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Annual Survey
The library is looking for your input in our annual survey. Please take time to provide feedback on our hours, services, collections, and programs so we can ensure we are adequately serving your needs. The survey will be open through September 30th. Visit our website to fill out the survey online or pick-up a paper copy at the library.

Give Blood, Give Life
Come donate blood on Friday, September 20 from 11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. at Redford Township District Library. Attempt to donate for a $10 eGift card and a chance to win 18 holes with a cart from Glenhurst Golf Course. The blood drive will be administered by Versiti, a supplier of blood to local hospitals. Register at the adult reference desk, or online at www.versiti.org.

New Website Launched
Come visit us online and checkout our new look. Our website is now mobile friendly so you can easily access the library on the go. Quick access to digital services, the library catalog and more. Just go to rtdl.org to get started.

SEPTEMBER-DECEMBER 2019
Look inside for FREE events!
All events are FREE.

Otaku!
Saturdays, September 7, October 12, November 2 & December 7. 2:00 p.m. Try Japanese snacks, games, and watch anime at this recurring club for teens. Different crafts every session with anime and manga discussion. Anime cosplay contest with prizes on October 12.

SAT Practice Test
Saturdays, September 7, October 12, November 2 & December 7. 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Take real practice versions of either the English/Grammar or Mathematics portions of the SAT. Each portion is about 1.5 hours. We will take a break partway through in which we will go over the rules and restrictions. Your answers will be emailed to you. You must register for each session separately.

Teen Movie
Happy Death Day (PG13)
Tuesday, October 22, 4:00-6:00 p.m. Ages 13-17. A college student relives the day of her murder with both its unexceptional details and terrifying end until she discovers her killer’s identity. Snack included.

Fortnite and Roblox Party
Tuesday, November 19, 3:00-5:00 p.m. Ages 12-17. Yeet over to the library and use our laptop lab to log on and play some sweet online games while ignoring each other in person! You are welcome to bring your own device. Pizza break midway.

Teen Advisory Board (TAB)
Wednesday, December 18, 7:00-8:00 p.m. All high school age teens are welcome to help plan teen events and discuss our library resources. Tell us what you want and earn volunteer hours.

Teen Pathfinder RPG
Saturday, December 28, 1:00-3:00 p.m. Ages 12-17. Find out why role-playing games like Dungeons & Dragons and Pathfinder have retained popularity over the decades with this introductory adventure! There will be resources for finding others to play with as well as local places to purchase materials and free apps/internet resources. A multi-session campaign will begin after the New Year. This program is limited to teenagers.

Prism
Wednesday, September 4 October 9, November 6 & December 4, 3:30-5:00 p.m. A safe gathering space for LGBTQ+ teens and allies. Enjoy a fun activity while giving and getting support from others. Relax, socialize, and make new friends.
That’s What It’s All About: Life Lessons from the Hokey Pokey
Monday, September 23 at 7:00 p.m.
Author Robert Allen Young will share strategies for overcoming fear, healing relationships, facing obstacles and more — all based on the Hokey Pokey song! Signed copies of his book will be available for purchase after the presentation.

Haunted Michigan
Join Jon Milan and Gail Offen, authors of Michigan Haunts: Public Places, Eerie Spaces, as they take us on a road trip to “the other side”, exploring countless hauntings, ghost towns and bizarre tales of murder and mayhem, drawing from more than 300 years of Michigan’s modern history. They’ll explore haunted theaters, antiques stores and even roads all across Michigan’s dark peninsulas. Be prepared to add your own accounts and tales as well.
Wednesday, October 16 at 7:00 p.m.

The ABC’s of DNA
Monday, October 21 at 6:00 p.m.
What can DNA testing tell you? What tests should you take? What does it all mean? DNA testing can be a powerful tool to wield in your genealogy toolkit. Researcher Jessica Trotter will offer a beginner’s overview on tests, testing companies, and how you can use your results.

Movie Night
Join us for monthly Wednesday movies at 6:00 p.m. The movie is free, and you get free popcorn! Call for titles.
September 25, October 30, No movie in November, December 4.

Free Tech Help is Here!
Do you need help with a task on your smartphone, tablet or laptop? Tech Help is available to answer your questions about apps, email, downloads and using the Internet. Bring your device.
Call for an appointment.

Adult Craft
Join us for a monthly craft project. Register early – space is limited
OMBRE PINE CONES
Monday, September 9, 6:00 p.m. or Tuesday, September 10, 10:30 a.m.
WINE CORK PUMPKINS
Monday, October 7, 6:00 p.m. or Tuesday, October 8, 10:30 a.m.
SNOWMAN PAINTING ON CANVAS
Monday, November 4, 6:00 p.m. or Tuesday, November 5, 10:30 a.m.
3D PAPER ORNAMENTS
Monday, December 2, 6:00 p.m. or Tuesday, December 3, 10:30 a.m.

