# NEWS & VIEWS 100

ROCHESTER HILLS PUBLIC LIBRARY | SUMMER 2024

## 100 DAYS OF SUMMER

*Celebrate what you love about summer*

## SHARE LIBRARY LOVE

*Participate in our sweepstakes*

## RHPL MILLAGE

*Details on the August ballot inside*

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## REGISTRATION & LIBRARY CARD INFORMATION

Many programs require registration with an active RHPL card unless otherwise noted. To apply for an RHPL card, visit rhpl.org/get-a-library-card.

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# *A LETTER FROM THE LIBRARY DIRECTOR*

Rochester Hills Public Library recently completed a survey of cardholders, and once again, residents have shown how much they love their library. Boasting a ninety-seven percent (97%) positive satisfaction rate with library operations and customer service, respondents provided helpful feedback on what is working now and what they would love to see in the future at their library. Our goal with these surveys is to be as responsive as possible, solve the right problems for contemporary society, and provide one of the best returns on your tax investment. Thank you for your support and endorsement of the positive effect of Rochester Hills Public Library.

In 1924, community founders pledged 1.0 mill in perpetuity to fund a high-quality library for the greater Rochester area. That millage rate has stayed the same throughout 100 years of operation – a remarkable feat for any publicly funded organization – but due to state law, tax rates can be rolled back, meaning the library currently operates with only .73 mills. As RHPL looks forward to its next century of service, it is apparent to the Board of Trustees that delivering a 21st-century library experience with a 20th-century millage is no longer sustainable. RHPL patrons deserve more.

Over the past year, the RHPL Board of Trustees has examined infrastructure needs, researched trends in contemporary libraries, and scrutinized existing cost-cutting measures. On April 9, 2024, the board adopted a resolution to propose an increase in the millage rate in Rochester Hills on the August 2024 ballot. They made similar requests of the Oakland Township Library Board and the City of Rochester since library service is shared among all three communities. You can find out more about the millage at rhpl.org/millage, and on page 7 of this issue.

Whatever the next century holds, RHPL will be here, working hard to offer outstanding services, programming, and assistance. We look forward to ushering in our next 100 years of service and hope you will vote on August 6, 2024.

Juliane Morian

FRIENDS of the Rochester Hills Public Library

## News from the Friends Library Store

Butterflies, birds, and bees are everywhere!

Explore an array of the latest fun and whimsical home décor at the Friends Library Store. Browse framed art, funky figurines, vases, and water pitchers. Brighten up your rooms with colorful toss pillows. Choose from botanical, artful, and humorous greeting cards, including a lovely selection from the Artists to Watch series, a collection of artwork from independent artists around the country.

While you're in, check out our new shipment of Pewabic Pottery. Help Michigan's historic Pewabic Pottery celebrate its 121st anniversary this year by adding a true Detroit original to your home. We have an array of tiles and some spectacular pieces, including the iconic Snowdrop, Celtic, and Step vases. But they go fast, so you'll need to stop in soon.

We know that many of our customers are more careful than ever about their spending. Double your money's reach by browsing the great values at the Friends Library Store and supporting the best library in Michigan. And remember, as a member of the Friends, you always receive 10% off most merchandise. See you soon!

## Save the Date!
## Friends of RHPL Holiday Home Tour

***Sunday, December 15, 12-5 p.m.***

Mark your calendars for our annual tour of festively decorated homes, shopping at the holiday boutique, and entry to the model train exhibit.

## Friends Summer Used Book Sale

***Thursday, July 18, 10 a.m.-8 p.m.***

***Friday, July 19, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.***

***Saturday, July 20, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.***

***Monday, July 22, 1:30-4:30 p.m. (Bag Day - all you can fit in a standard grocery bag goes for $5)***

The shelves are full of gently used books and DVDs for adults, teens, and children! Presale opportunities for Friends members will be Wednesday, July 17 from 5:30-8 p.m. New member sign-ups and renewals are available at the door. See rhpl.org/friends-of-rhpl for details. All proceeds benefit the library.


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# WHAT DO YOU REMEMBER MOST FROM YOUR CHILDHOOD SUMMER VACATIONS?

Was it the freedom? The ability to read whatever you wanted all day, non-stop? The joy that came with the prospect of 24 whole hours of doing nothing and everything, all at the same time? Whatever you relish about summer, RHPL is giving you 100 days to help you relive the good times. Whether you love the wide-open stretches of time or the jam-packed adventure, RHPL has plenty in store to help you feel like a kid again.

