

Rochester Hills Public Library
500 Olde Towne Road, Rochester, MI

Mission:

Rochester Hills Public Library empowers people to explore and create with resources that enlighten, educate, entertain, and inform.

August 8, 2022 – 8 p.m.

Agenda

- I. Public Hearing on the proposed 2023 RHPL Budget
- II. Call to order of the regular meeting
- III. Public Comments*
- IV. Minutes of regular meeting on July 11, 2022
- V. Treasurer’s Report for July 2022
- VI. Monthly bills for July 2022 in the amount of \$321,937.05
- VII. Communications
 - a. Customer Comments
 - b. Fall 2022 News & Views Newsletter
 - c. Press Coverage
- VIII. Reports
 - a. Library Director
 - b. Statistical Report
- IX. Committee Updates
 - a. Finance – adopt 2023 budget plan and resolution to appropriate funds
 - b. Policy
 - i. MGT-7 Materials Reconsideration Policy, Form – updates process for patrons to pursue when objecting to materials in the collection
 - ii. MGT-17 Capital Asset Policy – newly proposed policy
 - iii. GOV-7 Whistleblower Policy – new proposed policy
- X. Other Business
 - a. Preview of RHPL website

*Each individual should state their name and are permitted 3 minutes of comment time

- XI. Board Comments
- XII. Questions from the Liaisons
- XIII. Adjournment

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Minutes



ROCHESTER HILLS
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**Rochester Hills Public Library
Board of Trustees Meeting**

July 11, 2022

- I. The Board of Trustees of the Rochester Hills Public Library held a regular meeting on Monday, July 11, 2022. The President called the meeting to order at 8:01 pm in the boardroom of the library. The presiding officer was Madge Lawson.

A quorum of the board was present including Robert Bonam, Melinda Deel, Anne Kucher, Julianne Reyes, and Chuck Stouffer.

Guests included Library Director Juliane Morian, City of Rochester Liaison Alice Moo, and Oakland Township Library Board President, Michael Tyler.

One member of the public was present.

- II. Public comments: none

- III. Minutes – On a motion by Ms. Kucher, which Mr. Stouffer seconded, the board discussed adopting the minutes from June 13, 2022.

- A. Mr. Stouffer requested that point IX. B. be corrected to show that the “board adjourned to a closed session to receive a statement of concern.”
- B. Ms. Reyes requested different wording to summarize her comments in regards to the material challenge discussed in June. She said she would follow up via email.
- C. With changes pending, the board voted unanimously against the motion to approve the minutes from June 11, 2022. Ms. Morian noted that the minutes from June 11, 2022 would remain in draft form per the Open Meetings Act.

- IV. Treasurer’s Report was reviewed and filed.

- V. Monthly Bills

- A. Ms. Morian distributed an updated Supplemental Information page for monthly bills.
- B. On a motion by Mr. Bonam, which Ms. Reyes seconded, the board unanimously approved the monthly bills for June 2022, which totaled \$874,808.24.

- VI. Communications

- A. The board reviewed and filed the communications with minor discussion regarding RHPL programming decisions.
 1. Ms. Reyes questioned if the board should exert control over the specific types of programs offered at the library.
 2. Mr. Stouffer commented that it is not the board’s job to make specific program decisions (in the same way they do not make specific collection development decisions). He said that the board sets policy to offer programming, but specific

decisions about the type and content of programs is a task delegated to the staff under the direction of the library director.

3. Ms. Morian stated that professional training and research on community demographics informs programming choices and she welcomes feedback on gaps in programming.

VII. Director's Report and Statistical Report

- A. The board reviewed and filed the director's report, statistical report with no major discussion.
- B. The board reviewed the RHPL Strategic Plan: 2022 Mid-Year Update
 1. Ms. Kucher commented that she appreciates seeing the many things the library is doing throughout the year.
 2. Mr. Tyler commented that he would like to see the library appoint a Digital Services Librarian similar to the dedicated School Outreach Librarian.

VIII. Committee Reports

- A. Finance committee met on June 22, 2022 for an in-depth review of the proposed 2023 RHPL Budget. Ms. Morian reviewed the budget with the full board and confirmed that the Board would hold a public hearing on the proposed budget at their August meeting.
- B. Policy committee met on June 27, 2022 to prepare policy updates to the full board.
 1. On a motion by Ms. Deel, which Ms. Kucher seconded, the board discussed adoption of WORK-11 Employee Social Use of Social Media Policy (recommended by the library attorney).
 - a. Mr. Stouffer objected to this policy on the basis that it limits employees' freedom of speech on their own (non-work) time.
 - b. Mr. Stouffer said that the proposed policy was unnecessary because illegal or inappropriate behavior that harmed the workplace would be routinely be addressed by a supervisor if it came to their attention.
 - c. Ms. Deel commented that an employee posting inappropriate information on public forums could harm the library as a trusted and respected institution in the community. She said that this policy creates a framework to inform staff that there may be consequences for inappropriate social media posts. Discussion ensued.
 - d. Ms. Kucher moved to end discussion, seconded by Ms. Deel.

Roll call vote:

3 in favor: Deel, Kucher, Lawson

3 opposed: Bonam, Reyes, Stouffer

The vote was a tie, and the motion to end discussion and proceed with a vote did not pass.

Discussion continued.

- e. Some board members expressed a desire to hear from an additional labor attorney regarding the need for this policy.

- f. At the conclusion of discussion, Ms. Lawson called a vote on the original motion to approve the WORK-11 Employee Use of Social Media Policy.

Roll call vote:

3 in favor: Deel, Kucher, Lawson

3 opposed: Bonam, Reyes, Stouffer

The vote was a tie and the motion to approve Work-11 Employee Use of Social Media did not pass.

Ms. Lawson directed Ms. Morian to seek out another attorney's opinion on the policy.

- C. On a motion by Mr. Bonam, which Ms. Deel seconded, the board unanimously approved Circ-2 Loan and Renewal Policy and Circ-4 Fines and Fee Policy without a second reading.
- D. On a motion by Ms. Deel, which Mr. Bonam seconded, the board discussed adoption of MGT-14 Volunteer and PERF-1 Positions and Standards Policy without a second reading.
 - 1. Ms. Kucher requested that additional wording be added to each level of staff seniority in PERF-1, 4.B. to indicate, "followed by the remaining" roles for each line accordingly.
 - 2. Mr. Tyler stated that he felt the Board should retain control over naming positions and determining the head count within. The Board did not pursue Mr. Tyler's recommendation.
 - 3. At the conclusion of discussion, Ms. Lawson called for a vote and the board unanimously approved MGT-14 Volunteer Policy and PERF-1 Positions and Standards Policy without a second reading.
- E. On a motion by Mr. Stouffer, which Ms. Reyes seconded, the board unanimously approved an amendment to the agenda to move the final three policies for consideration to next month's agenda.

IX. Other Business: none

X. Board Comments

- A. Ms. Reyes stated that she appreciated the conversation of the Board even when the topics are heated.
- B. Ms. Lawson complimented the successful completion of the paving project in the west and south lots.

XI. Questions from the Liaisons

- A. Mr. Tyler requested that liaisons be included in the email distribution of draft minutes and there were no objections to this request.

XII. The regular meeting adjourned at 9:56 pm.

Chuck Stouffer, Secretary

Treasurer's Report



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Rochester Hills Public Library
Budget vs Actual
For the Period January 1, 2022 through July 31, 2022

	Current Month Actual	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	YTD Variance	Annual Budget
Revenues					
Rochester Hills	0	2,941,016	2,902,800	38,216	2,902,800
City of Rochester	179,228	463,360	431,031	32,329	518,690
Oakland Twp	0	835,965	833,285	2,680	909,700
State Aid	20,537	94,459	90,206	4,253	132,500
OTBS	0	158,640	158,640	0	158,640
Penal Fines	0	0	0	0	138,400
Fines and Fees	4,001	34,611	36,167	(1,556)	62,000
Interest	1,264	8,761	7,000	1,761	12,000
Gains/Losses	7,305	(34,659)	0	(34,659)	0
Designated Gifts	250	6,960	0	6,960	170,000
Undesignated Gifts	688	4,729	0	4,729	38,345
Undesignated Gifts-Friends	0	0	0	0	0
Grants	0	2,742	2,333	409	4,000
Miscellaneous Revenue	38	63	4,667	(4,604)	8,000
Transfer-ReservedOTBS	0	0	5,833	(5,833)	10,000
Transfer-ReservedPlant	0	0	0	0	0
Total Revenues	213,311	4,516,647	4,471,962	44,685	5,065,075
Expenditures					
Payroll	165,960	1,251,078	1,446,900	(195,822)	2,480,400
Employee Benefits	43,900	328,587	402,676	(74,089)	690,300
Books	24,479	172,037	177,918	(5,881)	305,000
Print Subscriptions	567	12,137	9,042	3,095	15,500
Electronic Materials	20,201	171,608	185,850	(14,242)	318,600
Innovative Items	3,316	14,794	14,583	211	25,000
Audiovisual	5,604	46,217	79,275	(33,058)	135,900
Bookmobile Operation	1,261	10,826	15,167	(4,341)	26,000
OTBS	1	976	3,792	(2,816)	6,500
Voice and Data Services	709	7,470	15,167	(7,697)	26,000
Utilities	13,646	98,760	85,167	13,593	146,000
Insurance	0	353	11,083	(10,730)	19,000
Professional/Contract Services	2,270	40,272	46,084	(5,812)	79,000
Supplies	2,052	10,923	16,625	(5,702)	28,500
Promotion and Printing	197	22,855	27,184	(4,329)	46,600
Mileage	61	622	2,917	(2,295)	5,000
Postage	644	14,600	14,700	(100)	25,200
Staff Development/Membership	5,382	19,247	20,811	(1,564)	35,675
Programs	2,278	18,349	30,917	(12,568)	53,000
Facilities Maintenance	20,900	115,761	130,783	(15,022)	224,200
IT Maintenance	1,059	86,717	55,066	31,651	94,400
Staff/Volunteer Recognition	58	3,799	4,550	(751)	7,800
Gift and Grant Expense	492	8,312	0	8,312	0
Tax Tribunal Refunds	0	0	292	(292)	500
Equipment/Fixed Assets	0	6,840	69,417	(62,577)	119,000
Furnishings	0	0	6,417	(6,417)	11,000
Capital Improvements	3,296	505,532	23,917	481,615	41,000
Contingency	0	0	58,333	(58,333)	100,000
Total Expenditures	318,333	2,968,672	2,954,633	14,039	5,065,075
Revenue Over Expenditures	(105,022)	1,547,975	1,517,329	30,646	0

ROCHESTER HILLS PUBLIC LIBRARY
Balance Sheet
July 31, 2022

ASSETS

Current Assets

Circ Registers/Coin	\$	2,020.00	
PNC			
Operating - PNC		57,429.19	
Payroll		250.00	
UBS			
Operating - UBS		2,758,896.04	
OTBS		0.00	
Plant		116,998.53	
Roof		434,887.79	
Self-Insurance		7,502.28	
Vanguard		16,601.60	

Total Current Assets			3,394,585.43
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Other Current Assets

Total Other Current Assets			0.00
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TOTAL ASSETS			\$ 3,394,585.43
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LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE

Current Liabilities

Staff Cash (pop cans)	\$	122.10	
Flexible Spending W/H Payable		5,589.65	
Supplemental Ins W/H Payable		500.81	

Total Current Liabilities			6,212.56
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Fund Balance

Prior Years' Balance		1,840,398.81	
Current Year Operations		1,547,974.06	

Total Fund Balance			3,388,372.87
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TOTAL LIABILITIES & FUND BALANCE			\$ 3,394,585.43
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Monthly Bills



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Payment Information		
Payment Due Date	For online and phone payments, the deadline is 8pm ET.	
Aug 11, 2022		
New Balance	Minimum Payment Due	
\$9,318.49	\$93.00	
<p>LATE PAYMENT WARNING: If we do not receive your minimum payment by your due date, you may have to pay a \$39.00 late fee and your APRs may be increased up to the Penalty APR of 29.65%.</p> <p>MINIMUM PAYMENT WARNING: If you make only the minimum payment each period, you will pay more in interest and it will take you longer to pay off your balance. For example:</p>		
If you make no additional charges using this card and each month you pay...	You will pay off the balance shown on this statement in about...	And you will end up paying an estimated total of...
Minimum Payment	30 Years	\$26,736
\$358	3 Years	\$12,897
Estimated savings if balance is paid off in about 3 years: \$13,839		
If you would like information about credit counseling services, call 1-888-326-8055.		

Account Summary	
Previous Balance	\$4,904.04
Payments	- \$4,904.04
Other Credits	- \$6.59
Transactions	+ \$9,325.08
Cash Advances	+ \$0.00
Fees Charged	+ \$0.00
Interest Charged	+ \$0.00
New Balance	= \$9,318.49
Credit Limit	\$30,000.00
Available Credit (as of Jul 17, 2022)	\$20,681.51
Cash Advance Credit Limit	\$15,000.00
Available Credit for Cash Advances	\$15,000.00

Rewards Summary		Rewards as of: 07/15/2022	
Rewards Balance	\$105.69	Track and redeem your rewards with our mobile app or on capitalone.com	
Previous Balance	Earned This Period	Redeemed this period	
\$727.35	\$105.69	-\$727.35	

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Payment Due Date: **Aug 11, 2022**

Account ending in 9289

New Balance	Minimum Payment Due	Amount Enclosed
\$9,318.49	\$93.00	\$ _____

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How can I Avoid Paying Interest Charges? If you pay your New Balance in full by the due date **each month**, we will not charge interest on new transactions that post to the purchase balance. If you have been paying in full **without** Interest Charges, but fail to pay your next New Balance in full, we will charge interest on the unpaid balance. Interest Charges on Cash Advances and Special Transfers start on the transaction date. Promotional offers may allow you to pay less than the total New Balance and avoid paying interest on new transactions that post to your purchase balance. See the front of your statement for additional information.

How is the Interest Charge Determined? Interest Charges accrue from the date of the transaction, date the transaction is processed or the first day of the Billing Cycle. Interest accrues daily on every unpaid amount until it is paid in full. Interest accrued during a Billing Cycle posts to your account at the end of the Billing cycle and appears on your next statement. You may owe Interest Charges even if you pay the entire New Balance one month, but did not do so the prior month. Once you start accruing Interest Charges, you generally must pay your New Balance in full two consecutive Billing Cycles before Interest Charges stop being posted to your Statement. Interest Charges are added to the corresponding segment of your account.

Do you assess a Minimum Interest Charge? We may assess a minimum Interest Charge of \$0.00 for each Billing Cycle if your account is subject to an Interest Charge.

How do you Calculate the Interest Charge? We use a method called Average Daily Balance (including new transactions).

1. First, for each segment we take the beginning balance each day and add in new transactions and the periodic Interest Charge on the previous day's balance. Then we subtract any payments and credits for that segment as of that day. The result is the daily balance for each segment. However, if your previous statement balance was zero or a credit amount, new transactions which post to your purchase segment are not added to the daily balance.

2. Next, for each segment, we add the daily balances together and divide the sum by the number of days in the Billing Cycle. The result is the Average Daily Balance for each segment.

3. At the end of each Billing Cycle, we multiply your Average Daily Balance for each segment by the daily periodic rate (APR divided by 365) for that segment, and then we multiply the result by the number of days in the Billing Cycle. We add the Interest Charges for all segments together. The result is your total Interest Charge for the Billing Cycle.

