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NEWS & EVENTS



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PRESCHOOL-6TH GRADE

Rawson Memorial Library will be welcoming patrons to join our 2023 Summer Reading Program Registration Event June 12th from 10 a.m. to noon here in the library. We are happy to announce this year's theme is "All Together Now". This theme will highlight working together, sharing our similarities, and celebrating our differences. The sign up event will include: a craft, snack, and a few other fun activities. We look forward to seeing everyone there. However, if you are unable to attend, registration will continue to be available at the circulation desk.

Once enrolled in the program each participant will receive a take home bag which will include a bookmark, pencil, rules for participating, and a Read and Bead page with registration sheet. The registration sheet will be turned in when each reader comes in to pick up their first prize.

A calendar of events will be distributed at registration but some things to look forward to are:

- Story Times for children are set for 1:30 p.m., Thursdays- June 15th, June 22nd, and July 6th. Ages 5-9.

- Animals Around the World - coming to the library on Monday, June 19 at 3 p.m. An exciting look at live animals from different countries and diverse ecosystems. This program is up-close, hands-on, safe, and fun; truly an unforgettable experience!
- All participants are invited to attend our picnic at the park. The picnic will be held at Cass City Recreational Park July 20th. Please help us celebrate and put a "bookend" on what we are anticipating to be a fun and successful summer reading program.

Why do a summer reading program?

One of the best ways to improve your children's reading skills such as reading comprehension, vocabulary, and fluency is to ensure that they are reading on a regular basis. A summer reading program can not only **ensure that they maintain their reading skills, but also improve them over the course of the summer.** Looking forward to seeing you this summer!

TEENS

7th through 12th graders are invited to participate in "All Together Now" our teen summer reading program. For every two hours

you read you'll be entered to win one of three \$25 Amazon Gift Cards. Teen Time is scheduled for Wednesdays, June 14, 21, 28 and July 5 and 19 from 3:00 - 4:30 pm. Enjoy snacks, games, and crafts with your friends! It's all free! Every time you attend you get to add your name to the drawing for the Amazon Gift Cards. The summer is full of fun possibilities! Sign-up begins Monday, June 12.

ADULTS

Rawson Library invites you to join us in "All Together Now"- The Adult Summer Reading program of 2023.

This is a very simple program, not requiring much time or effort on the part of the participant other than reading. For each book read during the summer, the participant fills out a small slip of paper that requests the Title and Author of the book as well as a rating on how well they like the book. These slips are turned in when the books are returned and then entered in a drawing to win a prize.

Sign ups start June 12th @ 10 a.m.

All participants are invited to join us as we wrap up our summer reading program with a celebration in the park on July 20th.



MeL Offers Tools to Help You Take the Next Step!

One of MeL’s eResources, *LearningExpress Library* is a great resource for high school students, college students, and adults looking to take the next step in their lives and prepare for future success. This database offers multiple “centers” where you can find very detailed and specific information:

- Need help creating a resume? You can save, edit, and print your resume in Resume Builder. You can also view tutorials on how to prepare for job interviews.
- Are you looking to start a career in a specific field of study? Practice tests for certification are available for cosmetology, nursing, teaching, various trades, and many other fields of study.
- Do you need guidance to know what career would suit you best? Learn more about occupations by browsing career prep eBooks, or launch quizzes to match your interests or skills with various careers. Practice tests for the military ASVAB & information for veterans looking to go to college or find a job are also located here.
- Thinking about college? Practice tests for the GED, PSAT, SAT, ACT, and many others are available in the Test Preparation Center. You can also use the finder tools to search for schools, graduate schools and scholarships.
- Need help in certain academic areas? Many math, reading, and writing helps are available. For example, students can take practice tests in Algebra and Geometry. Flashcards are available too.
- What else does *LearningExpress Library* offer? Computer skills tutorials, information on how to become a U.S. citizen, and Recursos Para Hispanohablantes are just a few of many other resources available.