This issue is chock-full of details to help you have your best summer ever. Read on to find out more about our 100 Days of Summer Reading Challenge, Share Library Love Sweepstakes, community art and 100 Voices projects, opportunity to party from start to finish with RHPL.

So go ahead, slow down or speed up this summer, either way RHPL is here to help you enjoy every last moment. We can't wait to see you.

**100 Days of Summer**
**May 3 - August 10**

To celebrate RHPL's 100th anniversary, we're giving you 100 days of summer! Starting May 3, sign up from home at rhpl.beanstack.org to log your reading every week, participate in activities, and enter to win fabulous prizes.

**Throwback Summer Kickoff Party**

**Saturday, June 8, 12-2 p.m.**

Celebrate summer by taking a trip back in time! Enjoy vintage games, treats, entertainment, and surprise giveaways. Visit our non-profit fair to connect with local organizations that can help this summer and all year long.

# 100 DAYS OF SUMMER

Beginning May 3, use your existing Beanstack account to sign up for RHPL's 100 Days of Summer. New to summer reading? Follow the links on our website or go to rhpl.beanstack.org to sign up for a new account. Everything can be done online, no need to come in!

- Read every week between Friday, May 3-Saturday, August 10. Sign up after summer reading started? Go back and add all the reading you've done since May 3.
- For every reading badge earned, you get an entry into our end-of-summer reading grand prize drawing.
- Participate in our community activities for a chance to win even more prizes! Every activity badge earned ups your chances of winning our Share Library Love Sweepstakes.
- Record your reading on our website or in the app and get a free book at the end of summer, just for reading.

# SHARE LIBRARY LOVE

RHPL is pulling out all the stops for our 100th year, and we want you to share in the love. We'll be cruising neighborhoods throughout the summer on the lookout for homes with a proudly displayed Share Library Love sign. If your home is selected in our sweepstakes, you'll receive a prize for your household, and a bag of goodies to share with a neighbor of your choice. Why just keep up with the Joneses when you can share the love with them? Here's how to participate:

1. Sign up for summer reading from the comfort of your own home at rhpl.beanstack.org or on our easy-to-use Beanstack app.
2. Pick up your Share Library Love sign at the Adult, Outreach, or Youth reference desks and display it on your lawn or in your window. One sign per household, please.
3. Attach the included stickers every time you earn an activity badge in Beanstack. The more you earn, the more chances to win!
4. Keep the sign for future summers and collect limited edition stickers every time you sign up for summer reading.

**Summer Sunset Finale Party**
**Friday, August 9, 6-8 p.m.**
**West Parking Lot**

Join us for a good old-fashioned RHPL Block Party that will keep you out until the street lights come on.

**Save the Date**
**Summer Reading 2025**
**June - August**

Don't throw away your sign! Pack it away safely and bring it out again next summer to relive throwback summer joy and share library love.

# OUTREACH SERVICES

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

## *TECHNOLOGY SUPPORT*

### One-on-One Technology Assistance

***By appointment only***

Are you looking for assistance learning how to use your cellphone, tablet, or laptop? Bring your personal device on the day of your appointment. Registration is required at rhpl.org/tech-help.

### NoveList 101

***Tuesday, June 11, 2 p.m. Conference Room A***

Looking for more books to read during the summer? Learn how to use NoveList to search for your next favorite read based on titles and authors you already love. Registration is required.

### Hoopla 101

***Wednesday, July 10, 2 p.m. Conference Room A***

Learn how to use the Hoopla app to download and stream eBooks, eAudiobooks, magazines, music, and TV shows on your phone, tablet, or laptop. Please bring your device with you. Registration is required.

### Caregiver and Veterans Support Kits

***Outreach Department***

From the National Caregiving Foundation, these free kits are designed for care partners of people with dementia and veterans of the Gulf War and later.

### Books with BoB

***Tuesdays, June 4, July 2, August 6, 7:15 p.m.***
***Hampton Community Center***
***Wednesdays, June 12, July 10, August 14, 9:30 a.m.***
***Borden Park***
***Saturdays, June 15, July 20, August 24, 1:45 p.m.***
***Timberlea Village Apartments***

Meet BoB and one of our librarians for a storytime. Don't forget a blanket and snacks! Weather permitting; these events may canceled due to weather conditions. No registration required.