The Average Daily Balance is referred to as the Balance Subject to Interest Rate in the Interest Charge Calculation section of this Statement.

NOTE: Due to rounding or a minimum Interest Charge, this calculation may vary slightly from the Interest Charge actually assessed.

How can I Avoid Membership Fees? If a Renewal Notice is printed on this statement, you may avoid paying an annual membership Fee by contacting Customer Service no later than 45 days after the last day in the Billing Cycle covered by this statement to request that we close your account. To avoid paying a monthly membership Fee, close your account and we will stop assessing your monthly membership Fee.

How can I Close My Account? You can contact Customer Service anytime to request that we close your account.

How do you Process Payments? When you make a payment, you authorize us to initiate an ACH or electronic payment that will be debited from your bank account or other related account. When you provide a check or check information to make a payment, you authorize us to use information from the check to make a one-time ACH or other electronic transfer from your bank account. We may also process it as a check transaction. Funds may be withdrawn from your bank account as soon as the same day we process your payment.

How do you Apply My Payment? We generally apply payments up to your Minimum Payment first to the balance with the lowest APR (including 0% APR), and then to balances with higher APRs. We apply any part of your payment exceeding your Minimum Payment to the balance with the highest APR, and then to balances with lower APRs.

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4. Sending mail payments to the address on the front of this statement with the payment coupon or your account information.

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- ◆ For mail, as of the business day we receive it, as long as it is received **by 5 p.m. local time** at our processing center. You must send the bottom portion of this statement and your check to the payment address on the front of this statement. Please allow at least seven (7) business days for mail delivery. Mailed payments received by us at any other location or payments in any other form may not be credited as of the day we receive them.

Transactions

Visit capitalone.com to see detailed transactions.

JULIANE MORIAN #9289: Payments, Credits and Adjustments

Trans Date	Post Date	Description	Amount
Jun 21	Jun 21	CAPITAL ONE ONLINE PYMTAuthDate 21-Jun	- \$4,904.04

JULIANE MORIAN #9289: Transactions

Trans Date	Post Date	Description	Amount
Jun 17	Jun 20	Downtown CafeRochesterMI	\$38.56
Jun 20	Jun 21	FTD.COM800-736-3383IL	\$58.30
Jun 23	Jun 24	AMAZON.COM*GS59159F3 AMZNAMZN.COM/BILLWA	\$11.79
Jun 28	Jun 29	AMAZON.COM*FD58203V3 AMZNAMZN.COM/BILLWA	\$11.29
Jun 29	Jun 30	AMAZON.COM*OM2T000F3 AMZNAMZN.COM/BILLWA	\$7.77
Jul 11	Jul 12	IN *ROCHESTER ROTARY CLUB248-6019500MI	\$80.00
Jul 11	Jul 12	HOLLYWOOD SUPERMARKET #6ROCHESTER HLSMI	\$13.98
Jul 12	Jul 13	STAPLES DIRECT800-3333330MA	\$53.80
Jul 13	Jul 14	OAKLAND PRESS888-977-3677MI	\$12.00

JULIANE MORIAN #9289: Total Transactions **\$287.49**

ALLISON SARTWELL #6787: Payments, Credits and Adjustments

Trans Date	Post Date	Description	Amount
Jul 8	Jul 9	AMZN Mktp USAmzn.com/billWA	- \$6.59

ALLISON SARTWELL #6787: Transactions

Trans Date	Post Date	Description	Amount
Jun 20	Jun 21	AMZN Mktp US*008P608F3Amzn.com/billWA	\$36.87
Jun 20	Jun 21	AMZN Mktp US*MX4CP6QF3Amzn.com/billWA	\$78.00
Jun 20	Jun 21	AMAZON.COM*NL52LOX43 AMZNAMZN.COM/BILLWA	\$22.99
Jun 22	Jun 22	Amazon.com*KP4ZV5KH3Amzn.com/billWA	\$300.00
Jun 22	Jun 22	HEAT PRESS NATION714-256-1818CA	\$68.85
Jun 24	Jun 25	JOANN STORES*JOANN.COM888-739-41200H	\$7.48
Jun 25	Jun 27	AMZN Mktp US*J13RW4063Amzn.com/billWA	\$105.59
Jun 26	Jun 27	AMZN Mktp US*0U5PU88H3Amzn.com/billWA	\$14.34
Jun 26	Jun 27	AMZN Mktp US*D37F99ZJ3Amzn.com/billWA	\$34.99
Jun 26	Jun 27	AMZN Mktp US*UT5BH8J33Amzn.com/billWA	\$29.38
Jun 26	Jun 27	AMAZON.COM*Y53I20SL3 AMZNAMZN.COM/BILLWA	\$31.79
Jun 26	Jun 27	AMZN Mktp US*3J2LH8GM3Amzn.com/billWA	\$53.98
Jun 29	Jun 30	SP AMERICAN BUTTON MAMERICANBUTT0TX	\$104.10
Jul 2	Jul 4	AMZN Mktp US*1J2JROPL3Amzn.com/billWA	\$9.99
Jul 2	Jul 4	JOANN STORES #2061ROCHESTERMI	\$8.75

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Transactions (Continued)

Trans Date	Post Date	Description	Amount
Jul 7	Jul 7	BARNES&NOBLE.COM800-843-2665NY	\$91.96
Jul 10	Jul 11	AMZN Mktp US*Q66HT1403Amzn.com/billWA	\$21.99
Jul 10	Jul 11	AMZN Mktp US*IU4LX8R23Amzn.com/billWA	\$25.68
Jul 10	Jul 11	AMZN Mktp US*724DV3L83Amzn.com/billWA	\$36.99
Jul 12	Jul 13	BARNES&NOBLE.COM800-843-2665NY	\$29.95
Jul 13	Jul 14	AMZN Mktp US*5Q9MK2FP3Amzn.com/billWA	\$379.00
Jul 14	Jul 15	AMZN Mktp US*HU3UA3MZ3Amzn.com/billWA	\$37.72
Jul 14	Jul 15	AMZN Mktp US*AR7UR96U3Amzn.com/billWA	\$30.01

ALLISON SARTWELL #6787: Total Transactions **\$1,560.40**

MARY DAVIS #9241: Payments, Credits and Adjustments

Trans Date	Post Date	Description	Amount
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MARY DAVIS #9241: Transactions

Trans Date	Post Date	Description	Amount
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CAMILLE WESTMORE #4614: Payments, Credits and Adjustments

Trans Date	Post Date	Description	Amount
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CAMILLE WESTMORE #4614: Transactions

Trans Date	Post Date	Description	Amount
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STEVEN CLEMENT #7892: Payments, Credits and Adjustments

Trans Date	Post Date	Description	Amount
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STEVEN CLEMENT #7892: Transactions

Trans Date	Post Date	Description	Amount
Jun 16	Jun 17	AMZN Mktp US*920QA2OZ3Amzn.com/billWA	\$10.49
Jul 6	Jul 7	AMAZON.COM*3E6Z47OH3 AMZNAMZN.COM/BILLWA	\$76.20
Jul 12	Jul 13	Amazon.com*OWOCF5QP3Amzn.com/billWA	\$79.03
Jul 14	Jul 15	AMZN Mktp US*6853N2L23Amzn.com/billWA	\$1,879.68

STEVEN CLEMENT #7892: Total Transactions **\$2,045.40**

ELIZABETH RACZKOWSKI #9004: Payments, Credits and Adjustments

Trans Date	Post Date	Description	Amount
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Transactions (Continued)

ELIZABETH RACZKOWSKI #9004: Transactions

Trans Date	Post Date	Description	Amount
Jun 16	Jun 17	AMZN Mktp US*PC3PA4MI3Amzn.com/billWA	\$55.18
Jun 21	Jun 22	AMZN Mktp US*6R5RT4XW3Amzn.com/billWA	\$37.99
Jun 29	Jun 29	AMERLIBASSOC ECOMMERCE866-746-7252IL	\$278.00
Jul 1	Jul 2	HUNGRY HOWIES 21586-219-9471MI	\$41.23
Jul 6	Jul 7	AMAZON.COM*446FB4RJ3 AMZNAMZN.COM/BILLWA	\$39.95
Jul 7	Jul 8	AMZN Mktp US*GIOI881D3Amzn.com/billWA	\$38.43
Jul 8	Jul 9	AMZN Mktp US*P03AW5KC3Amzn.com/billWA	\$24.69
Jul 14	Jul 15	Spotify USA877-7781161NY	\$15.99
Jul 14	Jul 15	ROCHESTER DDAWWW.DOWNTOWNRMI	\$500.00
ELIZABETH RACZKOWSKI #9004: Total Transactions			\$1,031.46

DEREK BROWN #8061: Payments, Credits and Adjustments

Trans Date	Post Date	Description	Amount
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DEREK BROWN #8061: Transactions

Trans Date	Post Date	Description	Amount
Jun 16	Jun 17	USPS STAMPS ENDICIA888-434-0055DC	\$200.00
Jun 17	Jun 18	STAMPS.COM855-608-2677CA	\$225.96
Jun 23	Jun 24	Amazon.com*PN9MA3V73Amzn.com/billWA	\$18.98
Jun 24	Jun 25	AMZN Mktp US*140NY98Z3Amzn.com/billWA	\$1,734.72
Jun 24	Jun 25	AMZN Mktp US*HH61L37L3Amzn.com/billWA	\$848.93
Jun 29	Jun 30	AMZN Mktp US*D93AA3K03Amzn.com/billWA	\$153.20
Jun 30	Jul 2	THE HOME DEPOT #2727ROCHESTERMI	\$5.81
Jul 1	Jul 1	AMZN Mktp US*OP10M8523Amzn.com/billWA	\$454.99
Jul 2	Jul 4	STAMPS.COM855-608-2677CA	\$17.99
Jul 2	Jul 4	USPS STAMPS ENDICIA888-434-0055DC	\$200.00
Jul 12	Jul 13	RC ACCESSORY194-148-8908FL	\$9.45
Jul 13	Jul 14	AMZN Mktp US*710EP9CK3Amzn.com/billWA	\$164.90
Jul 14	Jul 14	AMZN Mktp US*VXOV66Y33Amzn.com/billWA	\$301.44
DEREK BROWN #8061: Total Transactions			\$4,336.37

DEREK BROWN #9234: Payments, Credits and Adjustments

Trans Date	Post Date	Description	Amount
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DEREK BROWN #9234: Transactions

Trans Date	Post Date	Description	Amount
Jun 18	Jun 20	SOCKETLABS484-418-1285PA	\$63.96
DEREK BROWN #9234: Total Transactions			\$63.96

Additional Information on the next page

Transactions (Continued)			
Total Transactions for This Period			\$9,325.08
Fees			
Trans Date	Post Date	Description	Amount
Total Fees for This Period			\$0.00
Interest Charged			
Interest Charge on Purchases			\$0.00
Interest Charge on Cash Advances			\$0.00
Interest Charge on Other Balances			\$0.00
Total Interest for This Period			\$0.00
Totals Year-to-Date			
Total Fees charged			\$0.00
Total Interest charged			\$0.00

Interest Charge Calculation			
Your Annual Percentage Rate (APR) is the annual interest rate on your account.			
Type of Balance	Annual Percentage Rate (APR)	Balance Subject to Interest Rate	Interest Charged
Purchases	22.49% P	\$0.00	\$0.00
Cash Advances	24.49% P	\$0.00	\$0.00
Variable APRs: If you have a letter code displayed next to any of the above APRs, this means they are variable APRs. They may increase or decrease based on one of the following indices (reported in The Wall Street Journal) as described below.			
Code next to your APR(s)	How do we calculate your APR(s)?	When your APR(s) will change	
P	Prime Rate + margin	The first day of the Billing Cycles that end in Jan., April, July and Oct.	
L	3 month LIBOR + margin		
D	Prime Rate + margin	The first day of each Billing Cycle	
F	1 month LIBOR + margin		

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7/20/22	48883	5301-10	Adult Books	ACT #C019265	382.66	
		5301-10	Adult Books	ACT #L410629	822.71	
		5301-50	Materials Processing	PROCESSING	41.87	
		5301-10	Adult Books	ACT #L424469	2,693.71	
		5301-50	Materials Processing	PROCESSING	200.87	
		1121-00	Operating - PNC	THE BAKER & TAYLOR COMPANY		4,141.82
7/20/22	48884	5301-30	Outreach Books	ACT #L449673	182.65	
		5301-50	Materials Processing	PROCESSING	20.44	
		5301-30	Outreach Books	ACT #L534941	219.62	
		5301-50	Materials Processing	PROCESSING	23.83	
		5301-30	Outreach Books	ACT #L395513	1,200.57	
		5301-50	Materials Processing	PROCESSING	53.42	
		5301-30	Outreach Books	ACT #L449672	24.73	
		5301-50	Materials Processing	PROCESSING	1.58	
		1121-00	Operating - PNC	THE BAKER & TAYLOR COMPANY		1,726.84
7/20/22	48885	5301-20	Youth Books	ACT #L554618	4,120.48	
		5301-50	Materials Processing	PROCESSING	236.22	
		5303-20	Youth Audio	ACT #L554618	4.19	
		1121-00	Operating - PNC	THE BAKER & TAYLOR COMPANY		4,360.89
7/20/22	48886	5306-10	Adult DVDs	CUSTOMER #2000005835-DVD	637.19	
		5303-11	Adult Audio-Music	CUSTOMER #2000005835-MUSIC	39.72	
		5303-10	Adult Audio-Books	CUSTOMER #2000005835-AUDIO	340.92	
		5301-50	Materials Processing	PROCESSING	222.45	
		5306-10	Adult DVDs	CUSTOMER #2000005843-DVD	146.19	
		5301-50	Materials Processing	PROCESSING	24.60	
		5306-10	Adult DVDs	CUSTOMER #200014883-DVD	383.85	
		5301-50	Materials Processing	PROCESSING	67.80	
		1121-00	Operating - PNC	MIDWEST TAPE		1,862.72
7/20/22	48887	5306-30	Outreach DVDs	CUSTOMER #2000005836-DVD	188.15	
		5303-30	Outreach Audio & Vid	CUSTOMER #2000005836-AUDIO	216.43	
		5301-50	Materials Processing	PROCESSING	61.30	
		5306-30	Outreach DVDs	CUSTOMER #2000005839-DVD	44.98	
		1121-00	Operating - PNC	MIDWEST TAPE		510.86

