*Saturday, June 14, 12-2 p.m. All ages.*

*Library Lawn*

Register for summer reading from the comfort of home, and then come to RHPL for summer fun! Enjoy sweet treats and free family entertainment. Visit our non-profit fair to connect with local organizations that can help this summer and all year long. Take a part of RHPL home with you at our potting bench and bring your own propagated pals to swap with other plant parents. No registration required.

## Summer Reading Sunset Block Party

*Friday, August 8, 6-8 p.m. All ages. Library Lawn*

Back by popular demand, the RHPL sunset block party is bigger than ever this year. Peruse a classic car show, participate in our sidewalk chalk art contest, boogie to live music, and enjoy free treats and fun for the whole family. Register for a sidewalk canvas at [calendar.rhpl.org](http://calendar.rhpl.org). No registration required for the rest of the fun.





# the Makerspace

at Rochester Hills Public Library



## Makerspace Programs

For a complete listing of all of our programs, detailed descriptions, and to register, visit [calendar.rhpl.org](http://calendar.rhpl.org) or scan the QR code. Registration opens one month in advance of the program. Programs begin promptly at their listed start time. Questions? Call 248-650-7170 or email [help@rhpl.org](mailto:help@rhpl.org).

### Intro to Electrical Soldering for Adults

*Wednesdays, June 4, August 6, 6-8 p.m.*

Learn some basic skills in soldering electronics as we assemble a small circuit board. This event will require a lot of dexterity as we will be manipulating small pieces. Please note, this session will begin promptly at 6 p.m. Registration is required.

### Intro to Dungeons & Dragons for Adults

*Wednesdays, June 11, July 9, August 20, 6-8 p.m.*

Discover the magic of Dungeons & Dragons in this fun introductory event! Get a brief overview of character creation, storytelling, and gameplay, followed by a mini-adventure led by an experienced Dungeon Master. No prior experience needed. Please note, this program is for beginners. This session will begin promptly at 6 p.m. Registration is required.

### Youth Intro to Tinkercad 3D Modeling

*Wednesdays, July 23, August 27, 6-8 p.m.*

*Ages 10 and up.*

We will run through the basics of using Tinkercad, what makes a good 3D print model, and finish off with a free 3D print of the model we create. Please note, this session will begin promptly at 6 p.m. Registration is required.

### Cyanotype Prints

*Wednesdays, June 18, July 16, 2:30-4:30 p.m.*

*Ages 10 and up.*

Cyanotypes use sunlight to make beautiful blue paper prints. Bring your own objects, such as flowers, leaves, and other interesting shapes, to explore how cyanotype printing works. This program may be rescheduled due to weather conditions. Please note, this session will begin promptly at 2:30 p.m. Registration is required.

# You can definitely DIY that...



Check out a palm sander, cordless drill, toolbox, and more from the Innovative Items Collection. Scan the QR code or visit [rhpl.org/iic](http://rhpl.org/iic) for more.





## Teen Programs

For a complete listing of all of our programs, detailed descriptions, and to register, visit [calendar.rhpl.org](http://calendar.rhpl.org) or scan the QR code. Registration opens one month in advance of the program. Questions? Call 248-650-7130 or email [help@rhpl.org](mailto:help@rhpl.org).

### Video Game Evening

*Wednesdays, June 4, July 9, August 6.  
Multipurpose Room/Conference Room*

Show your skills in one of our monthly video game tournaments!

### Teen Board Game Evening

*Wednesdays, June 11, July 16, August 13.  
Conference Room A*

Come cool off and play some board games with like-minded friends. Bring your own or play the ones provided.

### Battlebots and Robotics

*Wednesdays, June 18, July 23, August 20.  
Conference Room A*

Come learn about making a mini robot and do battle with it at the end of the session. Teams will vie for the best battlebot. At the end, a live demonstration of an area robotics team will show off what they've built and how they use it.

### RHPL Players Guild (RPG)

*Wednesdays, June 25, July 30, August 27.  
Conference Room A*

Join other teens for tabletop games, including board games, card games, role-playing games, and more! If you are interested in becoming a dungeon master for D&D or leading a specific board game, email [teen@rhpl.org](mailto:teen@rhpl.org) for more information.

### College Readiness Crash Course

*Saturday, July 12, 1-3 p.m. Multipurpose Room*

Get a small crash course in what to expect for your first year in college. Learn tips and tricks to help you succeed in your first experience away from home. This class aims to help develop the set of skills, behaviors, and knowledge a high school student should have before enrollment in their first year of college. Registration is required.