How do you begin using *LearningExpress Library*? Using your desktop, tablet, or smartphone, connect to MeL through our website (www.rawsonlibrary.org), open up the eResources tab, click on *LearningExpress Library*, and create a username and password to start. You will now have a “My Center” page that will allow you to open tutorials, take practice tests and save your progress. Our hope is that the resources our library provides can assist you in your next step toward success!

Pam Wright, Assistant Library Director

TICKET TO RIDE...ACROSS MICHIGAN

During the month of May, Rawson Library invites you to travel across Michigan with a game of Ticket to Ride. Similar to the classic game of Ticket to Ride, but with a library-themed twist.

How to play: Draw a destination card (located at the circulation counter), travel to your destination by completing each task, once you’ve completed the tasks, turn in the destination card to the circulation counter. The person who turns in the most destination cards wins a prize.

Pick up your game board starting May 1st to race your way across Michigan. This program is intended for adults only.



BreakTime:

Rawson Library and Petal N Bean are partnering to provide new experiences in our community. Come purchase a beverage or snack and join in the fun in the dining room at Petal N Bean. Here’s the lineup for the next three months:

Bubble Teen – Saturday, May 6, 1 p.m. – 2 p.m. Teens are invited to enjoy a bubble tea with their friends and meet Marisa.

Coffee N Chat – Wednesday, June 14, 2 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. Meet new friends or visit with long-time buddies and enjoy a cup of coffee. Hosted by Pam.

Sip N Stitch – Wednesday, July 26, 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 pm. Bring your current project or start a Christmas gift. Let Petal N Bean prepare your lunch! Hosted by Ruth.

*No purchase is necessary to attend these events.



MiLibraryQuest

Teens, can you survive the MiLibraryQuest this summer? Face all manner of ghosts and ghouls as you solve the mystery of their appearance in our state through a virtual escape room. Puzzles and riddles will aid you in the quest to Survive Together Now beginning July 1st! After completing the virtual escape room, you will enter for a chance to win a prize. Students entering 7th through 12th grades are invited to participate. Watch our FB and Instagram for further details.

Just Fold It

Rawson Library invites you to join us for an afternoon of origami. This event will take place on June 8 @ 2pm. All supplies will be provided.

Career and College Corner



highlight some of the resources in future newsletters.

Hopefully, you've had an opportunity to check out the **Career and College Resources** section on the library's website to see all the great resources that are available. We plan to add a short description for each website to make it easier to select the websites that are most useful to your specific needs. In addition, a **Parent Resources** section will be added with links to practical career and college related information for parents of junior high and high school students. We'll

Lastly, the deadline for completing the Career & College Information Survey has been extended, so if you or your junior or senior high school student(s) haven't completed the survey, you can still do so. A link to the online survey can be found on the website in the light green box across each page. Paper copies of the survey are available in the library. Your input will help us provide career and college related programs and services that address the needs of our community.

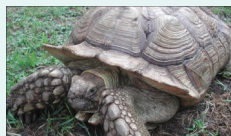
Library Services—How can we help?

Copies & Scanning up to 11x17	Home Delivery
Notary	Wireless Printing
eBooks & eAudiobooks	DVD &
Inter Library Loan	CD Cleaning
Wi-Fi	Computer Work Stations
Fax—Send or Receive	Lamination
Meeting Room	Hotspots & Laptops
Study Rooms	Seed Library

RAWSON LIBRARY AND DYNAMIC WEST PRESENTS:

Animals Around the World

Monday, June 19th at 3p.m.



This event is an exciting look at live animals from different countries and diverse ecosystems. While exploring desert, rainforest, and other locations, observe and learn about the animals indigenous to those areas. Similarities, difference, and unique attributes of each animals are discussed, as well as their characteristics and behavior patterns. This program is up-close, hands-on, safe, and fun; truly an unforgettable experience! You won't want to miss this drop in event.

Renovation Update:

The Rawson Library Board decided that it is time to spruce up the library with an interior update by painting, carpeting, and making a few modifications to the layout. We are working with Library Design Associates and have learned that the estimated start date for the project is mid to late September. We anticipate that we'll be closed for about two weeks while the work is done. When we learn the exact dates, we'll let you know through Facebook and Instagram posts, the electronic sign, and information at the circulation desk so you'll have plenty of time to stock up on your reading materials.