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7/20/22	48888	5306-20	Youth DVDs/Videos	CUSTOMER #2000005837-DVD	140.18	
		5303-20	Youth Audio	CUSTOMER #2000005837-AUDIO	308.91	
		5301-50 1121-00	Materials Processing Operating - PNC	PROCESSING MIDWEST TAPE	38.75	487.84
7/20/22	48889	6100-50 6100-60 1121-00	Professional Member Workshops/Conferen Operating - PNC	Invoice: 04594 Invoice: 04615 ABOS	135.00 350.00	485.00
7/20/22	48890	6401-00 1121-00	Service Contracts Operating - PNC	Invoice: 41246 AQUARIUM DESIGN & MAINTENANCE	320.00	320.00
7/20/22	48891	5306-80 1121-00	Bookmobile Operatio Operating - PNC	Invoice: 472760 ASCENSION MICHIGAN EMPLOYER SOLUTIONS	60.00	60.00
7/20/22	48892	5306-82 1121-00	Oakland Talking Boo Operating - PNC	Invoice: 300379960 CENTURY LINK	1.47	1.47
7/20/22	48893	6401-00 1121-00	Service Contracts Operating - PNC	Invoice: 4121362214 CINTAS CORPORATION #354	137.97	137.97
7/20/22	48894	5202-40 1121-00	Other Dental Operating - PNC	Invoice: RIS0004295275 DELTA DENTAL PLAN OF MICHIGAN	1,534.98	1,534.98
7/20/22	48895	5301-50 1121-00	Materials Processing Operating - PNC	Invoice: 7152093 DEMCO INC	259.80	259.80
7/20/22	48896	6100-50 5302-13 1121-00	Professional Member Electronic Materials Operating - PNC	Invoice: 2023-005 Invoice: 2023-011 FARMINGTON COMMUNITY LIBRARY	4,500.00 2,741.80	7,241.80
7/20/22	48897	5301-30 5301-30 5301-30 5301-30	Outreach Books Outreach Books Outreach Books Outreach Books	Invoice: 78035161 Invoice: 78050993 Invoice: 78050771 Invoice: 78051361	64.78 74.38 99.17 27.19	

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		1121-00	Operating - PNC	GALE/CENGAGE LEARNING		265.52
7/20/22	48898	5201-40	Other Medical	Invoice: 100008312567	20,519.07	
		1121-00	Operating - PNC	HEALTH ALLIANCE PLAN		20,519.07
7/20/22	48899	5201-40	Other Medical	Invoice: 100008313813	3,740.91	
		1121-00	Operating - PNC	ALLIANCE HEALTH AND LIFE		3,740.91
7/20/22	48900	5301-80 1121-00	Interlibrary Loan (ILL) Operating - PNC	Invoice: 759 JAMES WHITE LIBRARY	35.00	35.00
7/20/22	48901	5930-00 5930-00 1121-00	General Printing General Printing Operating - PNC	Invoice: 1941 Invoice: 1941 JM DESIGN & PRINTING SERVICES LLC	44.00 86.00	130.00
7/20/22	48902	5302-13 1121-00	Electronic Materials Operating - PNC	Invoice: 303593-PPU KANOPY LLC	518.50	518.50
7/20/22	48903	6403-00 1121-00	Misc Repairs Operating - PNC	Invoice: 283049 KVM DOOR SYSTEMS INC.	297.50	297.50
7/20/22	48904	5301-76 1121-00	Book Binding Operating - PNC	Invoice: 70238 THE LIBRARY NETWORK	129.90	129.90
7/20/22	48905	5804-00 1121-00	Other/Public Supplies Operating - PNC	Invoice: 121904 METCOM	1,152.36	1,152.36
7/20/22	48906	6406-00 1121-00	HVAC Maintenance Operating - PNC	Invoice: 070722 MICH DEPT OF LIC & REG AFFAIRS	125.00	125.00
7/20/22	48907	5302-13 1121-00	Electronic Materials Operating - PNC	Invoice: 502333190 MIDWEST TAPE	7,647.47	7,647.47
7/20/22	48908	5302-13	Electronic Materials	Invoice: 721MA22209203	2,568.06	
		5302-13	Electronic Materials	Invoice: 721SA22210329	6,072.47	

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		5302-13	Electronic Materials	Invoice:	652.82	
		1121-00	Operating - PNC	721SA22276261 OVERDRIVE INC		9,293.35
7/20/22	48909	5306-80 1121-00	Bookmobile Operatio Operating - PNC	Invoice: 070722 CITY OF ROCHESTER HILLS DPS	712.24	712.24
7/20/22	48910	6402-10 6401-00 6401-00 1121-00	Maintenance Supplie Service Contracts Service Contracts Operating - PNC	Invoice: 39826 Invoice: 39720 Invoice: 39720 SABER BUILDING SERVICES INC.	693.00 8,190.00 333.00	9,216.00
7/20/22	48911	5303-50 1121-00	Innovative Items Operating - PNC	Invoice: 070622 T-MOBILE	624.90	624.90
7/20/22	48912	6406-01 1121-00	HVAC Repair Operating - PNC	Invoice: 902014 TECH MECHANICAL, INC.	2,164.42	2,164.42
7/20/22	48913	6401-00 1121-00	Service Contracts Operating - PNC	Invoice: 3006672934 TK ELEVATOR	615.00	615.00
7/20/22	48914	5701-30 5701-30 1121-00	Collection Agency Collection Agency Operating - PNC	Invoice: 6102597 Invoice: 6102605 UNIQUE MANAGEMENT SERVICES INC	256.10 61.75	317.85
7/20/22	48915	2168-00 1121-00	Supplemental Ins W/ Operating - PNC	Invoice: 071922 UNUM LIFE INSURANCE - SUPP	42.51	42.51
7/20/22	48916	5206-40 1121-00	Other LTD Insurance Operating - PNC	Invoice: 071922 UNUM LIFE INSURANCE CO OF AMERICA	410.79	410.79
7/20/22	48917	5209-40 2168-00 1121-00	LTC Supplemental Ins W/ Operating - PNC	Invoice: 071822 Invoice: 071822 UNUM LIFE INSURANCE CO OF AMERICA	97.60 30.80	128.40
7/20/22	48918	5401-00 1121-00	Basic Phone Operating - PNC	Invoice: 9909879024 VERIZON WIRELESS	291.40	291.40

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				WIRELESS		
7/20/22	48919	5207-30 1121-00	Vision Insurance Operating - PNC	Invoice: 815621225 VISION SERVICE PLAN	216.09	216.09
7/20/22	48920	6401-00 1121-00	Service Contracts Operating - PNC	Invoice: 070122 WHITE BIRCH LANDSCAPE	4,705.00	4,705.00
7/31/22	48921	7001-01 5301-10 5301-50 1121-00	Misc. Reimbursable Adult Books Materials Processing Operating - PNC	ACT# L406562 ACT #L424469 PROCESSING THE BAKER & TAYLOR COMPANY	116.93 2,566.40 222.52	2,905.85
7/31/22	48922	5301-30 5301-50 5301-30 5301-50 5301-30 5301-50 1121-00	Outreach Books Materials Processing Outreach Books Materials Processing Outreach Books Materials Processing Operating - PNC	ACT #L449673 PROCESSING ACT #L534941 PROCESSING ACT #L395513 PROCESSING THE BAKER & TAYLOR COMPANY	839.29 68.99 486.69 33.59 1,759.15 38.97	3,226.68
7/31/22	48923	5301-20 5301-50 5303-20 1121-00	Youth Books Materials Processing Youth Audio Operating - PNC	ACT #L554618 PROCESSING ACT #554618 THE BAKER & TAYLOR COMPANY	2,913.41 173.71 9.71	3,096.83
7/31/22	48924	5306-10 5303-11 5303-10 5301-50 5306-10 5301-50 5306-10 5301-50 1121-00	Adult DVDs Adult Audio-Music Adult Audio-Books Materials Processing Adult DVDs Materials Processing Adult DVDs Materials Processing Operating - PNC	CUSTOMER #2000005835-DVD CUSTOMER #2000005835-MUSIC CUSTOMER #2000005835-AUDIO PROCESSING CUSTOMER #2000005843-DVD PROCESSING CUSTOMER #200014883-DVD PROCESSING MIDWEST TAPE	648.46 22.48 752.81 158.90 139.45 20.20 197.92 39.40	1,979.62
7/31/22	48925	5306-30	Outreach DVDs	CUSTOMER #2000005836-DVD	192.64	

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		5303-30	Outreach Audio & Vid	CUSTOMER #2000005836-AUDIO	117.95	
		5301-50	Materials Processing	PROCESSING	49.70	
		5306-30	Outreach DVDs	CUSTOMER #2000005839-DVD	46.48	
		1121-00	Operating - PNC	MIDWEST TAPE		406.77
7/31/22	48926	5306-20	Youth DVDs/Videos	CUSTOMER #2000005837-DVD	140.93	
		5303-20	Youth Audio	CUSTOMER #2000005837-AUDIO	249.90	
		5303-21	Youth Music	CUSTOMER #2000005837-MUSIC	126.64	
		5301-50	Materials Processing	PROCESSING	74.80	
		1121-00	Operating - PNC	MIDWEST TAPE		592.27
7/31/22	48927	8002-00	Capital Improvement	Invoice: 138563	712.40	
		1121-00	Operating - PNC	ANDERSON, ECKSTEIN & WESTRICK INC.		712.40
7/31/22	48928	5301-10	Adult Books	Invoice: IN2204100968	77.75	
		1121-00	Operating - PNC	BLUE 360 MEDIA, LLC		77.75
7/31/22	48929	5301-20	Youth Books	Invoice: CAL338337I	366.66	
		1121-00	Operating - PNC	CAVENDISH SQUARE		366.66
7/31/22	48930	5301-30	Outreach Books	Invoice: 1945522	46.50	
		5301-30	Outreach Books	Invoice: 1944157	302.01	
		5301-30	Outreach Books	Invoice: 1945876	202.50	
		1121-00	Operating - PNC	CENTER POINT LARGE PRINT		551.01
7/31/22	48931	5502-00	Gas	Invoice: 071422	102.96	
		1121-00	Operating - PNC	CONSUMERS ENERGY		102.96
7/31/22	48932	5301-50	Materials Processing	Invoice: 7156206	308.37	
		1121-00	Operating - PNC	DEMCO INC		308.37
7/31/22	48933	5503-00	Electric	Invoice: 072122	13,542.63	
		1121-00	Operating - PNC	DTE ENERGY		13,542.63
7/31/22	48934	5703-00	Legal	Invoice: 837414	112.50	
		1121-00	Operating - PNC	FOSTER SWIFT		112.50

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7/31/22	48935	5301-30	Outreach Books	Invoice: 78137291	358.31	
		5301-30	Outreach Books	Invoice: 78146033	79.18	
		5301-30	Outreach Books	Invoice: 78153790	155.96	
		5301-30	Outreach Books	Invoice: 78186887	279.13	
		5301-30	Outreach Books	Invoice: 78194457	26.39	
		1121-00	Operating - PNC	GALE/CENGAGE LEARNING		898.97
7/31/22	48936	6401-00	Service Contracts	Invoice: 56390055	208.00	
		1121-00	Operating - PNC	GREEN FOR LIFE ENVIRONMENTAL		208.00
7/31/22	48937	6401-00	Service Contracts	Invoice: 22153199	520.92	
		1121-00	Operating - PNC	GUARDIAN ALARM		520.92
7/31/22	48938	6403-00	Misc Repairs	Invoice: 072022	149.17	
		1121-00	Operating - PNC	HOME DEPOT CREDIT SERVICES		149.17
7/31/22	48939	5930-00	General Printing	Invoice: 1945	43.00	
		5930-00	General Printing	Invoice: 1946	23.50	
		1121-00	Operating - PNC	JM DESIGN & PRINTING SERVICES LLC		66.50
7/31/22	48940	5401-00	Basic Phone	Invoice: 32654670	179.91	
		1121-00	Operating - PNC	LINGO COMMUNICATIONS		179.91
7/31/22	48941	6402-00	Cleaning Supplies	Invoice: 122311	395.48	
		1121-00	Operating - PNC	METCOM		395.48
7/31/22	48942	5401-00	Basic Phone	Invoice: 251476	214.61	
		1121-00	Operating - PNC	TELNET WORLDWIDE		214.61
7/31/22	48943	6506-00	Software Support/Mai	Invoice: 159412987-0	994.84	
		1121-00	Operating - PNC	TPX COMMUNICATIONS		994.84
7/31/22	48944	6200-40	Other Programs	Invoice: 082522	300.00	
		1121-00	Operating - PNC	ALISON WIERCIOCH		300.00
7/22/22	EFTAMAZON0	5301-10	Adult Books		1,275.94	
		5301-20	Youth Books		583.05	
		5306-13	Teen Video Games		421.63	

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		5303-50	Innovative Items		2,691.55	
		1121-00	Operating - PNC	AMAZON		4,972.17
7/22/22	EFTVISA0722	6100-60	Workshops/Conferen		38.56	
		6402-10	Maintenance Supplie		165.72	
		6200-20	Youth Programs		653.27	
		5301-50	Materials Processing		11.29	
		5805-00	IT Supplies		28.43	
		6506-00	Software Support/Mai		63.96	
		5940-00	3D Printing/Makerspa		631.05	
		6100-50	Professional Member		358.00	
		6200-50	Summer Reading		661.13	
		5306-80	Bookmobile Operatio		466.34	
		5807-00	Office Supplies		153.20	
		6200-10	Adult Programs		613.74	
		5402-00	Postage/Shipping		643.95	
		5802-00	Circulation Supplies		53.80	
		5809-00	Marketing Supplies		19.56	
		5303-22	Youth Kits		55.18	
		7009-70	Staff Recognition		58.30	
		5306-13	Teen Video Games		31.79	
		8002-00	Capital Improvement	(6) STAFF PC's	1,734.72	
		8002-00	Capital Improvement	(4) MONITORS	848.93	
		5301-10	Adult Books		121.91	
		5808-00	Board Room Supplie		13.98	
		5302-00	Periodical/PrintSubs		12.00	
		6406-00	HVAC Maintenance		1,879.68	
		1121-00	Operating - PNC	CAPITAL ONE BK(USA), NA		9,318.49
7/19/22	PAYPALDK07	5302-00	Periodical/PrintSubs	INVOICE	555.00	
		1121-00	Operating - PNC	DKSP-5015-22 D K AGENCIES (P) LTD		555.00
					133,187.53	133,187.53

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Supplemental Information
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Checks & EFT's - Operating Account			133,187.53
Net Payroll - Direct Deposit			125,562.84
Employee Benefit EFTs and Misc Debits -			
Payroll Taxes		41,882.10	
Employee FSA Debits - Wage Works		937.61	
Employer Pension Contributions - MERS		7,331.21	
Employee Deferred Contributions		11,196.31	
Bank/Merchant Fees		281.31	
ADP & WageWorks Fees		1,558.14	
NSF Checks		-	
		TOTAL	63,186.68
			\$ 321,937.05

Communications



Called patron to convey our thanks for filling out a comment card and highlighting exceptional service.

-Juliane 7/11/22



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Comment Card

Date 7/2/2022

Librarian Lucia went above and beyond to help our family today. We couldn't find a book we wanted, and her detective work was superb. We left the library feeling so grateful and excited to read a new book!

Optional: Name

Contact No.

7-30-2022 RE: public hearing Monday Aug 8, 2022
Since no one at The library protested mandatory COVID testing or COVID vaccinations:
Please initiate mandatory drug testing (esp TCH/PBT)
Sincerely, [redacted] - retired librarian (taxpayer)



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Comment Card

Date 8/1/22

Jim S. (shelver) went out of his way to help me find my book choices. He was "over & above" helpful when he surprised me by going downstairs to bring me up a rolling basket. A frequent visitor of the library.

Optional: Name

Contact No.

Name [REDACTED]
 Phone [REDACTED]
 Email [REDACTED]

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 My daughter was 2 years old when we moved to Rochester. She has been in love with the library since our first visit... We visit frequently. When everything shut down in 2020 her biggest concern was her visits to the library - we were so incredibly grateful when we were able to start visiting again. Needless to say, the pandemic took quite a toll on us - we lost family members, friends moved, and we started kindergarten at a new school. Each time a significant life aspect changed. I turned to the librarians in the children's department. No matter the concern, they were able to suggest books demonstrating that whatever it is happens to other people and how to deal with it. The team upstairs had some tremendous suggestions for me too, not just books on parenting but also books to keep my mind busy when I didn't think I had time for anything else.