### Nerf @ Night

*Friday, July 18, 6:45-9 p.m. Ages 13-18*

What's more fun than a Nerf battle? A Nerf battle in the library after hours! We're taking over the library for an epic Nerf war after the library closes. Register with your RHPL card, which can admit up to two people. Registration is required.

Show them  
your new  
hobby *isn't*  
just a phase.

Check out instruments, cameras, craft kits, and more from the Innovative Items Collection.



Scan the QR code or visit [rhpl.org/iic](http://rhpl.org/iic)







## Youth Programs

For a complete listing of all of our programs, detailed descriptions, and to register, visit [calendar.rhpl.org](http://calendar.rhpl.org) or scan the QR code. Registration opens one week in advance of the program. Questions? Call 248-650-7140 or email [help@rhpl.org](mailto:help@rhpl.org).

### Evening Family Storytime

*Monday, June 9, 7 p.m. All Ages. Storyroom*

Join Miss Kim for a special themed storytime for the whole family. Registration is required.

### Storytime in the Park

*June 9, 17, 25, July 3, 7, 15, 23, 31, August 4, 11 a.m. All ages. Rochester Lions Park*

Join your favorite youth librarians for a fun storytime in the park! No registration required.

### Outdoor Explorers

*Mondays, June 9–July 28, 10 a.m. Ages 3-6. Rotary Park*

Come learn about nature as we explore the world outside of RHPL! Siblings are welcome, but projects will be limited to registered patrons 3-6 years old. Separate registration is required for each date.



### Ceiling Tile Picassos Take & Make (and return): Pokémon Edition!

*Monday, June 9–Saturday, June 14. Ages 6-12. Youth Room*

Become a Ceiling Tile Picasso with your favorite Pokémon card! 'Canvases' can be picked up at the Youth Services desk. Returned 'Pokémon Cards' will be displayed overhead in the Youth Room. Registration is required.

### PAWS for Reading

*Wednesdays, June 11, 25, July 9, 23, August 13, 27, 6:30 p.m. Ages 4 and up. Youth Room*

Practice your reading with a therapy dog. Separate registration is required for each date.

### Summertime & Road Trip BINGO

*Wednesday, June 11–Friday, August 8. All ages.*

*Youth Room*

Grab a Summertime BINGO card or a Road Trip BINGO card for activity ideas and challenges! Pick up a small prize at the Youth Desk when you complete a BINGO. No registration required.

**BINGO!**

## Summer Family Concert Series

*6 p.m. All Ages. Library Lawn. Registration is required. Rain location: Multipurpose Room.*

### Wendy & D.B.

*Wednesday, June 18*

With two guitars, a ukulele, and their voices, Wendy and D.B. write and perform catchy songs about science, nature, diversity, animals, safety, and the arts.

### Beverly Meyer, The Music Lady

*Wednesday, July 16*

With her guitar in hand and energy that knows how to reach the imaginations and attention of young audiences, Beverly charms all with her compelling voice and quick wit.

### Joe Reilly

*Wednesday, August 20*

Joe Reilly writes songs from his heart that are playful, clever, engaging, joyful, and always have something meaningful to say.



### Book & Movie Club

*Thursdays, June 12, July 17, August 7, 6 p.m.  
Ages 5-8. Storyroom*

Dive into classic stories with us as we read a picture book and watch the movie based on that book! Separate registration is required for each date.

### Library Garden Rock Snake Take & Make

*Saturday, June 14-Saturday, August 9. All Ages.  
Youth Room*

Stop by the Youth Services desk to get a rock to paint. Bring your painted rock back to the Youth Desk to add to our rock snake in the back garden. No registration required.

### Summer Creative Writing Extravaganza!

*June 16, 24, 30, July 9, 14, 21, 30, August 6,  
6 p.m. Ages 9-12. Multipurpose Room*

Join us for creative writing paired with other fun activities like crafts and food tasting! Separate registration is required for each date.



### LEGO® Club

*Tuesdays, June 17, July 15, August 26, 6 p.m.  
Ages 4 and up. Multipurpose Room*

The only thing you need to bring is your creativity! Leave your bricks at home—our library has all the colorful LEGO® pieces you need. Separate registration is required for each date.