### Memory Cafe

***Thursdays, June 27, July 18, August 29, 2-3:30 p.m.***
***Multipurpose Room***

Memory Cafe is a welcoming place for people with memory challenges and their care partners to socialize in a safe and friendly environment. Please note that this is not a respite program. Registration is required.

## *BOOKS ON BOARD*

### Summer Schedule & Locations

Books on Board can bring the library to you. View the schedule to find a convenient stop to pick up your holds, return a book, or browse what's on board. We'll see you on the road!

Visit rhpl.org/bookmobiles or scan the QR code for times and locations.

# ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNERS

### ELL Book Club: *Gifts of Imperfection* by Brené Brown

***Thursdays, June 6-August 1, 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 relaxed and casual setting. Copies of the book will be available in the outreach department. Contact rebecca.lafave@rhpl.org with questions. Registration is required.

### Beginner ELL Book Club: *Same Sun Here* by Silas House & Neela Vaswani

***Wednesdays, June 5-July 31, 10-11:30 a.m.***
***Conference Room B***

Meet with Rebecca and other English language learners to read and discuss a book in a friendly setting. This group will read easier books—if you have tried the book club before and it was too hard, this group is for you. Copies of the book will be available at the first meeting. Contact rebecca.lafave@rhpl.org with questions. Registration is required.

### English Matters: ELL Conversation Group

***Tuesdays, June 4-July 23, 10-11:30 a.m.***
***Thursdays, June 6-July 25, 7-8:30 p.m.***
***Saturdays, June 8-July 27, 10-11:30 a.m.***
***Conference Room A***

Our conversation groups are a time to come together and discuss hometowns, food, hobbies, jobs, and other informal topics. Joining a group will introduce you to new friends and a great time! For further information, contact Mariano at 248-202-9352 or mariano.cadiz@rhpl.org. Registration is required.

# RHPL MILLAGE

A question on the August 6 ballot will ask residents to approve an additional .39 mills for library funding. These funds would not only allow us to continue to provide the services and programs you've become accustomed to, but they would also allow us to expand our offerings to bring you:

- An increased budget for new materials (over $1M annually) with a renewed focus on more eMaterials and shorter wait times for popular materials
- Sunday hours year-round (not just during the school year)
- Upgrades to the existing fleet of bookmobiles to serve individuals in our 70-square-mile service area and preschool students in local schools
- Exploration of future projects, like adding a cafe, as part of library renovations
- More storytimes and programming sessions
- A modernized Multipurpose Room with improved sound, lighting, and comfortable seating
- Investment in alternative delivery methods to get items to patrons faster such as same-day delivery of holds or books by mail
- Investments in infrastructure for an aging, 30-year-old building as well as improvements to make it fully ADA-compliant and environmentally sustainable

You can find out more about the millage at rhpl.org/millage. Sign up for a library tour this summer at calendar.rhpl.org to get answers to your questions in a casual, conversational setting and learn more about the behind-the-scenes life of the library.

# ADULT PROGRAMS

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

## COMMUNITY PARTNERS

### Behind the Scenes Tour

***Wednesday, June 5, 2 p.m.***
***Thursday, June 27, 10 a.m.***
***Tuesday, July 16, 2 p.m.***

Join library director Juliane Morian for a behind-the-scenes look at RHPL's inner workings. Registration is required.

### Pedal the Past

***Thursday, June 13, tours leave every 15 minutes starting at 6 p.m. and ending at 7:15 p.m.***
***West Entrance***

Enjoy a leisurely bike ride through Rochester's spectacular past. To honor Rochester Hills Public Library's 100th anniversary, our tour will stop at former library locations and local spots significant to the people who created one of the best libraries in the State of Michigan! Presented in partnership with Rochester Hills Museum at Van Hoosen Farm. Registration is required.

***Registration Details:***
Riders will select and register for one of six time slots at which their tour begins. The ride will be 1.5 hours long covering 2 miles with frequent stops. Riders are encouraged to wear a helmet and bring a water bottle.

### Red Cross Blood Drive

***Monday, July 15, 12-6 p.m. Multipurpose Room***

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

### Medicare 101

***Tuesday, August 20, 7 p.m. Multipurpose Room***

Medicare can be complicated—even confusing—with the multiple parts and choices it offers. Medicare 101 is designed to help you understand the basics: Know what to do, when to do it, and make smart choices. Presented in partnership with AgeWays (Area Agency on Aging 1-B). Registration is required.

