

Rawson Memorial

District
Library

NEWS & EVENTS

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BLIND DATE WITH A BOOK



Single? In a relationship? "It's complicated"? No matter! During February, you can have a mysterious match up—with a book!

Check out one of the books all wrapped in paper—you won't know the identity of your blind date until you get it home.

Inside the cover of each book is a "Rate Your Blind Date" slip. With each completed slip that you return, you will be entered into a drawing for dinner for two at Charmont.

Stop by Rawson Memorial Library between February 3 and 28. You might get lucky; if not in love then perhaps in literature!

Ravenous Readers Book Club

February 27th

The Indigo Girl
by Natasha Boyd

March 26th

The Orphan Keeper
by Cameron Wright

April 23rd

To Kill a Mockingbird
by Harper Lee

Join us the fourth Thursday of each month from September through May at noon. If you are interested in joining this group, stop by the circulation desk for more information or call the library at 872-2856.



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Threads Across the Thumb VIII

Month-long quilt show! February 2020

Rawson Memorial Library is excited to present Threads across the Thumb VIII in February, an entire month devoted to quilting. Beautiful quilts will be on display throughout the library, bringing color and beauty to this cold winter month. Created by beginners and experts they are a testament to the skill and artistry of our local residents.

When you view the quilts, stop by the display case in the lobby to look at the entries in the pincushion challenge and take a moment to vote for your favorite. Prizes will be awarded at the end of the month for the first-, second-, and third-place winners.

Expert quilter, Linda Guza, is teaching a class on Saturday, February 8, 9 am - 4 pm. The project is a Chicken Table Runner or Small Quilt. The cost of the program is \$15 and includes soup and sandwich lunch. Class is limited to 12 students. Sign up today at the circulation desk and pick up the supply list.

A Quilter's Tea featuring a trunk show by the Loose Threads Quilt Guild is slated for Saturday, February 22, Noon to 2 p.m. at the Cass City United Methodist Church. During the show, members of the guild will share their inspiration for the quilts they've created.

A light luncheon will be served promptly at Noon. Cost for the event is \$15 per person and tickets are on sale at the library (they will not be available at the event). You don't have to be a quilter to enjoy this tea, so invite your family and friends to this fun event.

As you can see, the plans are all made, now all we need is you! Sign up for the special events and get ready to be inspired. Not a quilter? Stop in the library often during February to enjoy the warmth and beauty of the quilts that are on display. For further information, call the library (989-872-2856) or email librarian@rawsonlibrary.org.



Pincushion Challenge

SMART START STORYTIMES

Your partner in
education



Story Times are right around the corner! Join us as we read stories on Thursday mornings in April from 10:00 — 10:45 a.m. Ages 2-5 welcome.

Rawson Library's Smart Start Story Times teach creative expression, social skills, listening comprehension, and the foundations of reading through letter and number recognition and vocabulary building.

Sign your children up for this class at the circulation desk or by calling 872-2856. Limited space is available for this class.

MOVIE MATINEE

Upcoming Friday Flicks

This adult program is offered free of charge. Movies start at 1:30 p.m. Refreshments will be served.

February 21

Moose: Life of a Twig Eater
The Colgate Comedy Hour with
Dean Martin & Jerry Lewis

March 20

A Dog's Way Home

April 17

A Squirrel's Guide to Success
Rudy Maxa's: Andaman Coast

MAGAZINE SALE

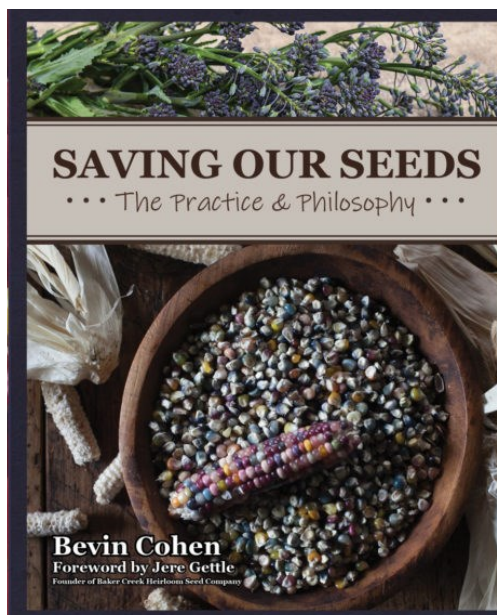
During the month of February the library will be having its annual magazine sale. This consists of library discards only. No donations please. Thank you.

Win this quilt!

Handcrafted and donated by
Linda Guza! Enter every day during
quilt month—tickets are \$1 each.



Find the quilt and tickets at the circulation desk in the library.



SAVING OUR SEEDS The Practice & Philosophy

'PLANNING AND PLANTING YOUR SEED GARDEN'

With Bevin (Ben) Cohen
author of 'Saving our seeds'

Wednesday, March 18, 1 pm.

From maintaining biodiversity to ensuring future food security, the ancient practice of seed saving is just as valuable today. But to save a seed, you need to plant a seed!

In this lively, engaging session, we'll share the practice of seed saving from planting through the harvest of good, clean food. You'll learn techniques to efficiently use your space and the supplies to get started. With this boost of extra planning, you'll have a garden that provides a bountiful harvest of both produce and seeds. Whether you collect seeds from a variety of veggies or only a select few, you're sure to find satisfaction in being an active member of the seed-saving and seed-sharing community!