Now that life is getting back to normal I'm looking for suggestions, visit frequently, thank goodness, but always know where to start.

Hi [REDACTED]

Thank you for your story about RHPL. Your kind comments will be shared with the staff. So sorry to hear you lost family members in the pandemic. If the library provided some comfort during those tough times, we are glad to know and hope you continue to visit us. Our librarians love what they do and enjoy working with patrons to find books and other items.

Thanks, again, and have a wonderful summer!

Sincerely,
 Tiffany Stozicki

Patron email, 7.5.22

 **Mahati Krishna**
 ★★★★★ 1 week ago

This library was my favorite place ever. Everyone was welcoming and nice, the books were a great selection, and the overall environment was 10/10. I have recently moved away, and I find myself comparing this library to the RHPL because it was amazing.

 Rochester Hills Public Library (owner)
 1 min ago

*Hi Mahati,
 Thank you for your five-star review of RHPL and for sharing your story. We are committed to serving our patrons and the public and value your patronage over the years. Your kind words are appreciated!*

Google Review, 7.11.22

Name [REDACTED]
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What is the best way to contact you if we need more information?
 - Phone

Please check the options below if we have your permission to use your story
 - On our web site
 - In a press release
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Share your story here:
 I have moved to Michigan from South Carolina in winter 2022. I just finished my grad school and looking for a job here. It became a bit harder emotionally to search for job all day. I joined the library to find community and comfort. I am grateful that the library gave me temporary library card for one year since I was living with my sister and had no address in my name. I found much joy and happiness in the joining the events and a couple of bookclubs at the library. Even now after getting a job I try to attend the after work hour and weekend events at the library whenever I can. Not to mention it is a beautiful library to loan books and also study.

Patron email, 7.13.22



Robert Fleming

★★★★★ 2 days ago

Great for kids and adults alike!



Rochester Hills Public Library (owner)

1 min ago

Thank you, Robert, for your five-star review and for your kind comment. We greatly appreciate it!

Google Review, 7.30.22

NEWS & VIEWS



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4th annual fair features local writers

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Olde Towne Road location opened in 1992

Cover: RHPL will host a discussion with award-winning Michigan author Angeline Boulley over Zoom on September 20. See page 4 for details. Photo: Amber Bouley.

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This icon indicates registration is required. Many programs require registration with an active RHPL card unless otherwise noted. To apply for an RHPL card, visit rhpl.org/use-the-library/get-a-library-card.



A LETTER FROM THE LIBRARY DIRECTOR

There are many benefits when adults get caught reading. Recently, a survey conducted by the National Assessment of Educational Progress revealed that reading for fun among tweens and teens has steadily dropped over the past two decades and is at the lowest levels since the mid-1980s. Complementary studies show when parents, teachers, and caregivers model reading in front of children, those examples inspire a love and habit for reading in young people.

The benefit of reading extends past the example set. While reading can be escapism in a practical sense, it also builds empathy and nurtures self-reflection. One way Rochester Hills Public Library supports young readers is through its certification and membership in Family Place Libraries™, which means RHPL staff has engaged in intensive, off-site training to learn how a child's brain develops and what parents and caregivers can do to foster strong vocabulary, reading skills, and comprehension in children. Modeling reading is one of the Family Place Libraries™ practices we encourage and promote at the library.

This year, the library piloted a program that has received high praise and participation in its first year. “50 Books in a Year” encourages adults to set aspirational reading goals and track their progress for a chance to win prizes through Beanstack, the same online tracking platform used for the summer reading program. The Adult Services librarian team developed reading prompts to suggest new kinds of books patrons might choose to read. Reading categories range from “Journey through a Different Time” to “Conversation Starters,” with such activity challenges as read a book from the year you were born, or read a novel that blends genres like science fiction and horror.

As we welcome acclaimed Michigan author Angeline Boulley to speak to our community in September, I hope you feel inspired to read big and bold this year and, of course, get caught reading!

Juliane Morian

FRIENDS



DUTTON FARM PRODUCTS ARE AVAILABLE AT THE FRIENDS STORE

The Friends Library Store is proud to offer bath and body products by Dutton Farm through EveryBody Inc. These handmade bar soaps and lip balms don't contain parabens, phylates, SLS, or SLES and are for every body. The products come in unique natural fragrances, including Michigan Cherry, Peach, Lavender, and Fig, to name a few.

The store supports EveryBody Inc.'s motto: "Beauty in Diversity. Strength in Inclusion." Dutton Farm employs individuals of all abilities, supporting its mission of "empowering and supporting adults with disabilities to live a life of purpose, inclusion, and dignity." For more information about Dutton Farm, visit duttonfarm.org.

FRIENDS FALL USED BOOK SALE

The Friends Fall Used Book Sale begins with a Members-Only Night on Wednesday, October 19, from 5:30 to 8 p.m. Nonmembers may purchase a Friends membership at the door. Public sale hours are:

Thursday, October 20, 10 a.m.-8 p.m.

Friday, October 21, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

Saturday, October 22, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

Sunday (Bag Day), October 23, 1:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m.

Call 248-650-7178 to learn more about used book sales.

GIVING TUESDAY

November 29 is Giving Tuesday, a global day of generosity that encourages people to do good deeds and make a difference. This year's Giving Tuesday, consider making a donation to Friends by visiting rhpl.org/connect/visit-friends-of-rhpl. Every donation supports the library.

QUALITY SALE

Friends' Quality Sale features a fine collection of donated items that make great gifts. Shop this popular sale in the library's Multipurpose Room. Sale dates and times are:

Thursday, December 1, 3-8:30 p.m.

Friday, December 2, 9:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.

Saturday, December 3, 9:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

HOLIDAY HOME TOUR RETURNS!

Holiday Home Tour will return after a two-year hiatus! Five homes will display festive decor for the tour on Sunday, December 11, from noon to 5 p.m. Tickets go on sale in November. Visit rhpl.org to learn more.

If you would you like to include your home on next year's tour, call the Friends event line at 248-650-7176 and leave a message.

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An Evening with Angeline Boulley

*Michigan author discusses her book,
Firekeeper's Daughter, why she writes, and what inspires her*

Angeline Boulley is a novelist and a Native American education advocate. She is an enrolled member of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians, and a storyteller who writes about her Ojibwe community in Michigan's Upper Peninsula. Her debut novel, *Firekeeper's Daughter*, was an instant #1 *New York Times* bestseller. The novel earned the Walter Dean Myers Award for Outstanding Children's Literature and the William C. Morris YA Debut Award. *Firekeeper's Daughter* was also named an American Indian Youth Literature Award Honor Book.

In Boulley's groundbreaking novel, the main character, Daunis Fontaine, is a biracial, unenrolled tribal member who feels out of place in her hometown and on the nearby Ojibwe reservation. After she witnesses a shocking murder, Daunis is drawn into an FBI investigation over a lethal new drug. Reluctantly, she agrees to go undercover, using her knowledge of chemistry and Ojibwe traditional medicine, to track down the source. But finding the truth is more complicated than Daunis imagined and she must learn what it means to be a strong Anishinaabe kwe (Ojibwe woman) and determine how far she will go for her community.

What led you to a writing career?



AB: Both of my parents are voracious readers. My mother took us to the public library every Saturday. We could read anything we wanted to haul in our library tote bags. I loved reading mysteries like Nancy Drew, the Hardy Boys, and the Dana Girls series. Authors Robert Cormier, Shirley Jackson, and Lois

Duncan sparked my love of dark stories that reveal unpleasant truths. I was a high school senior the first time I read a book with a Native American main character. But it wasn't a positive experience; the author perpetuated harmful stereotypes, and it made me want to tell a better story!

Where did the idea for Firekeeper's Daughter originate?

AB: The idea came to me when I was 18 years old. My friend at a different school told me about a new guy she thought I'd be interested in. I was intrigued until a few weeks later when she told me he didn't play sports and hung out with the stoners. I played four different sports in high school, so he wasn't for me. At the end of the year, there was a drug bust, and it turned out that the new guy had been an undercover officer! I remember thinking what might have happened if we'd met and liked each other?

Or what if it wasn't that he liked me but that he needed my help? The story grew from the question: Why would an undercover investigation need the help of an ordinary Native American girl?

You have referred to Firekeeper's Daughter as an indigenous Nancy Drew. What is it about mysteries that inspire your writing?

AB: Mysteries tap into two of my strongest attributes: curiosity and tenacity! I love a well-crafted puzzle that requires effort to solve and still manages to surprise me. As a writer, I try to reverse engineer the mystery. Since the reader knows everything at the conclusion, I plot the story backwards to determine what information should be revealed and when.

You often discuss connecting with your cultural identity. What has that journey been like for you?

AB: I've always been connected to my culture but had experiences growing up where I questioned whether I was "Native enough." At a certain point, I realized my identity was mine to claim instead of a label bestowed upon me by someone else. Once I reclaimed my identity as an Ojibwe woman (Nish kwe), I felt peace and strength. This journey is mirrored in Daunis' story. •

Join RHPL and Boulley on Tuesday, September 20 at 7 p.m., online over Zoom for an engaging interview and discussion about her life, writing career, and becoming a bestselling author. Boulley will also give insight about adapting the novel into a Netflix series with President Barack Obama and Michelle Obama's production company, Higher Ground. The RHPL interview is open to all but requires registration. Visit calendar.rhpl.org or call 248-656-2900 to register.

Firekeeper's Daughter is available in print, large print, and digital and audio formats at RHPL. Large print editions are located in Outreach Services.

Firekeeper's Daughter was published in 2021. The cover was designed by Rich Deas, Senior Art Director at Macmillan Children's Publishing Group, with assistance from artist Moses Lunham (Ojibwe) from Kettle & Stony Point First Nation.

ADULT PROGRAMS



Register online at calendar.rhpl.org or scan the QR code using the camera on your mobile device. Questions? Call the Adult Reference Desk at 248-650-7130 or send an email to adult.reference@rhpl.org. Registration opens one month before the programs begin.

HEALTH & WELLNESS

My Amazing Journey with Autism

Thursday, September 8, 7 p.m.
Multipurpose Room.

Ron Sandison, author, speaker, and mental healthcare worker, shares his journey of autism.

Living with Dementia Part III

Thursday, September 15, 7 p.m.
Multipurpose Room.

Vicki Klanke, RN, CDP, explains the Positive Physical Approach to dementia in this third program of her series on dementia care.

Ascension Health Talk: The Gut/Brain Connection

Tuesday, October 18, 7 p.m.
Multipurpose Room.



Dr. Issam Turk M.D. of Ascension Providence Rochester Hospital discusses the brain/gut connection and how one affects the other.

Secrets to Surviving Your Children's Love Relationships

Thursday, October 27, 7 p.m.
Multipurpose Room.

In this engaging and fun presentation, Dr. Terri Orbuch (a.k.a. The Love Doctor®) shares her secrets to happy relationships.

What is Music Therapy?

Saturday, November 5, 4:30 p.m.
Multipurpose Room.

Dr. Theresa Merrill, retired professor of music therapy, explains this unique therapy and how it benefits overall health and well-being.

Be SMART for Kids

Thursday, November 10, 7 p.m. Multipurpose Room.

In this updated presentation, Be SMART helps adults normalize conversations about gun safety. Adults only.

A Child's Journey Through Grief

Thursday, November 17, 7 p.m. Multipurpose Room.

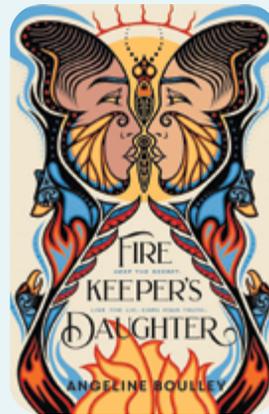
Presented by SandCastles and Rochester Area Youth Assistance (RAYA), this workshop explores techniques to address grief and loss with children.



HISTORY, ART & CULTURE

An Evening with Angeline Boulley

Tuesday, September 20, 7 p.m. Zoom Meeting.



Don't miss RHPL's Zoom chat with Michigan author Angeline Boulley, a Young Adult novelist and a Native American education advocate. Her debut novel, *Firekeeper's Daughter*, was an instant #1 *New York Times* bestseller. See our feature story on page 4.

Van Gogh in America: Special Exhibition

Tuesday, October 11, 7 p.m. Multipurpose Room.

Experience around 70 authentic Van Gogh works from around the world and learn the story of America's introduction to this iconic artist in an exhibition only at the Detroit Institute of Arts.

Honoring Your NaNo Journey *Tuesday, November 1, 7 p.m.**Multipurpose Room.*

Working on your great American novel? Join Melissa Lucken, a creative writing professor at Lansing Community College, to learn how to honor your writing journey during National Novel Writing Month by defining and managing expectations, brainstorming ideas, structuring scenes, and more!

Our Island Jewel:**Detroit's Belle Isle Park** *Tuesday, November 15, 7 p.m.**Multipurpose Room.*

Often called the crowning jewel of Detroit's riverfront, Belle Isle has a long and storied history. The park has hosted world-class sporting events, musical performances, and family parties. It has also witnessed massacres, riots, and military incursions. But for a few twists of fate, this beloved island might have been a much different place.

4th Annual Rochester Author Fair*Saturday, November 26, 10 a.m.-3 p.m.**Multipurpose Room.*

Hosted by RHPL and Rochester Writers, the Rochester Author Fair is an opportunity to discover local writers who are traditionally published and self-published and represent many genres. Registration is not required.

SCIENCE & ENVIRONMENT

Birdwatching & Birding *Thursday, September 29, 7 p.m.**Multipurpose Room.*

If you love the outdoors, join Greg Bodker for an in-depth look at birds and the joys of birding in your backyard. This program benefits the novice and aspiring birder alike! Bodker has led birding trips for Michigan Audobon.



Smart Towns is a lifelong learning program for everyone in the community led by Rochester Hills Public

Library, Ascension Providence Rochester Hospital, Oakland University, Rochester University, Rochester-Avon Historical Society, and the Rochester Hills Museum.

This unique series of programs explore one theme for two years. The 2022/2023 theme is "Revolution, Reaction & Reform." Visit smarttowns.rhpl.org for more programs and program locations.

Brain Health: Injury or Trauma *Thursday, September 22, 7 p.m. Multipurpose Room.*

Dr. Jessica Matyas, Associate Professor of Psychology & Department Chair, Rochester University.

China's Past & Present *Tuesday, September 27, 7 p.m. Multipurpose Room.*

Dr. Joy Jiang, Associate Professor of Management, Oakland University.

Advancements in Cardiovascular Care *Tuesday, October 4, 7 p.m. Multipurpose Room.*

Dr. Nishit Choksi, MD, Ascension Providence Rochester Hospital.

Science, Ethics, and America's Struggle to Promote Public Health through Vaccines *Thursday, October 6, 7 p.m. Multipurpose Room.*

Dr. Mark Navin, Ph.D., HEC-C, Professor of Philosophy & Department Chair, Oakland University.

Advancements in Radiological Care *Tuesday, November 8, 7 p.m. Multipurpose Room.*

Presenter tba, Ascension Providence Rochester Hospital.

What Social Movements Can & Cannot Do *Tuesday, November 29, 7 p.m. Multipurpose Room.*

Dr. Joe Reger, Professor of Sociology Department Chair, Oakland University.