Knit & Crochet
This is a social group of knitters and crocheters that usually meets twice a month to share their love of needle arts. There is NO INSTRUCTOR. Meetings are on the following Saturdays from 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. in the second floor Lounge:
September 14 & 28, October 12 & 26
November 9 & 23, December 14 & 28

Register online at rtdl.org, in person, call 313.531.5960 or use the LocalHop app.
Book Groups
Registration required unless otherwise indicated.

123 Book Group
For children in grades 1-3 who LOVE to read and would like to share stories, crafts, and fun! 123 Book Group meets once a month September through April on the following Mondays from 6:30-7:30 p.m.: September 30, October 28, and November 25.

Redford Readers
Family Book Group
For parents and kids in grades 4-7. Families can read or listen to the book together and meet to discuss the book with other families. Meets from 7-8:00 p.m. Space is limited.

- Wednesday, September 11: Discussion of our summer reads
- Thursday, October 17: Fortunately, the Milk by Neil Gaiman
- Thursday, November 7: Stuart Little by E. B. White
- Thursday, December 12: Where the Mountain Meets the Moon by Grace Lin

Graphic Novel Squad
Mondays, September 9, October 7, November 4, 6:30-7:30 p.m. Grades 4-6. Whether you’ve never read a graphic novel before or only read graphic novels, this book club is for you!

- September 11: Next Year in Havana by Chanel Cleeton
- October 9: The Great Michigan Read: What the Eyes Don’t See by Dr. Mona Hanna-Attisha
- November 13: Left: A Love Story by Mary Hogan
- December 11: Eleanor Oliphant is Completely Fine by Gail Honeyman

Redford Recreational Readers
Adult Book Discussion Group. Visit the Adult Reference Desk if you need a copy of the book. Meets monthly on Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. No registration required.

- September 11: Next Year in Havana by Chanel Cleeton
- October 9: The Great Michigan Read: What the Eyes Don’t See by Dr. Mona Hanna-Attisha
- November 13: Left: A Love Story by Mary Hogan
- December 11: Eleanor Oliphant is Completely Fine by Gail Honeyman

Native American Culture Celebration
Saturday, November 23, 2:00 p.m. All ages.
Reg Pettibone, a full-blooded Woodland Native American from the Ho-Chunk Nation, along with his wife Marca, from the Paiute Nation, presents a unique and engaging cultural performance that amazes, entertains and educates audiences throughout the United States. Reg, also a champion powwow dancer, draws on his traditional upbringing to provide the audience with a better understanding of true native culture through dance, song, stories, audience participation and a hand on artifacts display. This highly recommended presentation exposes the audience to their nation’s past and present-day culture in a whole new and exciting way!
Kid’s Events
Registration required unless otherwise indicated.

Homeschool Discovery Fun
Ages 5 and up. Come meet with other families who homeschool, have fun, and share some great learning adventures. We will meet on the following Tuesdays from 1:00-2:00 p.m. September 10 & 24, October 8 & 22, November 12 & 26, December 10.

Parent Power
September 11, October 10, November 6, 7:00 p.m.
Join the experts from Starfish Family Services as we discuss what it takes to be a positive parent in an increasingly negative world.
Topics include:
• Importance of Structure and Routines
• Positive Praise (including bucket filling and Love Languages)
• Stress and Self Care

Tween Tech Skills
Mondays, September 16 & October 14, 4:00-5:00 p.m. 5th-8th grade.
A new school year means new homework, new reports, and new technology skills. Stop by to learn and practice basic computer skills. Topics will include typing in a document, searching the internet, and even inserting a picture. Come to one of these sessions to start your school year off right! We will provide laptops (or you can bring your own). Space is limited. Parents welcome to stay.

Newbery and Caldecott Club
Thursday, September 19
6:30-7:30 p.m. Ages 5 and up
Looking to read some great picture books and chapter books? Like a challenge? Join us to learn about the Newbery and Caldecott award-winning books and our year-long challenge to read as many as you can! We will meet again in the spring to celebrate with a tea party!

Lego Club
Ages 6+. Free play and challenges on the following Mondays from 4:00-5:00 p.m. No registration needed. September 23, October 21, and November 18. No December Club.

Art Club
Ages 7-14. Have a project you’re working on? Want to meet and work with other young artists? Supplies will be out for you to create with. Come and join us on the following Mondays from 4:00-5:00 p.m. September 30, October 28, November 25. No December Club.

Storytimes
Join us for stories, songs, fingerplays and fun!
Baby Time for infant through 2.5 years on Mondays, 10:30 a.m.
On My Own for ages 4-6 on Tuesdays, 10:30 a.m.
Me and My Grown-up for ages 2-4 on Wednesdays, 10:30 a.m.
Pajama Storytime for ages 2-5 and their families on Tuesdays, 7:00 p.m.