## WRITING & BOOKS

### Scribes Writers Workshop

***Wednesdays, June 12, 26, July 10, 24, August 14, 28, 1-4 p.m. Conference Room B***

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

### Adult Graphic Novel Book Discussion

***Monday, August 12, 7 p.m. Conference Room A***

Do you like reading graphic novels and True Crime? Join us for a lively discussion of *The Murder Book: A Graphic Memoir of a True Crime Obsession* by Hilary Fitzgerald Campbell. Copies are also available through Hoopla and MeL.org. Registration is required.

## BOOK CLUBS

### Books on Tap

***Monday, July 8, 7 p.m. Main Street Billiards, VIP Room***

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

**July 8:** *Butts: A Backstory* by Heather Radke

# HISTORY, ART & CULTURE

## Smart Towns: D-Day Revisited: 80 Years Later

*Thursday, June 6, 7 p.m. Multipurpose Room*

A comprehensive accounting of the events and decisions leading up to D-Day (June 6, 1944), the aftermath, and the stories of the people who were there. Registration is required.

## Drop-In Genealogy Help

*Saturdays, June 8, July 13, August 10, 2 p.m.*
*Conference Room B or Virtual*

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

## Civility Project Workshop

*Thursday, June 20, 7 p.m. Multipurpose Room*

The Civility Project—created by celebrated journalists Nolan Finley and Stephen Henderson—seeks to bring people of opposing viewpoints together for healthy disagreement, personal interactions, and constructive conversations. Participants become familiar with the pillars of civility, have a chance to engage in enlightening discussions, and learn why listening is important. Registration is required.

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## Try-It-Out Tuesdays

*Tuesdays, July 2-30, 1-3 p.m. Lobby*

Try out before you check out! Our unique Innovative Items Collection will be available for test drive in the lobby. Try out items like an Otamatone or cordless drill before you take them home. No registration required.

## The American Guide Series

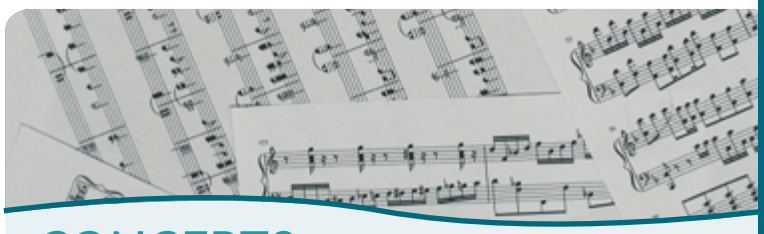
*Tuesday, July 9, 7 p.m. Multipurpose Room*

The WPA's Writer's Project worked to produce a snapshot of American life that remains the most comprehensive look at American society ever produced. Learn the history of the Writer's Project and the work that went into creating the books in 1930s America. Registration is required.

## Midnight: Detroit and the Underground Railroad

*Thursday, July 11, 7 p.m. Multipurpose Room*

Codenamed Midnight, Detroit was a vital station on the Underground Railroad, helping thousands cross the river to freedom in Canada from Detroit. Detroit abolitionists helped freedom seekers from the South evade slave catchers and local law enforcement in the face of severe local opposition. Presented by the Detroit Historical Society. Registration is required.



# CONCERTS

*Registration is required. Bring a lawn chair or a blanket.*
*6 p.m. West Lawn*
*(Rain location: Multipurpose Room)*

## The Royal Oak Blues Band

*Tuesday, June 25*

The Royal Oak Blues Band returns to the Rochester Hills Public Library with some cool vintage blues tunes!

## Soundz of Music Band

*Wednesday, July 24*

Listen and dance to a variety of songs including standards, polkas, Latin, 50&60 oldies, country, and Broadway tunes.

## Tumbao Bravo - The Rhythms of Cuba

*Tuesday, August 27*

Winner of 3 Detroit Music Awards, this exciting Latin Jazz combo will perform the authentic rhythms of Cuba (Mambo, Cha Cha, Rumba, and Bolero) with rich, original jazz harmonic compositions.

# POP CULTURE & GAMES

### Know-It-All Trivia Smackdown!

***Mondays, June 10, August 12, 7 p.m.***
***Main Street Billiards, solarium area***

Meet up with us at Main Street Billiards (215 S. Main St) with your team of up to 6 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. Registration is required.