TAKE & MAKE

Register for the programs below to reserve supplies, pick up your kit on the date listed, and take it home! Kits will be available for pick up at the Adult Reference Desk.

Crochet Gripper Pad Tuesday, September 13.

Use basic crochet to make a gripper pad for those hard-to-open jars.

Spiderweb Wreath Tuesday, October 4.

Add some spooky spirit to your house with a spiderweb wreath, complete with mini spiders! You supply scissors.

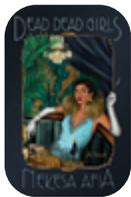
DIY Pressed Fall Leaves Art Tuesday, November 15.

Want to celebrate the beauty of fall? Make decorative pressed art to hang on your walls using real leaves.

WRITING & BOOKS

Books on Tap Mondays: September 12 & November 14, 7 p.m. Main Street Billiards, VIP Room.

Meet at Main Street Billiards (215 S. Main Street) for a casual book club in a relaxed setting. Talk about books and enjoy delicious food and drinks (purchased on your own). Copies of the books are available at the Adult Reference Desk upon registration or download an eBook edition using the Libby app.



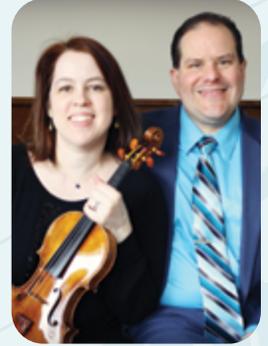
September 12: *Disability Visibility* by Alice Wong

November 14: *Dead Dead Girls* by Nekesa Afia

FALL CONCERT SERIES

Autumn Serenade Sunday, September 18, 2 p.m. Multipurpose Room.

Spend an afternoon with Kelly and Darryl Roenicke in a performance of classical favorites and standards, featuring works by American composers Amy Beach, Clara Schumann, and George Gershwin.



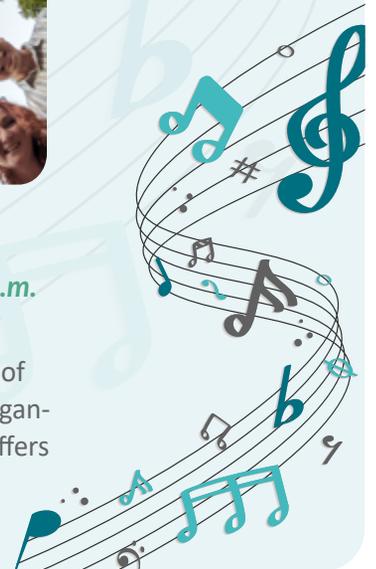
Detroit Flute Guild Sunday, October 30, 2 p.m. Multipurpose Room.

Experience the ethereal and graceful sounds of woodwinds with the Detroit Flute Guild, an ensemble dedicated to outstanding musical performance.



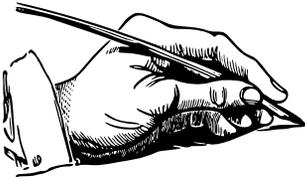
Odyssey Sunday, November 13, 2 p.m. Multipurpose Room.

Enjoy the a cappella voices of Odyssey, a Southeast Michigan-based musical group that offers interactive performances for audiences of all ages.



RHPL's Writers Group 📖

Tuesdays: September 13, October 11 & November 8, 6:30 p.m. Conference Room A.



Join other writers in a workshop-style session once a month. Space is limited!

Scribes Writers' Workshop

Wednesdays: September 14, September 28, October 12, October 26 & November 9, 1 p.m. Conference Room B.

Do you love to write? Then join this workshop and write on a given topic or thought-starter, and give and take positive feedback. Registration is not required.

Between the Lines 📖

Tuesdays: September 20, October 18 & November 15, 2 p.m. Conference Room A.

Thursdays: September 22, October 20 & November 17, 7 p.m. Conference Room A.

Join RHPL's lively monthly book discussion! Pick up a copies of the books at the Adult Reference Desk or download audiobook editions using the Libby app. Space is limited.



September 20: *The Seven Husbands of Evelyn Hugo* by Taylor Jenkins Reid

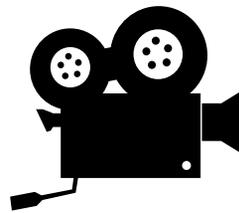
September 22: *Life Undercover* by Amaryllis Fox

October 18: *The Personal Librarian* by Marie Benedict and Victoria Christopher Murray

October 20: *Black Cake* by Charmaine Wilkerson

November 15: *Life Undercover* by Amaryllis Fox

November 17: *The Seven Husbands of Evelyn Hugo* by Taylor Jenkins Reid

POP CULTURE & GAMES**Hey, Remember That Movie ...** 📖

Fridays: September 16, October 21 & November 18, 7 p.m. Adults Only. Multipurpose Room.

Embrace the spooky season with an after-hours movie night for grown-ups! Popcorn provided; bring your own (non-alcoholic) beverage.

September 16: *Poltergeist*

October 21: *Underworld*

November 18: *Gremlins*

Jigsaw Puzzle Tournament

Saturday, September 24, 1 p.m. Multipurpose Room.

If you love solving puzzles, join RHPL for the annual jigsaw puzzle tournament! Teams of up to six will compete to see who finishes a 1,000-piece jigsaw puzzle the fastest (or who can complete the most in three hours). Enjoy refreshments and prizes provided by the library.

Know-It-All Trivia Smackdown! 📖

Monday, October 10, 7 p.m.

Main Street Billiards, Solarium.

Know a little bit about everything? Meet at Main Street Billiards (215 S. Main Street) with your 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 are available for purchase.

NaNoWriMo Come "Write In"! 📖

Saturdays: November 5, 12, 19 & 26, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. All Ages. Conference Room B.

If you're trying to hit 50,000 words in 30 days for National Novel Writing Month (NaNoWriMo), we have a spot for you! Drop-in every Saturday in November to join other NaNoWriMo participants for encouragement and support. New to NaNoWriMo? Register for our program "Honoring Your NaNo Journey," scheduled for Tuesday, November 1 at 7 p.m.

Behind the Scenes Library Tours

*September 21, October 13, 10 a.m.
& November 9, 3 p.m.*

Have you ever wondered how a library works? Join library director Juliane Morian for a behind-the-scenes look at the inner workings of RHPL. Space is limited. Registration is required.

Celebrate Poetry!

*Saturday, October 16, 2 p.m.
Multipurpose Room.*

Join the Rochester Poetry Society to learn more about this unique form of writing. The program includes an open mic opportunity for local poets to read their work. Registration is not required.

Free Magazine Day at RHPL

*Saturday, November 12,
10 a.m.-1 p.m. Multipurpose Room.*



Do you love to collect magazines or are you looking for a past issue? RHPL is cleaning out the 2021 magazines to make room for new issues. Last year's

magazines are free on a first come, first served basis and there is no limit on the number of magazines each person may take.

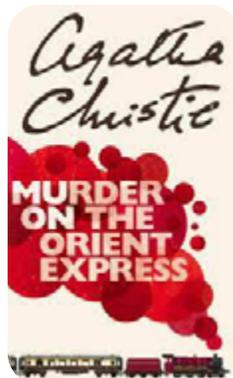
This is the only day and time the magazines will be offered. Unclaimed magazines will be recycled.

OUTREACH SERVICES



Register online at calendar.rhpl.org or scan the QR code using the camera on your mobile device. Questions? Call Outreach Services at 248-650-7150 or send an email to outreach@rhpl.org.

ELL Book Club: Murder on the Orient Express



*Thursdays: September 15-November 17,
10-11:30 a.m. Conference Room B.*

Meet with Rebecca and other English language learners to read a book and talk about it in a friendly setting. Copies of the book will be available at the first meeting. Questions? Send an email to rebecca.lafave@rhpl.org or call Outreach Services at 248-650-7150.

English Matters: ELL Conversation Group

*Tuesdays: September 13-December 6, 10-11:30 a.m.
Thursdays: September 15-December 8, 7-8:30 p.m.
Saturdays: September 17-December 10, 10-11:30 a.m.
Conference Room A.*

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 for a great time! (Note: No classes the week of the Thanksgiving holiday).

American Culture

Mondays: October 3-31, 10-11:30 a.m. Conference Room A.

Join Mariano for an informal group discussion. This group is open to all ELL students and newcomers. The group will discuss and share experiences and observations regarding the customs and manners of American culture.

Community Bookmobile Schedule

RHPL's Community Bookmobile holds over 3,000 popular items for all ages, including books, DVDs, music CDs, video games, and more. Each week, the bookmobile visits 24 locations in the community to serve patrons where they live. For a complete bookmobile schedule with dates, times, and locations, visit rhpl.org/departments/community-bookmobile.

LIBRARY BUILDING TURNS 30; RECEIVES DDA HONOR



The RHPL building, October 1993. Credit: RHPL Collection.



The opening day festivities included a parade from the former library to the new location. Credit: RHPL Collection.



On July 20, 2022, the Rochester DDA acknowledged the library building's 30th anniversary with a special framed commemoration.

With a bit of fanfare and nearly 3,000 people, Rochester Hills Public Library opened the doors to its new location on Olde Towne Road on Sunday, November 1, 1992. The day began with a parade from the former library building at University and Pine Streets to the new location across from the post office. Marching bands from Rochester and Adams high schools led the parade, along with members of the library board.

After an official ribbon cutting by library director Christine Hage and library board president Priscilla Hildum, the public was invited to tour the 70,000-square-foot building. Library visitors enjoyed musical entertainment, costumed characters, refreshments, and activities throughout the following week.

According to the *Rochester Eccentric*, the new library building was made possible through a 1988 voter-approved bond. During the 1980s, it became apparent that the community library needed a bigger space to accommodate a growing population. The Olde Towne Road site was purchased with assistance from the Rochester Downtown Development Authority (DDA).

Located on the edge of Rochester's central business district, the library property is bordered by the Paint Creek and Paint Creek Trail to the north and east. Bay windows on the north side of the building take advantage of the scenic views of Paint Creek. Designed by TMP Associates, Inc. and constructed by Frank Rewold & Son, Inc., the building's exterior design and use of stone and red brick recall the architecture of the mills in Rochester's early days.

In honor of the new building, the Rochester branch of the Woman's National Farm & Garden Association purchased a camperdown elm tree and planted it in front along Olde Towne Road. The tree's distinctive shape comes from grafting the root system to the top of the tree. The original camperdown elms at the former library building could not be moved without the risk of destroying them. RHPL continues to showcase the tree in its official logo.



TEEN PROGRAMS



Register online at calendar.rhpl.org or scan the QR code using the camera on your mobile device. Questions? Call the Adult Reference Desk at 248-650-7130 or send an email to teen@rhpl.org.

TEEN ADVISORY BOARD (TAB)

Wednesdays: September 7, October 5 & November 9, 7 p.m. Conference Room A/Discord.

Share your ideas about teen programs and other library matters at these fun meetings (now holding hybrid meetings online and in person). Fill out a TAB application by clicking on the Teen Volunteer tab under Teen Services at rhpl.org. Questions? Contact RHPL's teen librarian at teen@rhpl.org.



RHPL PLAYER'S GUILD (RPG)

Wednesdays: September 28, October 12 & November 30, 7 p.m. Conference Room A.

Come to the library to play tabletop games, including board games, card games, role-playing games, and more! Interested in becoming a dungeon master for D&D or leading a specific board game? Send an email to teen@rhpl.org for more information.

TEEN CRAFTERNOON

Wednesdays: September 21, October 26 & November 16, 7 p.m. Eureka Lab.

If you enjoy being creative, join other teens to make unique items in RHPL's Eureka Lab.



VIDEO GAME TOURNAMENT

Wednesdays: September 28 & October 12, 7 p.m. Multipurpose Room.

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

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Register online at calendar.rhpl.org or scan the QR code using the camera on your mobile device. Questions? Call the Adult Reference Desk at 248-650-7130 or send an email to adult.reference@rhpl.org.

Personalized Drink Glasses Wednesday, September 7, 6:30 p.m.

Embellish a drinking glass with a fun twist using special vinyl that changes color when cold!

Personalized Totes! Wednesday, September 28, 6 p.m.

Design a personalized tote bag for everyday use.

Python Coding Class Mondays: October 3, 10, 17 & 24. 6 p.m. Grades 6-8. Eureka Lab.

Join the McMath-Hulbert Astronomical Society for a four-week introductory course on learning Python Coding Language.

DIY Trick or Treat Bags Wednesday, October 12, 6:30 p.m.

Make your own funny, scary or sweet trick-or-treat bag and enjoy it for years!



Book Page Pumpkin Wednesday, October 5, 6:30 p.m.

Have fun upcycling old books by making fun paper pumpkins to add to any decor!

Paper Leaf Wreath Wednesday, November 9, 6 p.m.

Learn to use the Cricut machine to make a fun fall wreath!

Sublimation Keychains Tuesday, November 29, 6 p.m.

Learn how to transfer a design onto ceramic using heat and ink and make fun, personalized keychains.

Innovative Items Collection

RHPL continues to provide patrons with resources to inform, educate, enlighten, and entertain through the Innovative Items Collection (IIC). This collection includes non-traditional library items like tools, household items, equipment, technology, and more. Visit rhpl.org/services/innovative-items.



 Register all children attending with the child's RHPL card (if required). See page 2 for information on how to sign up for a library card. Register online at calendar.rhpl.org or scan the QR code using the camera on your mobile device. Questions? Call the Youth Reference Desk at 248-650-7140 or email youthreference@rhpl.org. Registrations for youth programs open one week before the programs begin.

Authors in April Kickoff

Wednesday, September 7,
7 p.m. All Ages.
Multipurpose Room.

Celebrate the "Authors in April" kickoff and discover the mystery author! Registration is not required, and the public is welcome to attend.



Free Play Saturday!

Saturdays: September 10, October 8 &
November 12, 10 a.m. Ages 1-5.
Multipurpose Room.

Join Ms. Wendy for a fun-filled hour of play-based learning for toddlers and preschoolers. Each date has a separate registration.

Fall Story Groups

Mondays: September 12-October 17.

In-person, indoor story groups return to RHPL! The Fall Story Group session will begin on Monday September 12, and continue for six weeks. Different groups are offered during this session; detailed descriptions and registration information on each one is available at calendar.rhpl.org.

Evening Family Storytime

Wednesdays: September 14, October 12 &
November 9, 7 p.m. All Ages.
Youth Story Room.

Enjoy a special monthly themed storytime and project for the whole family with Ms. Wendy. Each date has a separate registration.

Villain Crafts

Saturday, September 17, 10 a.m.,
11 a.m., 12 p.m., or 1 p.m.
Ages 9-14. Multipurpose Room.

Have a favorite Villain? Make cool crafts featuring your favorite villain characters.



Sight-Word Bingo!

Monday, September 19, 6 p.m. Ages 4+.
Multipurpose Room.

Do you have a child who is learning sight words? If so, then sight-word bingo for the whole family is perfect for you! Have your lucky bingo charms ready when you arrive. This program starts promptly at 6 p.m.

Bad Art Night

Thursday, September 22, 6 p.m. Ages 9-12.
Multipurpose Room.

Can you make bad art? Find out using your imagination and RHPL's art supplies! Artists will be given challenges and awards for the most terrible works of art.

Kaboomistry

Friday, October 7, 1 p.m. All Ages.
Multipurpose Room.

Why do things explode? The Michigan Science Center will be here to talk about the relationships between pressure, temperature, and fuel to explain why things go KA-BOOM! This program will be a loud, visually-stimulating presentation.