Clubs & Activities @ Rawson

Please check the calendar of events on the website or follow us on Facebook for the most up-to-date information.

Lego Club

3:15pm-4:30pm.

All ages are welcome; 7 and under must be accompanied by an adult. Check calendar for upcoming dates.



Chess Club

3:15pm-4:30pm.

Meets on the third Tuesday of each month through May. Chess sets provided. All ages are welcome; 7 and under must be accompanied by an adult. No experience needed.



Ravenous Readers

Book Club

May 24

Choose your own read & potluck.

Meets on the fourth Wednesday of each month September through May. If you are interested in joining this group, stop by the circulation desk or call the library at 872-2856 and ask for Danielle.



Pokémon Club

3:15pm-4:30pm.

Meets on the first Wednesday of each month through June. All ages are welcome; 7 and under must be accompanied by an adult.

Learn how to play the card game, battle each other, build your own Pokémon deck, trade cards, or show off your collection.

Upcoming Events

MAY

- 3 Pokémon Club, 3:15 p.m.
- 5 Friends of the Library Mtg, 10:00 a.m.
- 9 & 25 Lego Club, 3:15 p.m.
- 13 Bingo, 12:30 p.m.
- 16 Library Board Mtg, 9:00 a.m.
- Chess Club, 3:15 p.m.
- 24 Ravenous Readers Book Club, 12:00 p.m.
- 29 Library Closed for Memorial Day

JUNE

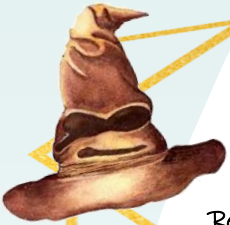
- 2 Friends of the Library Mtg, 10:00 a.m.
- 7 Pokémon Club, 3:15 p.m.
- 8 Just Fold It Origami, 2:00 p.m.
- 12 Sign Up for Summer Reading, 10:00 a.m.
- 13 Lego Club, 3:15 p.m.
- 14, 21 & 28 Teen Time, 3:00 p.m.
- 15 & 22 Story Times, 1:30 p.m.
- 17 Bingo, 12:30 p.m.
- 19 Animals Around the World, 2:00 p.m.
- 20 Library Board Mtg, 9:00 a.m.
- 28 Historical Society—Grand Hotel, 6:00 p.m.

JULY

- 1 Library Closed for Parade
- 3 & 4 Library Closed for Independence Day
- 5 & 19 Teen Time, 3:00 p.m.
- 6 Story Times, 1:30 p.m.
- 7 Friends of the Library Mtg, 10:00 a.m.
- 12-14 Harry Potter Escape Room
- 15 Bingo, 12:30 p.m.
- 18 Library Board Mtg, 9:00 a.m.
- 20 Summer Reading Picnic, 12:00 p.m.



We'll see you soon at the library!



Harry Potter Escape Room



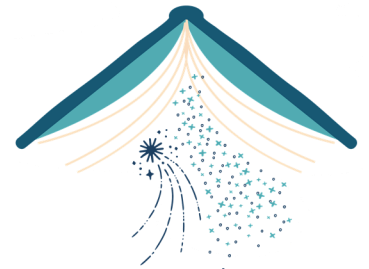
OWL POST

Are you as cunning as a Slytherin or as brave as a Gryffindor? Do you love solving puzzles as much as a Ravenclaw or are you as patient as a Hufflepuff? All houses are invited to try and conquer Rawson Library's Escape Room: Harry Potter Edition.

Registration is required for this event Limited time slots available. No more than five people per time slot. You can sign up for this event by stopping by the circulation desk or calling us at 989.872.2856

July 12 - July 14

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Sign Up
for
Summer Reading
Monday, June 12 at 10:00 a.m.

Monday, Wednesday, Friday | 9 a.m.—8 p.m.
Tuesday, Thursday | 9 a.m.—5:30 p.m.
Saturday | 9 a.m.—4 p.m.

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