***June 10:*** Throwback Trivia
***August 12:*** Disney Name That Tune

### Speed Friending Event

***Thursday, June 13, 6-8 p.m. Multipurpose Room***

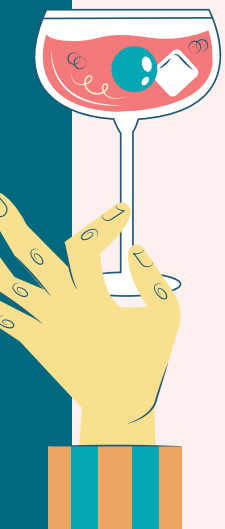
Engage in guided one-on-one conversations followed by opportunities to socialize, make friends, and create crafts. Enrich your social network and forge new friendships! Adults only. Registration is required.

### Nerf at Night

***Friday, June 21, 6:30 p.m. Ages 18 and up.***

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

# Royal Park and RHPL Summer Partnership



Enjoy a cocktail at the Royal Park this summer and savor each sip knowing you're giving back! In honor of our 100 Days of Summer, the Royal Park is featuring literary-themed cocktails on their menu.

$1 from every purchase will be donated to Rochester Hills Public Library to expand and enhance our early literacy storytime sessions.

Cheers!

# COMMUNITY ART PROJECT

***May-August. All ages***

Decorate a mini-Stretch or tell us about an important year in your life and we'll add it to our community timeline. Pick up your supplies and drop off your creations at the circulation desk in the lobby. Check in throughout the summer to see significant dates for your neighbors and for the library.

## DID YOU KNOW?

Stretch was originally built in 1972 by West Middle School Students Mark Bozynski, Jeff Hauser, and Mike Neumann.

Since then, Stretch has been rehabilitated twice to make sure he ages with grace.

# CRAFTS

### Pride Crafts for Adults

***Saturday, June 15, 1 p.m. Conference Room A***

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

### Open Fiber Crafting

***Wednesdays, July 24, August 28, 6 p.m.***
***Conference Room A***

Bring your fiber craft project to the library and work in a laid-back environment with casual discussion. A small amount of supplies will be available for those with no project. Separate registration is required for each date.

# the Makerspace
at Rochester Hills Public Library

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## Graduation Cardstock Crafts
***Wednesday, June 12, 6 p.m. Ages 8 and up. Makerspace***
Create customized cards for graduation using our Cricut smart cutter. Registration is required.

## Rainbow Diamond Coasters
***Wednesday, June 26, 6 p.m. Ages 8 and up. Makerspace***
Make coasters using a relaxing process called diamond painting. (Think paint by numbers, but with colored rhinestones.) Registration is required.

## Sublimation Towel
***Wednesday, July 10, 6 p.m. Ages 8 and up. Makerspace***
Create customized hand towels using sublimation printing. Registration is required.

## Adults Only Paper Stitching String Art
***Wednesday, July 17, 6 p.m. Adults only. Makerspace***
Create art using only string and holes in cardstock. Registration is required.

## Paper Airplane Contest
***Wednesday, August 7, 6 p.m. Ages 8 and up. Makerspace***
Join us for a paper airplane creation contest. We will watch a brief video on strategy and then put our paper airplanes to the test. Registration is required.

# 100 Stories Project with RHPL's Story Exchange

Help RHPL commemorate its 100th anniversary by adding your thoughts to our Story Exchange. Pick up the phone in our lobby or call 248-650-0400 from home and respond to the prompts listed or share a library story. Your message will be archived and become a part of RHPL history.

Strong and silent type? Check out or place a hold on one of our Centennial Journals to leave your thoughts in writing.

- What would you want to tell someone from 1924 about the library today?
- What do you think the library will look like 100 years from now?
- Tell us about your favorite library memory or interaction.

# TEEN PROGRAMS

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## *REGULAR TEEN PROGRAMS*

***Wednesdays, 7-8:30 p.m. Email teen@rhpl.org for more information. No registration required.***

### Video Game Evening

June 5, July 3, August 7. Multipurpose Room/ Conference Room A

### Teen Advisory Board (TAB)

June 12, July 10, August 14. Conference Room A

### RHPL Players Guild (RPG)

June 26, July 24, August 28. Conference Room A

### Stage Fighting with Shakespeare in Detroit

***Visit calendar.rhpl.org for details.***

Come learn how to stage a fight for your next theatrical performance. Make it look like the real thing! Registration is required.