Monster Pumpkins 📖

*Thursday, October 13, 6 p.m. Ages 7-12.
Multipurpose Room.*

Paint a little pumpkin into any type of monster you want.

**T-Rex Tea Party** 📖

*Thursday, October 20, 6 p.m. Ages 4-8.
Multipurpose Room.*

You are cordially invited to a roaring good tea party! Come dressed in either dinosaur or tea time attire for T-Rex crafts and games.

Spy Training Camp 📖

*Tuesday, October 25, 6:30 p.m. Ages 5-10.
Multipurpose Room.*

Calling all recruits! Train to be a spy at the library with morse code crafts, invisible ink, and more!

Scissor Challenge 📖

*Saturday November 5, 2 p.m. Ages 3-7.
Multipurpose Room.*

Test your scissor skills and find out if you can complete tricky cutting crafts.

Big Fun in the Big Room 📖

*Mondays: November 7, 14, 21, 28 &
December 5, 10:30 a.m.*

*Wednesdays: November 9, 16, 23, 30 &
December 7, 10:30 a.m.*

Ages Birth-5. Multipurpose Room.

Read stories, sing songs, and enjoy active play and movement with your favorite Youth librarians in the big room where we'll have some big fun!

Parent Child Workshop 📖

*Tuesdays: November 8, 15, 22, 29 &
December 6, 10 a.m. Ages 1-3.*

Multipurpose Room.

Do you look forward to family time? Families can relax, make friends, and talk one-on-one with child development specialists in this fun, play-based, five-week workshop with Ms. Wendy.

Portraits like Picasso 📖

*Tuesday, November 8, 2:30 p.m. Ages 4 & Up.
Multipurpose Room.*

Cubism is an art movement created by artists Pablo Picasso and Georges Braque. Visually, it's an intense use of geometric shapes over forms. Learn a bit more about this interesting art and create a portrait in the Cubist style.

Turkey Book 📖

*Monday, November 4.
All Day. Ages 6-12.
Take & Make.*

Love turkeys? Learn how to turn an old book into a turkey with this neat craft!

**Battle of the Books Kickoff** 📖

*Wednesday, November 9, 6 p.m.
Grade 5 & Caregivers. Multipurpose Room.*

Discover this year's 12 battle titles! Battle of the Books is a reading competition for all fifth graders who live in Rochester, Rochester Hills, or Oakland Township. Students form teams of three-to-five students, read the assigned list of books as a team, and battle in March (answer questions about the books). Team registration runs from November 16 to February 4. This event will be livestreamed.

Princess Pandemonium Storytime 📖

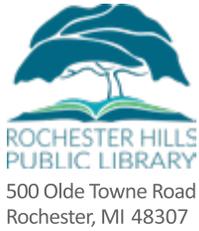
*Friday, November 18, 10:30 a.m. All Ages.
Multipurpose Room.*

Let's read books about a few amazing, non-Disney princesses! Make sure to come dressed in your favorite princess garb! Be ready to help save a baby dragon and cross a dangerous moat. Princes welcome!

Battle of the Books Coach Meeting

*Saturday, December 10, 11 a.m. Adult Coaches.
Multipurpose Room.*

Learn everything you need to know to run successful battles. Registration is not required. This meeting will be livestreamed.



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THINGS TO DO

Metro Detroit entertainment July 8 and beyond

- Royal Oak Blues Band: 6 p.m. July 20 and Jackamo is Aug. 25, Rochester Hills Public Library, 500 Olde Towne Road, Rochester, on the library's West Lawn, bring a blanket or low-back lawn chairs. If inclement weather, performances will be inside the library, open to the public, registration is required at calendar.rhpl.org or call 248-656-2900.
- 4th Annual Rochester Author Fair is Nov. 26, at the library's Multipurpose Room. Applications from authors are due by 5 p.m. July 29 at rhpl.org/authors. Twenty local authors will be selected and notified by early September.

Royal Oak Tribune, July 7, 2022

THINGS TO DO

Oakland County community calendar July 10 and beyond

- Rochester Hills Public Library to host American Red Cross Blood Drive, noon-6 p.m. July 18, at the library, 500 Olde Towne Road in Rochester, must be in good health, 110 lbs.+, age 16+ redcrossblood.org.

Oakland Press, July 10, 2022

Rochester-Rochester Hills | Local Event

Wet & Wild Wednesdays

 Rochester Hills Museum at Van Hoosen Farm, Neighbor

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Event Details

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 Rochester Hills Museum at Van Hoosen Farm, 1005 Van Hoosen Rd, Rochester Hills, MI, 48306

Wet and Wild Wednesdays

July 20, 27

12:00pm – 2:00pm

Free for Members

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No registration required, www.rochesterhills.org/musprograms

Every Wednesday in July, slide over to the Museum for some summer fun! You'll find musical entertainment starting at 12 noon and water fun starts at 1pm with two huge slip and slides, a Rochester Hills Fire Truck, cool sprinklers for little kids, wading in Stoney Creek and water activities sponsored by the Clinton River Watershed Council. Rochester Hills Public Library Book mobile will be on site, and you can learn more about Michigan's animals and plants with the City of Rochester Hills Outdoor Engagement team.

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July 20 School of Rock Rochester

July 27 Joel Tacey, Michigan's Family Funnyman

Rochester Patch, July 2022

THINGS TO DO

Metro Detroit entertainment July 15 and beyond

- Royal Oak Blues Band: 6 p.m. July 20 and Jackamo is Aug. 25, Rochester Hills Public Library, 500 Olde Towne Road, Rochester, on the library's West Lawn, bring a blanket or low-back lawn chairs. If inclement weather, performances will be inside the library, open to the public, registration is required at calendar.rhpl.org or call 248-656-2900.

Macomb Daily, July 15, 2022

THINGS TO DO

Oakland County community calendar July 17 and beyond

- Rochester Hills Public Library to host American Red Cross Blood Drive, noon-6 p.m. July 18, at the library, 500 Olde Towne Road in Rochester, must be in good health, 110 lbs.+, age 16+ redcrossblood.org.
- Rochester Hills Public Library, 500 Olde Towne Road, Rochester, "How to Journal for Meditation" is 7 p.m. July 19, open to RHPL cardholders, registration required at calendar.rhpl.org or call 248-656-2900.

Oakland Press, July 17, 2022

THINGS TO DO > TV AND STREAMING

Metro Detroit entertainment July 22 and beyond

- 4th Annual Rochester Author Fair is Nov. 26, at the library's Multipurpose Room. Applications from authors are due by 5 p.m. July 29 at rhpl.org/authors. Twenty local authors will be selected and notified by early September.

Oakland Press, July 21, 2022

THINGS TO DO

Oakland County community calendar July 24 and beyond

- Rochester Hills Public Library, 500 Olde Towne Road, Rochester, "Turtles & Frogs with Dinosaur Hill": 7 p.m. July 26, Amanda Felk of Dinosaur Hill presents a nature program for all ages, about the ten species of turtles found in Michigan, open to RHPL cardholders, registration is required at calendar.rhpl.org or call 248-656-2900.

Oakland Press, July 24, 2022



The quickest way to get caught up on the most important things happening today in Rochester-Rochester Hills.

- Turtles & Frogs with Dinosaur Hill - Rochester Hills Public Library ([7:00 PM](#))

Rochester Patch, July 27, 2022

Rochester Hills Public Library Programs



Courtney Jones



Turtles and Frogs



Royal Oak Blues



Cool Things

Rochester Hills Public Library will host a workshop on "How to Journal for Meditation" with local life coach and yoga instructor Courtney Jones on Tuesday, July 19, at 7 p.m. in the library's Multipurpose Room. Jones will show attendees the many benefits of journaling and will provide journal prompts and discuss ways to set up a daily practice.

This program is open to RHPL cardholders and requires registration. To register, visit calendar.rhpl.org or call 248-656-2900.

Rochester Hills Public Library is pleased to host the **Royal Oak Blues Band in concert** on Wednesday, July 20 at 6 p.m. on the library's West Lawn in front of the iconic rotunda.

This popular band returns to RHPL for an evening of blues and blues-influenced music. Space is limited. Attendees are encouraged to bring a blanket or low-back lawn chairs. In case of inclement weather, performances will move inside to the library's Multipurpose Room.

RHPL's Outdoor Summer Concert Series concludes on August 25 with the local folk duo, Jackamo.

All concerts are open to the public. Registration is required. Registration opens one month prior to the concert date. To register, visit calendar.rhpl.org or call 248-656-2900.

Turtles and Frogs with Dinosaur Hill: Rochester Hills Public Library welcomes Amanda Felk of Dinosaur Hill on July 26 at 7 p.m. in the library's Multipurpose Room for an informative and fun nature program for all ages. If you love the outdoors, then come and explore the wetland world of the ten species of turtles found in Michigan. Felk will discuss the easiest way to identify a snapping turtle and explain why turtles make poor pets. Attendees will also meet a live turtle or two!

This event is open to

RHPL cardholders. Registration is required. To register, visit calendar.rhpl.org or call 248-656-2900.

Cool Things in the Universe: Rochester Hills Public Library welcomes Jerry Chevrier of the Oakland Astronomy Club

on August 11 at 7 p.m., in the library's Multipurpose Room, for an informative and fun program for all ages. Chevrier will discuss black holes, neutron stars, dark energy, and other cool things in the universe. If weather permits, attendees

will venture outside to view the moon through a telescope.

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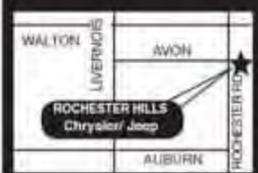
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Rochester Regional Chamber of Commerce Announces

Women Leaders In Business

Luncheon!

Rochester, MI – The Rochester Regional Chamber of Commerce (RRCC) invites local female entrepreneurs and innovators to our annual Women Leaders in Business Luncheon, with presenting sponsors Beaumont & First State Bank, on Thursday, August 25. This year's event is from 11:00 am to 1:30 pm at Cherry Creek Golf Club.

Surround yourself with successful and driven women business leaders. Enjoy lunch and hear from inspiring female innovators in the greater Rochester area while learning how to better manage your finances and plan for a secure future.

The topic is "Wise Women & Money: Taking control of your Financial Future!" and featured speakers include experts in the financial and legal industries:

- Cindy Couyoumjian, Financial Advisor at Cinergy Financial
- Julie Lobaza, Vice President & Wealth Manager at Rochester Wealth Strategies
- Kelly Braun, Attorney at The Law Office of Kelly T. Braun

Tickets

Registration is open, along with a list of sponsorship opportunities at: <https://business.rrc-mi.com/events/details/women-leaders-in-business-luncheon-32025>

Tickets are \$40 per RRC member or \$50 for non-members.

More about the Chamber

The Rochester Regional Chamber of Commerce is privileged to have ten community-minded businesses and organizations that are significant partners of the Chamber. Thank you: Ascension Providence Rochester Hospital, Oakland University, Chief Financial Credit Union, Bellbrook; Mattina, Kent & Gibbons P.C.; PAR Pharmaceutical, Rochester University, Mocerri Companies, First State Bank, & Beaumont. We appreciate your support.

The Mission of the Rochester Regional Chamber of Commerce is to provide leadership and resources to advance business development in partnership with civic, cultural and educational interests for the benefit of its members and the community.

Visit our website: www.rrc-mi.com

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COMMUNITY

Library Programs *Continued from page 25*

This event is open to RHPL cardholders. Registration is required. To register, visit calendar.rhpl.org or call 248-656-2900.

Rochester Hills Public Library is located at 500 Olde Towne Road in Rochester, MI, and serves to provide lifelong learning opportunities, instill a love

of reading, and offer equal access to information to over 110,000 patrons. The library serves as a community town square where visitors enjoy innovative ways to learn and socialize through a variety of programs, including an annual summer reading challenge, parent-child workshops, and weekly lectures.

The library's expansive and user-friendly database allows its cardholders to use eBooks, movies, and music downloads, language and genealogy services, tutor.com, and consumer reports at no cost. For more information about Rochester Hills Public Library's unique offerings, visit rhpl.org.

Rochester Hills Museum *Continued from page 23* Downtown Rochester Bike Tour

Meet at Rotary Gateway Park near the Rochester Hills Public Library west side parking lot on Tuesday, July 26, from 6:30-8:30 p.m. for a Downtown Rochester Bike Tour. Rochester's history includes 200 years of European white settlement and thousands of years old if we study the Native Americans. Visit fascinating locations throughout town that will kindle pride for our community's colorful past. We will check out a cemetery, schools, sports fields, businesses, and the stories that make this our town. The cost is \$15/museum members; \$20/non-members. Registration required by Monday, July 25 at 12 p.m. by visiting rochesterhills.org/musprograms.

The Rochester Hills Museum at Van Hoosen Farm is listed on the National Register of Historic Places and features the stories, people, and events that has made our community an exceptional place to call home for 200 years. The site hosts weddings, anniversaries, graduation parties, and more. Visit www.rochesterhills.org/museum.



— COMMUNITY HAPPENINGS —

EVENTS

Meet the Mayor

Meet Rochester Mayor Stuart Bikson on July 26 at 11 a.m. at the OPC. Stay up to date on happenings in your community. The OPC is located at 650 Letica Drive, Rochester. For tickets or more information, call 248-659-1029 or visit opcseior-center.org.

C.O.R.E. Meeting

The next C.O.R.E. meeting will be on August 18 at 8 a.m. via Zoom. (There is no meeting in July.) The group meets to promote a network which fosters cooperation and coordination among non-profit organizations in the Greater Rochester Area and to disseminate information about these member organizations to the community. For more information, visit rochestercore.org/

Oakland County Farmers' Market

The Oakland County Farmers Market is located at 2350 Pontiac Lake Road in Waterford. It is a producer-direct market that hosts more than 100 farmers and artisans representing 17 Michigan counties. The Farmers' Market is open Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays, from now through December from 7 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. For details, call 248-858-5495

ORGANIZATIONS

FREE Virtual Care partner wellness support program

This program is designated for care partners of persons living with Alzheimer's disease and memory disorders. Learn to practice mindfulness and healthy balance living. The program will meet the first Thursday of every month. Sessions will be offered between 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. An iPad loan closet and technology training are available. Sponsored by the Huizenga Fund, First Congregational Church of Rochester, and facilitated by Life Skills Centers Memory Care Services. To register or for more information, contact April Mauro

586-924-1300 or amauro@lifeskillscentersinc.org.

Compassionate Friends

Meetings take place the third Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. at St. Paul's United Methodist Church, 620 Romeo Road in Rochester. The mission of the Compassionate Friends is to provide highly personal support to those experiencing the death of a child. Email tcf.troychapter@gmail.com or visit <http://www.tcf-troychapter.org>. Call Tina at 586-634-0239.

CODA Codependents Anonymous (CODA) has returned to in-person meetings in Rochester Hills on Mondays at 7:30 p.m. There's also an online meeting on Thursdays (visit coda.org for details). The location for in-

person meetings is the Lutheran Church of Abiding Presence, 1550 Walton Blvd., Rochester Hills. Call Grant H. 248-561-0028 or Cheryl A. at 248-931-2574 for information.

Oakland Literacy Council seeks volunteer tutors

The Council is looking for volunteers to tutor adult learners in Rochester Hills, Troy and Pontiac either virtually or in-person. Training and curriculum are provided. Volunteers tutor whenever it is convenient for them. Email: laurie.w@oaklandliteracy.com, call 248-253-1617, or visit www.oaklandliteracy.com/become-a-tutor.