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Ben Cohen is an author, herbalist, gardener, seed saver and educator. He is the owner of Small House Farm and the founder of Michigan Seed Library, a community seed sharing initiative that has worked to establish nearly seventy seed library programs. Ben offers workshops and lectures nationally on the benefits of living closer to the land through seeds, herbs and locally grown food and has published numerous works on these topics including his most recent book, 'Saving Our Seeds'. He serves on the board of the International Herb Association and the advisory council for the Community Seed Network, a multi-national education and networking platform. He will have books and products for sale at the program.



Technology Upgrade

Coming soon.....

the Rawson Library website is undergoing a facelift! Within the next couple months you'll be directed to a new and improved website which will be more compatible with your mobile devices.

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It's Quilt Month! For the eighth time since 2005 we are showcasing the talents of quilters with a month-long quilt show. At this cold and sometimes dismal time of the year, the beauty and joy of these quilts will warm your heart and brighten your day, so stop in to appreciate the creativity and workmanship of area quilters! Then in March, join us for Ben Cohen's "Planning and Planting Your Seed Garden" and start dreaming of your spring garden! We are eager to provide quality programs and resources for you, so if you have a suggestion for either, please let us know. Finally, in an effort to save money and trees, the Rawson Newsletter and The Way It Was will be issued four times a year: February, May, August, and November. We offer an email version as well as the print version, so if you'd like your copy emailed, let me know at director@rawsonlibrary.org. I hope to see you soon at the Library!

Ruth Steele, Director



FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY (FOL) - 2020 BOARD MEMBERS
LEFT TO RIGHT: Linda Guza, Secretary; Darla Deluyck, Treasurer;
Tisha Tillery, Vice Chair; Mary Keroson, Chair.



MARY'S MINUTE:

Greetings from
Friends of the Library

We look forward to working this year to promote our library through volunteering and fundraising events. Our new Board was elected in January. Most recently we volunteered to help set up the quilts for the February quilt show, approved the purchase of eleven new tables for use in the library conference room, and prepared this newsletter for mailing. Ideas for future events are being considered such as a fundraiser in March, redesigning our corner bookstore at the library, and sprucing up the foyer in the library. We encourage you to become a member. Look for our membership flyer at the library or on the library website.

"A library is a rainbow in the clouds." Maya Angelou

Mary Keroson- FOL Chair

MEMORIAL GIFTS 2019

Memorial Gifts given to Rawson Memorial District Library in loving memory of:

Robert Beauchamp

Caren Clara

Michael Corcoran

Nina Davis

Elsie Rawson Fessler (*in honor of*)

Don Greenleaf (*in honor of*)

Parker Haire

Daniel Hittler

Thaddeus "Ted" Jerzy

Marjorie Johnson

Alan Karr

Irene Kruchko

Alvin J. Mozden (2018)

Paul Nicholas

Florence Ridenour

Patricia Ann "Pat" Smith

Lucille Stine

Dalbert Wright

Tables for sale—Sturdy pressed wood tables for \$10 each. There are 4 tables at 8 feet length and 6 tables at 6 feet length available. Great for crafting, storage or parties. Call or inquire at the circulation desk.

Great Michigan Read

JOIN THE STATEWIDE DISCUSSION.

'What the Eyes Don't See:

A story of crisis, resistance, and hope in an American city'

Pick up your free copy and survey at the library— while supplies last.



Lego Club

2nd Tuesday & 3rd Thursday
of each month
3:30-4:30 p.m.

Ages 7 and under must be accompanied by an adult.

Be sure to stop in again to see your masterpiece on display for a limited time in the children's area!

Upcoming Events

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February

1-29 Quilt Show during library hours
7 Friends of the Library Mtg, 10:00 a.m.
8 Quilting Class with Linda, all day
11 Lego Club, 3:30-4:30 p.m.
18 Library Board Mtg, 9:00 a.m.
20 Lego Club, 3:30-4:30 p.m.
21 Movie Matinee, 1:30 p.m.
22 Quilters Tea | Methodist Church, 12 p.m.
27 Ravenous Readers, 12:00 p.m.

March

6 Friends of the Library Mtg, 10:00 a.m.
10 Lego Club, 3:30-4:30 p.m.
16 Beach Rock ID Program, 6:00 p.m.
17 Library Board Mtg, 9:00 a.m.
18 Seed Saving Program, 1:00 p.m.
19 Lego Club, 3:30-4:30 p.m.
20 Movie Matinee, 1:30 p.m.
26 Ravenous Readers, 12:00 p.m.

April

2, 9, 16, 23, & 30 Smart Start Storytimes,
10:00 a.m.
3 Friends of the Library Mtg, 10:00 a.m.
14 Lego Club, 3:30-4:30 p.m.
16 Lego Club, 3:30-4:30 p.m.
17 Movie Matinee, 1:30 p.m.
21 Library Board Mtg, 9:00 a.m.
24 Ravenous Readers, 12:00 p.m.

Library Services

Copies & Scanning up to 11x17

Notary

eBooks & eAudiobooks

Inter Library Loan—www.mel.org

Fax—Send or Receive

Meeting Room

Study Rooms

Home Delivery

Wireless Printing

DVD & CD Cleaning

Computer Work Stations

Lamination

Library Hours

Monday, Wednesday, Friday 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Tuesday & Thursday 9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Saturday 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Contact Information

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We look forward to your visit!
Please come view the beautiful quilts on display
all month during normal library hours.

February is Quilt Month!

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