### Teddy Bear Picnic

*Thursday, June 19, 12 p.m. Ages 2 and up.  
Library Lawn*

Bring a blanket, food, and your child's favorite teddy bear or stuffie for a storytime and picnic on the lawn! Drinks provided. No registration required.



### American Girl Party!

*Friday, June 20, 11 a.m. Ages 6-12. Storyroom*

Bring your American Girl doll for crafts and an American Girl Fashion Show. Enjoy a sweet treat and meet other American Girl fans. Registration is required.

### Pokédex Scavenger Hunt

*June 23-29. All Ages. Youth Room*

Join us for a Pokédex Scavenger Hunt featuring 16 different Pokémon hidden around the youth services department! No registration required.

### Tween Book Club

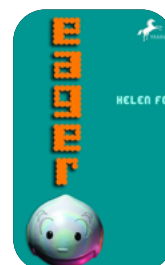
*Wednesdays, June 25, July 23, August 13, 6 p.m.  
Ages 9-12. Rotary Park Gazebo*

Talk about books, eat pizza, and play an outdoor game. Pick up books at the Youth Services Desk one month in advance. Separate registration is required for each date.

June 25: *Stargazing* by Jen Wang

July 23: *Eager* by Helen Fox

August 13: *Pashmina* by Nidhi Ghanani



### Tents & Twine: Camping Essentials

*Thursday, June 26, 2 p.m. Ages 7-12.*

*Library Lawn*

Practice fun, hands-on camping skills with Miss Lisa! Work with a team to set up a tent, try rolling a sleeping bag on your own, and practice knot-tying. Registration is required.

### Toddler Drum Circle

*Friday, June 27, 10 a.m. Ages 2-4. Library Lawn*

Bring a blanket and join us on the library lawn for a toddler drum circle! Drum along to fun songs with our toy percussion instruments. Registration is required.



## Stories Under the Stars

Thursday, July 10, 6:30 p.m. All ages.

Multipurpose Room



Bring your own blankets or sheets to build an indoor fort! Enjoy a starry sky, a story around our indoor "campfire," and cozy reading in your handmade forts.

Registration is required.

## Intergenerational Book Club

Saturday, July 12, 1 p.m. Adults and Youth Ages 10 and up. Conference Room A

Create cross-generational connections and enjoy a slice of pizza! Moderated by an Adult and Youth Librarian, kids and adults can speak on equal footing as they discuss the Middle School novel, *The Parker Inheritance* by Varian Johnson. Copies are available at the Adult and Youth desks. Registration is required.

## Mom & Baby Book Club

Monday, July 14, 10:30 a.m. Moms and infants ages birth to 12 months. Storyroom

Listen to or read *Remarkably Bright Creatures* by Shelby VanPelt for yourself, and *Octopus Escapes* by Nathaniel Lachenmeyer to your baby. Talk about both books with other moms and create an octopus keepsake with your baby. Both titles are available on Hoopla for free from RHPL. Registration is required.

## Race those Babies!

Saturday, July 19, 10 a.m. Crawling babies up to 18 months old. Multipurpose Room

On your mark! Get set! Go! We're off to the Baby Races. Small prizes will be awarded to our racers. Registration is required.



## Mom's Walking Club

Thursdays, July 24, 31, Aug 7, 14, 21, 10 a.m.

Ages 0-3 years. West Entrance

Meet new friends, get moving, and learn how early literacy shapes your child's future academic success. Walks will be approximately one mile and end in Rochester Municipal Park with a brief storytime. Registration is required.

## Paint A Pet

Tuesday, July 29, 6:30 p.m. Ages 8 and up.

Storyroom

Learn a simple technique to create beautiful pet portraits! We'll provide everything you need, including pet portraits and paints. Registration is required.



## Parent Tween Crafternoon

Monday, August 4, 2 p.m. Ages 9-12. Storyroom

Tweens and their parents are invited to join us for a special crafternoon at the library! Enjoy time together while creating some beautiful crafts and memories. Registration is required.

## Teacup Fairy Garden

Tuesday, August 5, 6 p.m. Ages 5-12. Storyroom

Join Ms. Lucia to make a fairy garden inside a teacup. All supplies will be available, but you are welcome to bring your own special teacup. Registration is required.

## Elephant Scavenger Hunt

August 11-17, All Ages.

Youth Room

World Elephant Day is August 12! Celebrate with an Elephant Scavenger Hunt in the Youth Services Department. No registration required.





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