Send information to communitylifestyles@inbox.com.



The Rochester Area Neighborhood House is collecting donations of school supplies for its Blast Off 2 School program.

Photo provided by the Rochester Area Neighborhood House

School supplies for kids in need collected through Aug. 1

By: Mary Beth Almond | Rochester Post | Published July 27, 2022

ROCHESTER/ROCHESTER HILLS/OAKLAND TOWNSHIP — As families begin shopping for school supplies, the Rochester Area Neighborhood House is hoping they will pick up a few extras for local kids in need.

Rochester Area Neighborhood House is once again hosting the Blast Off 2 School supply drive to provide school supplies, back-to-school clothing and over 400 backpacks to children in need.

Individuals, organizations and businesses can help by donating school supplies through Aug. 1.

“With the rise in inflation, we’re expecting a greater need from students this year,” Michael Dreon, Neighborhood House executive director, said in a statement. “Support from the community is pivotal in setting our school-age neighbors on the path to success for the upcoming school year.”

This year, the following items are especially needed, according to Neighborhood House officials: backpacks, calculators, three-ring binders, pointed tip scissors, ballpoint pens, mechanical pencils, colored pencils, highlighters, solid color pocket folders, dry erase markers, washable markers, spiral notebooks, binder dividers and more. For the full wish list, visit www.ranh.org/donate-now.

Meagan Mommersteeg, the director of marketing and communications for Neighborhood House, said the COVID-19 pandemic has added to the economic struggles of many families.

“We’re really seeing such an increase in demand for basic needs, so this program is so important, because not only does it help provide school supplies and clothing, but there is also the health assessment and sports physical component. We really just want to set kids up for success for their school year. It’s so important to start the school year on the right foot and to have the proper items.”



Members of the Linda Rea Team donate to the Blast Off 2 School supply drive.
Photo provided by the Rochester Area Neighborhood House

School supplies can be dropped off at Ram's Horn, 1990 S. Rochester Road in Rochester Hills; the Rochester Hills Public Library, 500 Olde Towne Road in Rochester; the Rochester Fire Station, 277 E. Second St.; Auburn Hills City Hall, 1827 N. Squirrel Road; and the Neighborhood House main office, 1720 S. Livernois Road.

Families in need can register their students to receive free health screenings and sports physicals offered by Ascension Providence Rochester Hospital 3-7 p.m. Aug. 3 at Neighborhood House's main office, 1720 S. Livernois in Rochester Hills. All participants will receive a completed health appraisal form.

The Blast Off 2 School event will be held 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Aug. 13 at Neighborhood House's main office. Each participant will receive a backpack, school supplies, clothing and a hygiene kit provided by the Assistance League of Southeastern Michigan. To participate in the back-to-school supply pickup, families must register online by Wednesday, Aug. 3.

Both the health screening and Blast Off 2 School programs are free for families with children ages 4-18 who qualify for Medicaid or free and reduced lunch programs, and who live in Addison Township, Auburn Hills, Oakland Township, Rochester or Rochester Hills.

Neighborhood House provides rent and utility financial assistance, operates a food pantry and clothes closet, offers transportation services, provides counseling, facilitates educational programs for families in need, and more.

To register for the event, visit www.ranh.org/get-help or call (248) 651-5836. To volunteer for Neighborhood House, email volunteer@ranh.org or call (248) 651-5836.

Rochester Post, July 27, 2022



ROCHESTER HILLS PUBLIC LIBRARY

Public Notice

Rochester Hills Public Library

The Trustees of Rochester Hills Public Library will hold a public hearing on Monday, August 8, 2022, at 8 p.m. in the Boardroom at Rochester Hills Public Library on the Library's budget for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2023. Rochester Hills Public Library is located at 500 Olde Towne Road, Rochester, MI 48307.

The regular monthly meeting will follow at the conclusion of the public hearing. A copy of the proposed budget will be available for review at the Library on Friday, August 5, 2022.

For more information please contact Juliane Morian, Library Director, Rochester Hills Public Library, at 248-650-7122.

NOTE: The library will provide necessary, reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting, to individuals with disabilities upon one weeks' notice to the Library by contacting the following:

Outreach Services

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Library Director's Report



ROCHESTER HILLS
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Director's Report

August 8, 2022

1. Library Funding at the State and National Level

The Michigan legislature has approved a budget for 2023 that includes an increase of \$500,000 in state aid for libraries. There is also a FY23 budget line of \$25 million for out of school time (OST) grants, split between intermediate school districts (ISD) and community-based organizations (CBO) with at least 60% going to CBOs, which includes nonprofits, libraries and local municipalities. RHPL will continue to watch for grants that benefit the library community.

At the federal level, the Senate Appropriations Committee released draft versions of budget bills that provide federal funding to modernize library buildings (nationwide), which is directly related to the advocacy around the Build America's Libraries Act. If enacted, the bills would provide \$20 million in new funding to improve library and museum facilities, distributed by IMLS. The House Appropriations Committee approved its versions of funding bills in June; ultimately, both chambers will have to resolve differences since the House bill does not include the \$20 million for library facilities.

2. Board Training Opportunities

The Library of Michigan has purchased statewide registration to the advocacy group, United for Libraries, for all trustees in Michigan. Board members are encouraged to register for a free, three-day virtual training session that takes place August 9-11, 2022. Once registered, trainings can be accessed and viewed on demand.

The Michigan Cooperative Director's Association is working alongside the Michigan Library Association (MLA) to host a virtual training event for trustees on Thursday, August 11 from 6:00 - 7:30 PM. Attendees will learn about the importance of established library policy, good governance, and more when faced with politically motivated challenges to intellectual freedom.

The MLA Annual conference offers early bird registration until September 9th for staff and board members to attend in Port Huron, October 19 – 21, 2022.

3. Bookmobile Repairs

The community bookmobile has been sidelined with multiple repairs during July. Initially the vehicle was being serviced for an air-conditioning failure, but in the course of the inspection, mechanics determined that a fuel line to the generator also needed to be replaced as well. There had also been springs ordered previously for the front and back end that were in dire need of replacement. Repair parts were slowed by supply chain issues at a nationwide level. As of Tuesday, August 2, 2022 the air conditioning unit and front springs were installed, and the generator and fuel line should be resolved by August 12th.

Concurrent with repairs on the community bookmobile, the blue bus transmission needs to be replaced, which is estimated at \$3,000 and covered in the current year's budget for repairs. Again, with supply chain issues, the repair could last several weeks.

RHPL is pursuing two possible vendors for acquiring a new community bookmobile. Summit Bodyworks in Colorado has three options, ranging in size and price, for brand new builds. Their lead-time is approximately 12-18 months. Mission Mobile is a vendor who has been in the business of building mobile medical units and has begun working with libraries in building bookmobiles. They start with a gently used (less than three years old) chassis and expand upon that. This cuts the lead-time about in half, where they could deliver in about nine months at a significantly lower cost. Both vendors will build to our specifications.

4. Personnel Updates

After a broad search for a new Teen Librarian, I am pleased to report that Matt Kessler will join the Rochester Hills Public Library in mid-August. Matt has six years of experience as a librarian, four of which have been as the Teen Librarian at the Grosse Pointe Public Library.

Steve Clement was promoted to the role of Facilities Manager based on his record of accomplishment as the Facilities Specialist over the past two years. The promotion to manager brings with it more responsibilities with budget compliance and capital replacement forecasting, and more day-to-day management of volunteers within the department.

5. Out of the Office

I am out of the office from August 12th - August 20th and the following staff will be in charge:

- Saturday, August 13th: Betsy Raczkowski, Head of Youth Services
- Monday, August 14th: Allison Sartwell, Head of Adult Services
- Tuesday, August 15th: Derek Brown, Director of IT
- Wednesday, August 16th: Derek Brown, Director of IT
- Thursday, August 17th: Brittany Christofel, Circulation Manager
- Friday, August 18th: Jenny Doetsch, Cataloging Manager
- Saturday, August 19th: Mary Davis, Head of Outreach Services

6. Upcoming Events

August 13, 2022	End of Summer Reading Program
August 23, 2022	Friends of RHPL Board Meeting, 7pm
September 3-5, 2022	RHPL closed in observance of Labor Day
September 11, 2022	RHPL resumes Sunday hours
September 12, 2022	RHPL Board of Trustees Meeting, 7pm (with time change)
September 27, 2022	Friends of RHPL Board Meeting, 7pm
October 10, 2022	RHPL Board of Trustees Meeting, 7pm

Statistical Report - Usage for the month of July 2022

Circulation

Main Library	Previous YTD	Current YTD	This Month LY	This Month	MTM Change
Staff-Assisted Checkouts	106,320	92,755	15,267	13,758	-9.9%
Self Checkouts	190,908	209,757	37,879	35,802	-5.5%
Renewals	297,075	352,347	53,980	56,122	4.0%
e-Materials Circ	117,345	139,974	15,147	20,599	36.0%
Outreach	Previous YTD	Current YTD	This Month LY	This Month	MTM Change
Bookmobile Circ	9,074	27,687	3,078	2,798	-9.1%
Mini-Branch Circ	7,284	10,531	1,339	1,490	11.3%
OTBS Circ	52,392	48,259	7,631	6,148	-19.4%
OTBS Polaris	417	514	46	101	119.6%
Interlibrary Loans	Previous YTD	Current YTD	This Month LY	This Month	MTM Change
MelCat borrowed	10,707	10,469	1,499	1,333	-11.1%
MelCat loaned	7,060	14,750	1,648	1,908	15.8%
Total Circulation	798,582	907,043	137,514	140,059	1.9%

Other Usage Statistics

	Previous YTD	Current YTD	This Month LY	This Month	MTM Change
In-Person Visits	106,682	218,398	27,098	30,910	14.1%
Public Room Bookings	0	254	0	15	∞
Study Room Bookings	236	4,235	236	522	121.2%
Programs for Adults	110	98	14	10	-28.6%
Attendance (Adults)	2,442	2,358	221	224	1.4%
Programs for Children	79	69	14	16	14.3%
Attendance (Children)	3,746	3,827	360	445	23.6%
Computer Signups	5,388	8,955	1,115	1,346	20.7%
Wireless Users	17,917	35,630	4,554	4,946	8.6%
Unique Website Hits	110,328	115,196	14,326	15,523	8.4%
Social Media Follows	86,243	91,767	12,506	13,334	6.6%
Social Media Engage	1,020,011	1,320,724	220,691	187,221	-15.2%
Database Hits	40,633	40,010	5,473	5,132	-6.2%
Volunteer Hours	2,027	2,685	302	356	17.9%

Number of Library Card Holders

Municipality	This Month LY	This Month	% Total
Rochester Hills	44,092	46,648	65.6%
Rochester	7,684	9,849	13.8%
Oakland Township	9,065	10,219	14.4%
Michicard	170	277	0.4%
Non-residents	3,589	4,129	5.8%
Total Card Holders	64,600	71,122	100%

Number of Items

Type of Material	This Month LY	This Month
Print Materials	226,483	242,088
Audio Materials	17,497	18,330
Video Materials	45,490	44,544
Other Materials	431	430
E-Material	23,271	22,795
Total Holdings	313,172	328,187

Committee Updates



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Budget Plan

Year Ending December 31, 2023

Rochester Hills Public Library

Budget Plan

	Year Ending December 31, 2023			
	2021 Actual	2022 Budget	2022 Projected	2023 Budget
Revenue				
Property Taxes (City of Rochester Hills)	\$2,867,807	\$2,902,800	\$2,941,016	\$3,037,230
Service Contracts:				
City of Rochester	512,925	518,690	518,690	537,680
Oakland Township	882,249	909,700	909,700	966,100
Total Service Contracts	<u>\$1,395,174</u>	<u>\$1,428,390</u>	<u>\$1,428,390</u>	<u>\$1,503,780</u>
State Aid	128,224	132,500	147,800	147,800
Oakland Talking Book Service	154,021	158,640	158,640	150,000
Oakland County (penal fines)	177,430	138,400	163,476	153,100
Library Fines and Fees	54,872	62,000	56,524	50,000
Investment Income	-7,350	12,000	0	2,000
Gifts:				
Designated Gifts - General	11,602	3,345	3,570	10,000
Designated Gifts - Friends of RHPL	100,000	170,000	170,000	171,000
Undesignated Gifts	43,073	35,000	38,900	37,800
Total Gifts	<u>\$154,675</u>	<u>\$208,345</u>	<u>\$212,470</u>	<u>\$218,800</u>
Other Income:				
Miscellaneous & Grants	9,513	22,000	10,000	8,190
Total Other Income	<u>\$9,513</u>	<u>\$22,000</u>	<u>\$10,000</u>	<u>\$8,190</u>
Fund balance transfer			\$270,284	
Total fund balance transfer			<u>\$270,284</u>	
Total Revenue	<u><u>\$4,934,366</u></u>	<u><u>\$5,065,075</u></u>	<u><u>\$5,388,600</u></u>	<u><u>\$5,270,900</u></u>

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Budget Plan

Expenditures	Year Ending December 31, 2023			
	2021 Actual	2022 Budget	2022 Projected	2023 Budget
Personnel:				
Salaries and Wages	2,224,816	2,480,400	2,345,000	2,557,800
Employee Benefits	560,012	690,300	665,000	578,700
Total Personnel	<u>\$2,784,828</u>	<u>\$3,170,700</u>	<u>\$3,010,000</u>	<u>\$3,136,500</u>
Library Materials:				
Books	285,209	305,000	305,000	345,000
Audiovisual	132,706	135,900	135,900	134,900
Print & Electronic Subscriptions, Innovative Items	293,380	359,100	359,100	360,100
Total Library Materials	<u>\$711,295</u>	<u>\$800,000</u>	<u>\$800,000</u>	<u>\$840,000</u>
Facilities and Equipment:				
Bookmobile Maintenance	12,448	26,000	22,000	25,000
IT Equipment Maintenance	86,412	94,600	94,600	95,000
Facilities Maintenance	211,649	224,200	224,200	231,000
Insurance	18,632	19,000	19,000	19,000
Voice and Data Services	23,317	26,000	17,000	26,000
Utilities	154,877	146,000	155,000	164,000
Total Facilities and Equipment	<u>\$507,335</u>	<u>\$535,800</u>	<u>\$531,800</u>	<u>\$560,000</u>
Capital Outlay	\$114,532	\$171,000	\$751,000	\$355,100
Professional and Contractual Services	\$65,310	\$79,000	\$65,000	\$70,000
Programs (underwritten by Friends of RHPL)	\$26,957	\$53,000	\$50,000	\$53,000
Other Operating Expenses:				
Postage	34,006	25,000	25,000	21,000
Promotion and Printing (underwritten by FRHPL)	47,623	46,600	50,000	50,800
Staff Memberships & Development (underwritten by FRHPL)	21,049	40,675	38,000	40,500
Supplies	19,779	28,500	28,000	28,500
Miscellaneous (OTBS supplies, tax refunds)	20,857	14,800	14,800	15,500
Contingency	0	100,000	25,000	100,000
Total Other Operating Expenditures	<u>\$143,314</u>	<u>\$255,575</u>	<u>\$180,800</u>	<u>\$256,300</u>
Total Expenditures	<u><u>\$4,353,571</u></u>	<u><u>\$5,065,075</u></u>	<u><u>\$5,388,600</u></u>	<u><u>\$5,270,900</u></u>

Reconsideration of Library Materials Policy

Policy Statement

The library board recognizes the right of individuals to question materials in the library collection. The board of trustees further recognizes that democracy functions only if a range of human ideas is accessible to the people and if proponents of various points of view are able to fully and openly make their cases, however popular or unpopular they may be. This principle is guaranteed in the First Amendment of the Constitution of the United States which protects the free expression of ideas. It is exemplified by public libraries which provide access to those ideas in accordance with the American Library Association's Library Bill of Rights. Thus, the library collection, protected by the First Amendment, is a marketplace of ideas which are contained in varied and divergent materials.

