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SUMMER READING FOR ALL AGES BEGINS JUNE 18

Saturday, June 18, at 10 am, the 2016 Summer Reading Program will kick off with festivities on the library lawn. The Bowers School Farm will bring pet-able farm animals from 11am - 3pm. OUR Credit Union, which sponsors Summer Reading Opening Day, provides popcorn and crafts, along with a chance to meet Oakey Dokey! Live Music provided by The Detroit School of Rock and Pop. Register for summer reading from 10am – 6pm.

This year, summer reading will include a variety of programs focusing on this year's fitness theme, that are available free of charge, including Yoga and Tai Chi! Tuesday evening Family Programs are also scheduled, featuring a wide variety of topics including magic, pirates, science, night creatures and music.



Summer Reading is for all ages! The themes this year are: On Your Mark, Get Set, Read for babies through elementary school ages; Get In The Game: Read for middle and high school ages; Exercise Your Mind - Read for adults. Everyone is invited to attend a variety of free events during the eight week program.



The summer reading program ends with the Summer Readers' Fair on Friday, August 5th from 10:30am-12:30pm, featuring train rides, games, and inflatables. The programs and activities are funded by the Friends of Royal Oak Public Library. The incentive books that each youth participant receives are funded by the Kiwanis Club of Royal Oak and the Friends of the Royal Oak Public Library.

Volunteer opportunities, especially at Opening Day, Summer Readers' Fair, and during the free book distribution from August 1 - August 13, are available.



ONE-DAY PAPERBACK BOOK SALE

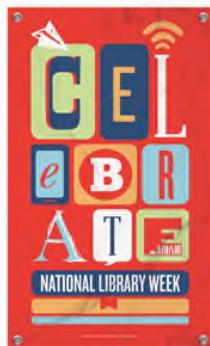
The *Friends* are kicking off Summer Reading with a paperback book sale **Saturday, June 18 from 10 am - 5 pm** in the Friends Auditorium and the Friends Shop. Choose from a wide selection of paperback mystery, romance, science fiction and more. All regular price paperbacks will be on sale for **50¢ each**. Books for children and teens will also be available. **Friends' members with dues current receive \$2 off a \$10 purchase** at the June 18 sale, valid for one use. **Not a member or membership expired? Join or renew June 18!** Come early to be sure you find your favorite authors!

Interested in **volunteering** for set-up on Friday afternoon or cashiering on Saturday? Contact Roxanne at friends@ropl.org or 248-435-2011 for more information.

Friends Annual Book Sale

The Friends Annual Sale, held the first weekend in March, was very successful! Between book sales, Friends shop sales, and renewed Friends memberships, **almost \$4,400 was raised**. These funds go directly to support the library. Many thanks go out to the many book sale volunteers, customers, and community members who donate their books to the library. All are essential components to the success of the annual book sale. As in previous years, we want to express our appreciation to Hollywood Market for providing the bags for our Saturday sale. If you missed the book sale, don't forget that **the Friends Shop inside the library is open four days a week (Mon, Wed, Thurs, and Sat)** with a frequently updated selection of gently used books, DVDs, and more for sale at very gentle prices. If you are interested in helping with **the book sale committee for next year, please contact the Friends at friends@ropl.org** or leave a message at the library circulation desk. Preparation starts in late November.





The Friends Celebrate National Library Week 2016

From April 10-16 the Friends celebrated National library week. The 2016 theme was **“Libraries Transform.”** Once again the community showed their appreciation for our library workers and provided food all week! The Friends’ provided a fruit tray, vegetable tray and cookies. Thank you to all the local businesses that contributed: Ray’s Ice Cream, Noodles and Company, 2nd Street Sub Shop, Chicken Shack of Clawson, and Bruegger’s Bagels. Your contributions were greatly appreciated and well received, **the library staff felt truly pampered!** Special thanks to Friends’ board member Lyndsay Sloan who yet again made all the events for National Library week an incredible (and tasty) success!



ANNUAL MEETING

Please join us **Monday evening, September 19, 2016** in the Friends Auditorium for the Friends Annual Meeting!



NEW PATRON AND LIFETIME MEMBERS

Thank you and welcome!
Christine Earl
Stacie Woodward

Adult Coloring

Check out our new coloring programs for adults! We will supply all of the materials for this series: sheets from great new adult coloring books, pencils, and crayons, or you can bring your own. For ages 18 and over. Register at ropl.org or 248-246-3727.

Keep on Coloring: Thursdays, 6:30 - 8:00 pm; June 9, July 7

Morning Coloring Club: Wednesdays, 10:30 am – noon; June 1, July 6



ROPL THIRD THURSDAY BOOK DISCUSSIONS

Join us the **third Thursday of each month at 7:00 pm** in Meeting Rooms C-D at the library. A copy of the book is provided prior to each meeting. For more information, contact Rosemary Mirsky at 248-246-3715 or rosemary@ropl.org.

June 16, 2016 - So Big by Edna Ferber; this Pulitzer Prize novel is about the life of a gambler’s spirited daughter who decides to be a teacher in impoverished, patriarchal Dutch farm country. After her husband dies, she runs the farm, overcoming substantial challenges as she works hard securing a life for their son. Along the way, the mother and son wrestle with questions about how to live a worthwhile life.

July 21, 2016 - Dakota: A Spiritual Geography by Kathleen Norris; Norris, transports readers to the Great Plains, examining her heritage, language, spirituality, and the land itself, raising the contradictions of small-town life on the Plains.