Session 1 begins on Monday, September 16 and ends Wednesday, October 16.
Session 2 begins on Monday, November 4 and ends Wednesday, December 4.

Registration is required.
Kid’s Events
Registration required unless otherwise indicated.

Small Scientists
October 18, November 8, December 13, 10:30-11:30 a.m.
Ages 3-6. Learn about science while having a great time exploring new experiences with friends! Preschoolers with an adult are welcome, dress for mess.

Petting Zoo
Saturday, October 5, 11:00 a.m.
Family event. RTDL is bringing the farm to you this fall. Join us to meet a variety of sweet farm animals and to learn more about what it takes to care for these furry friends.

Spooky Stories
Thursday, October 24
Ages 5-8, 6:00-7:00 pm.
Ages 9-14, 7:00-8:00 pm.
Come listen to stories about all the things that go bump in the night: ghosts and monsters, spooks and scares! You’ll even get to share your ghost stories around the “campfire” too.

DINOvember Dino-Dig
Tuesday, November 5, 1:30-2:30 pm.
Ages 3-11. Who loves dinosaurs? We do! Come join us for some dinosaur fun and games, and maybe even dig up some dinosaur bones.

Mom’s Night In
Thursday, November 14, 7:00-8:00 p.m.
For moms, grandmas, aunts, and caregivers of all ages. Sometimes a night of board games and crafts, music and relaxation is all you need! Join us for an evening of connection and fun with other caregivers in the community. We’ll even entertain the kids for an hour!

Tween Calligraphy
Monday, December 9
6:30-7:30 p.m. Ages 8 and up.
Fancy lettering, calligraphy and more! Come and learn some fun ways to write and create a holiday card using your new skills!

Winter Crafts
Saturday, December 21
11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Family Event.
Join us in making some fun winter themed crafts. No registration required.

Make Your Cat a Condo!
Thursday, January 2, 1:00-3:00 p.m.
Family Event. Calling all cat lovers! Build your feline friend a tower, house, condo, rocket, or whatever you want out of cardboard boxes (or donate your creation to a local shelter).

Battle Bunny: Book Graffiti
Friday, January 3
11:00 a.m. -12:00 p.m. Ages 7-11
Calling all doodlers! Inspired by Jon Scieszka and Mac Barnett’s Battle Bunny, we will take old books and make them new with imagination and creativity.
Digital Services

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Over 300 magazine titles with current and previous editions

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An assortment of talking picture books for kids.

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Investment research for stocks and mutual funds

Check-out the library website for more information and to get started today. All digital collections require a library card. Sign-up for a library card during the month of September and receive a free tote bag (while supplies last) for Library Card Sign-up Month.

Hoopla Celebration!
We are celebrating two years with Hoopla by increasing the download limit to 10 downloads (from 5) for the month of September. Catch up on music, movies, or books before the holiday season arrives. Redford residents can check out Hoopla without a library card, or visit us to get your library card and full access!

Computer Classes
You don’t have to sign up for our computer classes.
If you see a topic that interests you, just drop in at the posted time.

Intro to Computers
Wednesday, 9/4, 6:00 p.m.
Thursday, 9/5, 1:00 p.m.

Intro to Microsoft Word
Wednesday, 9/18, 6:00 p.m.
Thursday, 9/19, 1:00 p.m.

Intro to Excel
Wednesday, 10/2, 6:00 p.m.
Thursday, 10/3, 1:00 p.m.

Intro to PowerPoint
Wednesday, 10/23, 6:00 p.m.
Thursday, 10/24, 1:00 p.m.

Intermediate Word
Wednesday, 11/6, 6:00 p.m.
Thursday, 11/7, 1:00 p.m.

Intermediate Excel
Wednesday, 11/20, 6:00 p.m.
Thursday, 11/21, 1:00 p.m.
HOURS
Mon-Thur: 10:00 a.m. - 8:30 p.m.
Fri-Sat: 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Sun: noon - 5:00 p.m.
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Memorial Day through Labor Day
www.rtdl.org
(313) 531-5960

HOLIDAY CLOSINGS
Labor Day
Saturday, August 31 - Monday, September 2
Building Maintenance/Staff In-Service
Thursday, Sept. 26 - Friday, Sept. 27
Veterans Day
Monday, Nov. 11
Thanksgiving
Wednesday, Nov. 27 at 5 p.m. - Friday, Nov. 29
Christmas
Monday, Dec. 23 - Wednesday, Dec. 25
New Years
Monday, Dec. 30 - Wednesday, Jan. 1

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BOARD MEETINGS
The Board generally meets monthly on the third Monday at 4:30 p.m. at the library.

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