Regulations

1. The inclusion of an item or resource in the Library's collections is not an endorsement of a particular point of view or philosophy and the patron's choice of library materials for personal use is an individual matter. The Library's Material Selection Policy governs the criteria and manner of selection. While a person may reject materials for himself or herself and for his or her children, he or she cannot exercise censorship to restrict materials access to any others. Responsibility for the use of materials by children and adolescents rests with their parents or legal guardians.
2. A resident who objects to an item already in the collection or made electronically accessible by the library should discuss the reasons with a librarian for an explanation of the library's criteria for selection, acquisition or access.
3. Members of the public may not relocate books or other materials to which they object in an attempt to limit access for other patrons. Members of the public are subject to all policies of the Library, including the Code of Conduct, while pursuing any challenge to Library materials.
- ~~2.4.~~ Residents in the service area can request a professional staff evaluation of material, which will be completed by a minimum of two librarians who are familiar with the collection and the intended audience, appointed by the library director. Professional staff evaluation of materials will be completed within 14 days per title and will be communicated in writing to the resident. Evaluation will consist of, but is not limited to, a close reading of the entire work, professional reviews, item usage statistics, press coverage and critical acclaim, and awards.
5. The item in question will be retained in the library's circulating collection until the professional staff, the library director, or the library board completes the review process and makes a determination.
6. The library director will evaluate if the material in question was acquired according to all Library policies, including the Material Selection Policy, and makes the final decision to retain, remove, or re-catalog the item. The library director will

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~~communicate that decision in writing to the resident. If a resident's concern remains unresolved, The resident~~ any patron in the library's service area may ~~appeal the decision to the library board address an objection to the presence or absence of a work~~ by completing and signing the *Statement of Concern Regarding Library Resources* form in full. Incomplete forms will be referred back to the resident.

A. Items must be evaluated as a complete work, not excerpts.¹

A.B. Items cannot be banned from a library collection based on personal viewpoint as the only criteria for the request for removal.²

~~7.~~ The library director ~~professional staff~~ and a minimum of one ~~the~~ library trustee, appointed by the board president, will review the material in question and the resident's ~~patron's~~ *Statement of Concern Regarding Library Resources*. Within 90 days of both receipt of the form and a copy of the title for evaluation, the reviewers will provide a recommendation to the board.

~~3.8.~~ The patron will be informed of the trustees' decision regarding the ~~appeal request for reconsideration~~. The decision of the library board is final.

~~4.9.~~ Items previously reviewed and retained by the library board shall not be reconsidered for removal for two years.

~~5.10.~~ The library collection will be organized and maintained to facilitate access. Any labeling, sequestering or alteration of materials because of controversy surrounding the materials will not be sanctioned.

Approved: ~~October 13, 2008~~

Rochester Hills Public Library Board of Trustees

¹ Michigan Compiled Laws Public Act 343 of 1984

² Board of Education, Island Trees Union Free School District No. 26 v. Pico, 457 U.S. 853

Rochester Hills Public Library Statement of Concern Regarding Library Resources

The Board of Trustees of Rochester Hills Public Library has authorized the use of this form as part of its *Reconsideration of Library Materials* policy. Completed forms should be returned to the library director. Incomplete forms will be sent back to the resident. ~~typically within three months.~~

Name: _____
_____ Date: _____

Address: _____
_____ Phone _____

Resident represents: ___Self___ Organization: _____

Title of Item: _____

Author/Composer, etc.: _____

Format (e.g., book, CD, DVD, eBook): _____

Have you already received a professional staff evaluation of this material? Yes
(Professional staff evaluation of the material precedes any appeal to the library board.)

Did you read, view or listen to the entire work? ___Yes___
(Residents must read, hear, or view, the entire work to have their appeal considered by the board.)

What specifically concerns you about this material? Note specific page number(s) or time stamp(s) on audiovisual items. _____

In its place, what work of equal literary quality would you recommend the library purchase that would cover the same subject or content?

Do you wish to have this form reviewed in private, closed session by the Board?

Yes, closed session No, I waive my right to library privacy for this matter

Signature of resident: _____

Capital Asset Policy

Policy Statement

The Rochester Hills Public Library (“Library”) has established a capital asset policy to provide accountability and safeguard capital assets owned by the library. Capital assets are those used in daily operations and have an estimated useful life of two or more years.

Regulations

1. The Board of Trustees confirms a monetary threshold for capitalizing assets in the Financial Guidelines to determine whether a given asset should be reported on the Library’s balance sheet.
2. The Library Director is responsible for the overall management of the capitalization procedures and ensures a strong internal controls environment.
3. Capital assets will be recorded at actual cost and include all ancillary costs, such as shipping, professional services that can be directly related to the asset.
4. In compliance with Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement 34 (GASB 34), the library’s material collection – the aggregate of all books, CDs, DVDs, and other materials with a useful life of more than two years – regardless of the original cost of individual items, will be considered a capital asset.
5. Donated or grant-contributed items are assigned values for accounting and asset management purposes. Donated items or contributed assets should be recorded at their fair market value on the date donated or acquired.
 - A. Items donated for the materials collection are handled differently than other assets. *(See MGT-5 Gifts and Donations Policy.)*
6. Estimation of useful life for capital assets is based on the Library’s past experience, industry standards, and warranty expirations. Useful life is defined for each asset class as follows:

Category	Useful Life
Land	Not Depreciated
Buildings and Improvements	30-40 years
Improvements Other Than Buildings	5-40 years
Appliances	12 years
Furniture, Fixtures	5-8 Years
Electronic/Other Equipment	3-10 years
Computer/Electronic/Small Equipment	3-5 years

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Vehicles	5-10 years
Materials Collections	4 years

7. For assets under construction, costs will be accumulation in a Construction in Progress account and will be reported as such on financial statements.
8. Capital assets will be assigned a property number and records will be maintained that include identifying information and location.
9. An inventory of capital assets will be conducted by the Library Accountant/HR Coordinator's department at least every other year as practical to fiscal year-end.
10. The Library will evaluate prominent events or changes in circumstances on an annual basis to determine whether an impairment of a capital asset has occurred. A capital asset generally should be considered impaired if both a) the decline in service utility of the asset is large in magnitude and b) the event or change in circumstance is outside the normal life cycle of the capital asset. If a library asset is determined to be impaired, the loss/gain, separate from any insurance recoveries, will be recorded and reported on the Library's financial statements as indicated by GASB 42 (Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement 42).
11. Capital assets shall not be transferred or decommissioned, disposed of, or destroyed without prior approval of the library director. Items with any remaining useful life will be transferred to the Friends of RHPL for public sale, offered for public sale as part of a library sale (separate from the Friends of RHPL), or offered as donated assets to other libraries and/or local organizations.
12. In the event that a capital asset is suspected stolen, staff members should notify the library director and file a police report.

Policy Statement

The Rochester Hills Public Library (“Library”) is committed to the highest standards of conduct and ethics. It is the responsibility of all trustees, officers and employees to report violations of the law or applicable rule or regulation or suspected violations in accordance with Michigan Whistle Blowers Policy Act (PA 469 of 1980). The Library will investigate suspected inappropriate use of Library resources by employees, trustees, or volunteers, communicate a reporting process, and provide safeguards against retaliation for the reporting entity.

Regulations

1. Fraudulent or dishonest use or misuse of Library resources or property with the intent of obtaining an unauthorized benefit is included, but not limited to the following:
 - a. Forgery or alteration of documents
 - b. Unauthorized alteration or manipulation of files
 - c. Fraudulent financial reporting
 - d. Misappropriation or misuse of resources, such as funds, supplies, or other assets
 - e. Authorizing or receiving compensation for goods not received or services not performed
 - f. Authorizing or receiving compensation for hours not worked
 - g. Theft at the Point of Sale
2. All Library staff, trustees, and volunteers are encouraged to report concerns about actual or potential fraudulent or dishonest use or misuse of Library resources or property to the Library Director or to a Board member. A person reporting a concern may request anonymity, but where a concern is reported anonymously, it must be in writing.
3. All reports will be followed up promptly and an investigation will be conducted.
4. Any person reporting, receiving, or knowing of a report shall take reasonable care to avoid baseless allegations, violations of a person’s legal rights or premature notice to others outside of the investigation of a person’s suspected misconduct. Any allegations which prove to have been made maliciously or where the employee knew or should have known that the information reported or provided is false or frivolous will be viewed as a serious disciplinary offense.

5. The Library Director shall communicate any actual or potential fraudulent or dishonest use or misuse of Library resources or property to the President of RHPL Board of Trustees, or to another Board member.
6. The Library, at its discretion, may work with an auditor, attorney, or other independent persons in reviewing and analyzing the report.
7. The Library Director or Board of Trustees shall document a summary of the receipt, retention, investigation, outcome of the initial report and any corrective action taken. The whistleblower entity will be updated as appropriate.
8. The Library shall use its best efforts to protect the reporting entity against retaliation. Whistleblowing reports shall be handled with sensitivity, discretion, and confidentiality to the extent allowed by circumstances and the law. Whistleblowers who believe that they have been retaliated against may file a written grievance with the Library Director or President of the RHPL Board of Trustees. The Library may take disciplinary action, up to and including termination of employment, against an employee who is found to have engaged in retaliatory conduct in violation of this policy.

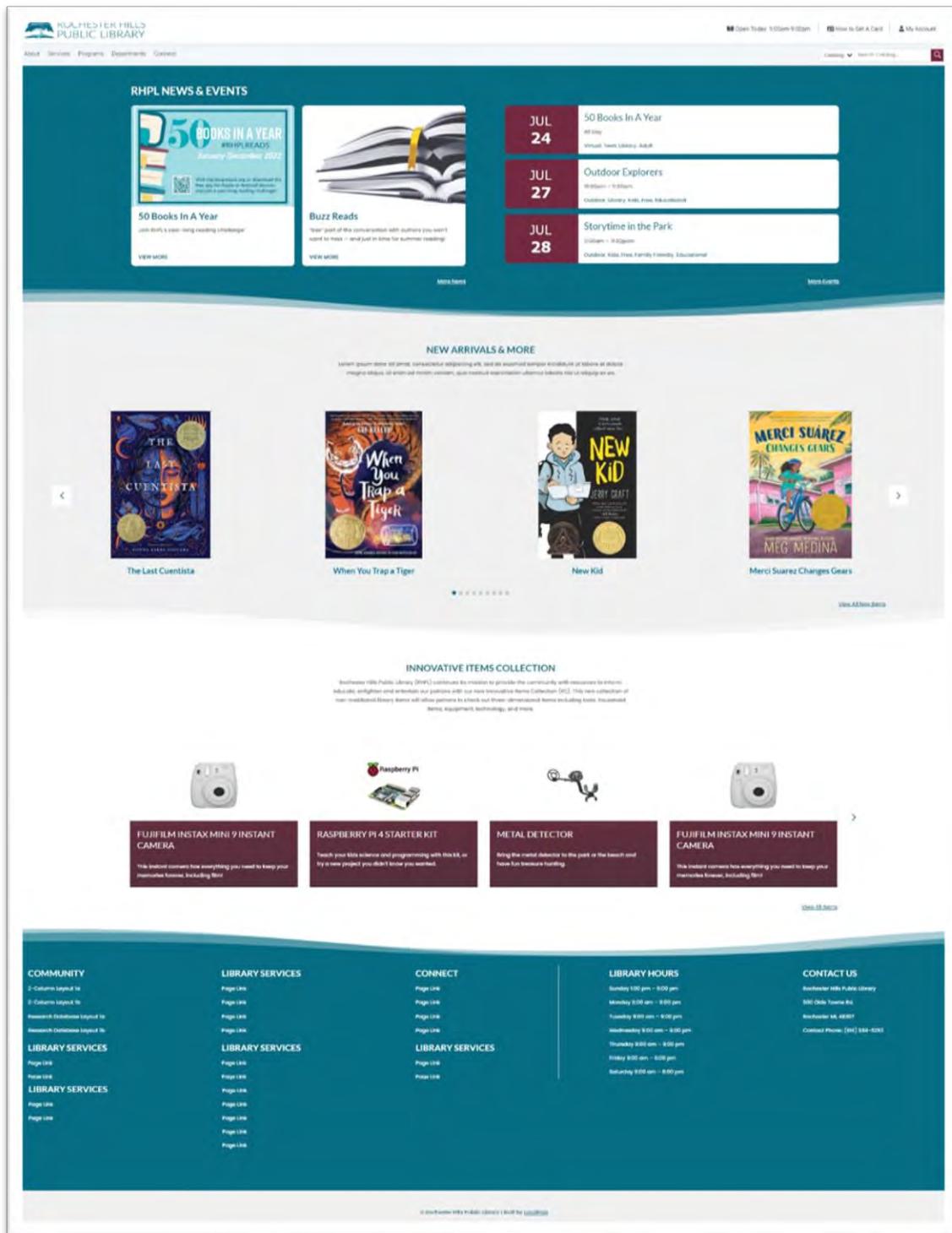
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Rochester Hills Public Library Board of Trustees

Other Business



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Home Page

News features are at the left and upcoming programs are listed on the right. More News will link to a news page that will look and feel like a blog. More Programs will link to the program calendar.

Below this is a carousel of new arrivals. This is an extremely popular topic for patrons visiting rhph.org.

Next is another carousel featuring Innovative Items.

The page ends with a footer containing links to the entire site.

The wave design on the teal blocks is a nod to Paint Creek.

Online Resources Page

Main navigation within a page is on the left featuring anchors to scroll to information on a single page. The right margin will feature action buttons (corners will be rounded) and website staples such as tech help, ask a librarian, and signups for new book list emails. All resources may be viewed on the page or patrons may select resources based on topic/category, which is also listed in the boxes under each heading. This is not yet RHPL's entire list of online resources. This page is a draft at the moment.

Some aspects of this page may change based on recent user testing.

Some things to consider:

The goal is to keep the website as simple and easy to use or navigate through as possible. Patrons currently use the website most for the catalog, hours, and location information.

PR suggests that all departments consider sending focused emails to patrons interested in receiving news and information about a specific department. Adult, Teen, Youth, Outreach, and the Eureka Lab will have the option to communicate with patrons through focused emails and social media posts. The Eureka Lab will be the first to use this option later this month.

RHPL's Monthly Current email and News & Views are the main ways patrons now receive information about the library. Social media is the third major communication piece for RHPL.

The white space on either margin will increase or decrease depending on the screen on which the website is viewed. All pages are tested for use on small cell phone screens to make sure lines don't break and words aren't pushed to the next line, etc.

This design has been heavily tested with patrons and their feedback has been evaluated to help modify original layouts. The web team anticipates testing to end next week and to finalize all page layouts. There are only four page layouts: the home page, the database/resource pages, department pages (not viewed here), and the news page. This keeps the site simple in design and streamlined for ease of use.