JUNE OUTDOOR CONCERTS AT ROPL

Please bring your own lawn chair or blanket. Perfect for the entire family!

In case of inclement weather: June 15 - Farmers Market, June 22 & 29 – Friends’ Auditorium

Don't forget to visit the Friends of ROPL table to purchase refreshments, gently used books, or City of Royal Oak t-shirts, book bags, and hats. All proceeds support the library.

Royal Oak Concert Band, Wednesday June 15 at 7:00 pm - An entertaining program of light classics, songs from stage and screen, and a bit of Americana. The concert will feature a set by **The Woodward Avenue Jazz Orchestra**, who will perform an array of jazz favorites.

Matthew Ball aka The Boogie Woogie Kid, Wednesday June 22 at 7:00 pm - A family friendly program of piano fun from the 20s, 30s, and 40s with arrangements of classic American songs!

Rich Eddy's Rockin' Oldies Band, Wednesday June 29 at 7:00 pm - A polished, high-energy act that pays rocking homage to the best music of the 1950s and 1960s with modern day technology. The musical duo combines their award-winning vocals with multiple instruments for a memorable all ages performance.

Friends Shop News

The Friends Shop will be open regular hours throughout the summer. Watch for postings in the library and on our Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/FriendsROPLibrary>) for sales. Now that we are experiencing some T-shirt weather, don't forget to strut your **Royal Oak pride with a Royal Oak logo t-shirt!** They are for sale at the Friends Shop for \$10, baseball style hats for \$15 and lapel pins for \$5. We now have **Royal Oak logo tote bags** for \$4 each or 3 for \$10!



Special Shop Events

Library Events

Weather permitting, look for an outdoor table with books and **Royal Oak City logo merchandise** at both the opening and closing of Summer Reading, Saturday, June 18 and Friday, August 5 respectively. On Wednesday June, 15, 22 and 29, we will have a table outdoors (weather permitting) where we will **sell books, city logo merchandise, and butterfly friendly plants during library sponsored concerts.**

Royal Oak Clay Glass and Metal Show

June 11-12, the Friends are sponsoring a booth at the Royal Oak Clay, Glass, and Metal Show (6th & Washington, near the Chamber booth). Children will be able to make their own small mosaics to take home. The Friends will have **city logo merchandise for sale.**

City Wide Block Sale

Tuesday June 7, 6-8pm, we will have a cart of books for sale and city logo merchandise.

Volunteers Needed

We are **ALWAYS** looking for volunteers to work a 2½- hour shift in the shop, help process incoming donated books, or sort and shelve in the storeroom. We plan to add a shift in the shop starting in September, so are especially looking for volunteers interested in a 10 am - 12:30 pm shift.

Interested in volunteering for the shop or for the summer events? Please contact Roxanne at friends@ropl.org or 248-435-2011.



DONATIONS ACCEPTED at the ROYAL OAK PUBLIC LIBRARY

- **BOOKS** -gently used adult and children's, paperback or hardcover, fiction or non-fiction (Exceptions: travel guides, textbooks, and technology/computer books over 3 years old)
- **MAGAZINES** - no older than 6 months
- **GAMES AND PUZZLES** - all pieces (and instructions for games)
- **VHS tapes** (Please rewind) NO HOMEMADE TAPES
- **CDs and DVDs** - no scratches please

PLEASE: No damaged or moldy books!



Butterfly Garden: Call for Volunteers

The Royal Oak Public Library Butterfly Garden needs volunteers to help maintain the garden. Please contact Mary Ann DeKane at 248-246-3714 or maryann@ropl.org

Garden Maintenance, Wednesdays, 4:00 - 6:00 pm:

May 25; June 8 and 22; July 13 and 27; August 10 and 24; September 28; October 12

Fall Planting

Wednesday, September 7, 4:00 - 6:00 pm

Fall Cleanup

Saturday, October 22, 11:00 am - 2:00 pm



Saline Fiddlers Philharmonic

Tuesday, July 26 at 7:00 PM in the Friends Auditorium

America's premier youth fiddling show band! The musicians, all students from Saline High School, present an energetic and polished show that features a diverse range of music from American folk, fiddle, bluegrass, jazz, western swing, and Celtic traditions. Spirited vocals and Appalachian step dancing combine with the fiddle music to create an unforgettable live performance.

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Donations Needed for Clay, Glass & Metal Show Children's Mosaics!

- Small Plastic Containers, 3 inches or more
- Buttons, beads, and other small craft items

Please leave donations on the book donation cart in the library by Wednesday, June 8th.

Please check the date on the address label of this newsletter. If it says 5/16 or earlier, your membership has expired!

Friends of the Royal Oak Public Library
Membership Form

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

Email Address _____

Life \$200 Single \$10 annual
 Patron \$100 annual Family \$20 annual
 Business/Organization \$50 annual

Yes, I've included a one-time donation of \$_____

Yes, I want to be an active member. Please contact me.

Drop this form and your payment off at the ROPL Circulation Desk, or mail it to:
Friends of the Royal Oak Public Library, 222 East 11 Mile Road, Royal Oak, MI 48067

Nominate an EXCEPTIONAL Friends for the Joyce Ann Maeirle Award!

To be considered for 2016, nominations must be received by June 1, 2016. Nomination form available at <http://ropl.org/document-downloads/category/13-friends-of-ropl> Return completed form to the ROPL Circulation Desk, email to friends@ropl.org, or mail to address above.