### Nerf at Nite

***Friday, August 16, 6:45-9 p.m. Ages 13 and up.***

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

### Street Art and Art Communities

***Wednesdays, July 24, August 7, 21. Ages 13-18. Visit calendar.rhpl.org for details.***

In this course, students will learn how to ethically engage with art communities of all types! Collect stickers, trade pins, make zines, and gain an appreciation for graffiti culture while learning about what it means to engage with other artists in your community. This program is a collaboration between the Rochester Hills Public Library and Paint Creek Center for the Arts and will be taking place at both facilities. For more information and to register please go to: pccart.org

## INNOVATIVE ITEMS COLLECTION

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The Innovative Items Collection (IIC) is filled with equipment and electronics from multiple categories (Adaptability, Arts and Crafts, Experiences, Games-Outdoor, Household, Music, Science & Education, Technology, and Tools), all available for free with your RHPL library card. These items are the perfect solution for patrons who want to try new and emerging technology or only need items temporarily and don't wish to invest in tools and equipment for one project or party.

Try some of the items listed below during our Try-It-Out Tuesdays this summer, or check out an item to test it at home.

Fujifilm Instax Mini Instant Camera

Adaptive Xbox Controller

Youtube Videoing Kit

Dungeons & Dragons Starter Kit

# YOUTH SERVICES

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## Outdoor Explorers

***Tuesdays, June 4-July 30, 10 a.m. Ages 3-6. Rotary Park***

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

## Father's Day Take & Make

***Wednesday, June 5-June 12, all day. Ages 4-12. Youth Room***

Create the perfect rocket ship for your dad. Pick up your kit at the Youth Services Desk. Registration is required.

## Shake the 'Chute

***Monday, June 10, 6 p.m. All Ages. West Lawn***

Enjoy an evening playing parachute games with RHPL's giant 'chute! In between games we'll read a few fun books. Registration is required.

## Storytime in the Park

***June 10, 18, 26, July 1, 9, 17, 25, 29, August 6, 11 a.m. All ages. Rochester Lions Park***

Join your favorite youth librarians for a fun storytime in the park. Head south from the library on the Rochester River Walk, cross University, and meet us at Rochester Lions Park between the Royal Park Hotel and Sunrise Senior Living, or find parking off of Water and 4th Street. Call 248-650-7140 for assistance with directions. No registration required.

## Styrofoam Printmaking

***Tuesday, June 11, 2 p.m. Ages 8-12. Multipurpose Room***

Join Ms. Kim in learning how to use a Styrofoam plate as a reusable printing plate. Registration is required.

## Throwback Family Film Series

***June 12, 17, 24, July 2, 8, 19, 24, August 7, 2 p.m. All ages. Multipurpose Room***

Take a trip down memory lane and watch family-friendly movies from past decades. Snacks and drinks provided. No registration required.

## PAWS for Reading

***Wednesdays, June 12, 26, July 10, 24, August 14, 28, 6:30 p.m. Ages 4 and up. Youth Room***

Practice your reading with a therapy dog. Registration is required.

## Teddy Bear Picnic

***Thursday, June 13, 12 p.m. Ages 2 and up. West Lawn***

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

## How to Catch a Mermaid

***Friday, June 14, 11 a.m. Ages 5-9. Multipurpose Room***

Make your own mermaid trap and listen to the story *How to Catch a Mermaid* for some tips. Registration is required.

## Barbie™ Party!

*Saturday, June 15, 11 a.m. Ages 4-12. Multipurpose Room*

Create some Barbie™ crafts and Bring your Barbie™ with you to be part of the Barbie™ Fashion Show. Enjoy a pink treat and meet other fans. Registration is required.

## LEGO™ Club

*Tuesdays, June 18, July 16, August 13, 6 p.m. Ages 4-12. Multipurpose Room*

Calling all builders! The Library will provide all the LEGO™ for this free build program. Separate registration is required for each date.

## Picnic & Pages

*Thursdays, June 27, July 25, August 29, 6 p.m. Grades 4-6. West Lawn*

Bring your blanket (we'll bring the pizza). Select a book at the first meeting, discuss the book at the second, and watch a movie based on the book at the third. Registration is required.

## Mom's Walking Club

*Thursdays, July 11-August 8, 10 a.m. Ages 0-3. West Entrance*

A fun and active way to meet other caregivers in the community while learning about your child's development. Walks will be approximately one mile and end with a brief storytime at Rochester Municipal Park. Registration is required.

## Baby Prom

*Saturday, July 13, 10:30 a.m. Ages 0-2. Multipurpose Room*

Get ready to boogie down at our fantastic baby bash! Dressing up is encouraged, but not required. Siblings are welcome, but activities are limited to registered patrons ages 0-2. Registration is required.

# SUMMER FAMILY CONCERT SERIES

*Registration is required. Bring a lawn chair or a blanket. 6 p.m. West Lawn (Rain location: Multipurpose Room)*

## Jim Gill

*Thursday, June 27*

Get ready to sing, clap, dance, and spin along during this visit by award-winning musician and author Jim Gill.

## Beverly Meyer, The Music Lady

*Wednesday, July 17*

With her guitar in hand, Beverly charms all with her energy, compelling voice, and quick wit.

## Leonardo Music

*Thursday, August 22*

Bring your dancing shoes and best air guitar moves, it's time to rock 'n' read with Parents' Choice Award-winning family musician Leonardo.

## Summer Camp at the Library

*Monday, July 22, 1:30 p.m. Ages 6-12. West Lawn*

Join us on the lawn for classic summer camp activities, crafts, and s'mores! Registration is required.

## Ocean in a Bottle

*Tuesday, July 23, 5 p.m. Ages 7-12. Multipurpose Room*

It's summertime! Come make your own ocean in a bottle. Registration is required.

## Pop Bottle Rockets!

*Saturday, July 27, 11 a.m. Ages 6-12. West Lawn*

What do you get when you put baking soda and vinegar into an old pop bottle? KABOOM!! All participants must be at least 6 years of age or older, have a guardian attending, and be able to wear safety glasses. Registration is required.

### Fairy Homes
*Tuesday, August 6, 5 p.m. Ages 5-12. Multipurpose Room*
Create a cozy little home for the fairies who like to roam. Registration is required.

### *Dog Man* Party
*Thursday, August 8, 2:30 p.m. Ages 7-11. Multipurpose Room*
Calling all *Dog Man* fans! Join us for crafts and activities and compete in our costume contest. Registration is required.

### Kids' Mario Kart™ Tournament
*Monday, August 12, 6 p.m. Ages 6-12. Multipurpose Room*
Calling all Mario Kart™ 8 Deluxe enthusiasts! Come test your driving prowess in an epic bracket tournament. Switch controllers will be provided but you may also bring your own. Registration is required.

### Parent Tween Craft Night
*Monday, August 19, 6 p.m. Grades 4-6. Multipurpose Room*
Tweens and their parents are invited to join us for a special craft night at the library! Enjoy quality time together while creating some beautiful crafts and memories. Registration is required.

**Throwback Summer Kickoff Party**
**Saturday, June 8, 12-2 p.m.**
Celebrate summer by taking a trip back in time! Enjoy vintage games, treats, entertainment, and surprise giveaways. Visit our non-profit fair to connect with local organizations that can help this summer and all year long.

**100 Days of Summer**
**May 3 - August 10**
To celebrate RHPL's 100th anniversary, we're giving you 100 days of summer! Starting May 3, sign up from home at rhpl.beanstack.org to log your reading every week, participate in activities, and enter to win fabulous prizes.

**Summer Sunset Finale Party**
**Friday, August 9, 6-8 p.m.**
**West Parking Lot**
Join us for a good old-fashioned RHPL Block Party that will keep you out until the street lights come on.

# Pardon Our Dust!
## Youth room updates

The Youth Services Department will look a little different this summer as we bring exciting changes to the storyroom. Toys, computers, and select collections will be temporarily relocated based on frequency of use. While most of what you love will still be easily accessible, some materials from our Parent/Teacher collection may require additional help. Don't see what you need? Ask a friendly librarian for help.

RHPL wishes to thank the City of Rochester Hills for awarding us a generous ARPA Grant. Without these funds, we could not make these improvements to reach more families with crucial early literacy resources and ensure that raising readers remains a top priority in our community.

The City of Rochester Hills awarded a total of $300,000 in grants to be distributed among 17 local non-profit organizations that focus on food assistance, housing, mental health, and education. Visit the Rochester Hills city website for more about the grant recipients.

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**Friday—Saturday.....9 a.m.-6 p.m.**

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