



FRIENDS ANNUAL BOOK SALE

The Friends Annual Book Sale starts **March 6 at 5:00 p.m. with our Members Preview.** Attend the preview and receive a \$2.00 coupon toward your next Friends Shop purchase. Additionally, you will be entered for a chance to win door prizes of ROPL tote bags each with a coupon for the Friends Shop (must be present to win) valued at \$3.00, \$4.00, or \$5.00.

Additionally be entered to win a \$30.00 Barnes and Noble Gift card. Renew your Friends membership early at the door and receive a second chance to win a door prize.

Not able to shop the preview? Public hours are Friday 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Saturday 10:00 am to 3:00. Saturday is our \$5.00 bag sale. Purchase Hollywood Market bags for \$5.00 each and carry out as many books as the bags will hold! The Friends Shop is NOT included in the bag sale.

We are looking for volunteers to help prepare for the book sale and to work during the sale. **If you are interested in volunteering, please email your name and telephone number to friendsbooksale@ropl.org or telephone Roxanne at (248) 435-2011. A sign-up sheet is available in the Friends Shop.**

ADOPT A SIGN: If you are interested in adopting a lawn sign to advertise the Book Sale, contact friendsbooksale@ropl.org for details.

FRIENDS SHOP

Leading up to the sale, the shop will be closed Wednesday, March 5 and for the first two shifts on Thursday, March 6 (noon and 3:00). After the sale, we will be closed Monday through Friday, March 10-14. Regular hours resume Saturday, March 15.



The Friends sponsor the “**Live Music @ Royal Oak Public Library.**” Join us in the Friends Auditorium on select Saturdays at 3:00 pm throughout the year for these free performances. The shop stays open to accommodate attendees of the program. Enjoy great music and shop with us before or after the program (until 5:00 pm).

- March 1, 2014 – Bill Long Band
- March 22, 2014 – Woodward Corridor Musicians
- April 5, 2014 – Sheila Landis Trio
- May 3, 2014 – Double Play Flute and Tuba

Info for ROPL Patrons

- The 2014 Royal Oak Area Preschool and Child Care Directory is now available at the Royal Oak Public Library. Pick up your free copy at the library or view it online at ropl.org. It lists over 60 area preschool and child care facilities.
- Text messaging for hold pick-up notices now available! This service is available throughout The Library Network’s e-Library service area which includes Royal Oak Public Library. To use this new service, visit My Account in the TLN online catalog. You will need to enter your library card number and PIN number.



Info for ROPL Patrons cont.'d

- MLibraryCard stickers are now available for Royal Oak cardholders who previously used Michicard to borrow from participating Michigan libraries. The Library of Michigan ended Michicard on Dec. 31, but MLibraryCard was created to continue similar services. ROPL participates and can provide MLibraryCard stickers to put on ROPL library cards. This affords users book borrowing privileges at participating libraries throughout the state. Check MLibraryCard.org for a list of participating libraries. The sticker can only be issued by your home library. (Reciprocal borrowing arrangements between the over sixty libraries within The Library Cooperative Network and with Troy Public Library already exist for Royal Oak Library cardholders and these are not affected by MLibraryCard.)



JOYCE ANN MAIERLE AWARD

The Joyce Ann Maierle Award was created by the Friends of the Royal Oak Library to recognize the exceptional contributions of Joyce Ann Maierle, a long-time supporter of the Royal Oak Public Library and the Friends. To ensure recipients of the Award continue to represent the dedication and commitment shown by Joyce, the following criteria have been established.

- A recipient must be a member of the Friends of the Royal Oak Public Library. The member may also be an employee of the Library, but can be recognized only for volunteer activities.
- A recipient must have volunteered for a minimum of five years and, during those years, shown exceptional dedication and commitment to the Friends and the Library.
 - Exceptional dedication is demonstrated by volunteering significantly more hours than the average hours worked in one year by most volunteers in the shop and sorting room.
 - Exceptional commitment is demonstrated by volunteering for special projects, being available to assist and fill-in when needed, working with a positive attitude, and otherwise putting the Library's interests first.
- Recipients are eligible to receive this award more than once, in non-consecutive years, when service to the Library merits.

Friends Members, Volunteers, Board Members, Library Staff, and Library Patrons can nominate volunteers to receive the award. The 2014 deadline for nominations is June 1, 2014. **Nominate a volunteer today!**

JOYCE ANN MAIERLE AWARD NOMINATION FORM

Nominee Name _____

Nominated By (optional) _____

How does the nominee exemplify the dedication and commitment this award represents?

To be considered for 2014, nominations must be received by June 1, 2014.

Drop this form off at the ROPL Circulation Desk, email to friends@ropl.org, or mail it to:
 Friends of the Royal Oak Public Library, 222 East 11 Mile Road, Royal Oak, MI 48067

7 Things to Know About the History of the Royal Oak Public Library

This story was originally published on Royal Oak Patch posted by Judy Davids (Editor).



Did you know the library was once in a building on Main Street that is now home to Starbucks Coffee?

In 1916, the library moved out of the township offices and into a new bank building on the northwest corner of Main and Fourth Street.

Patch asked Mary Karshner, director of the Royal Oak Public Library, for a list of five things readers should know about the history of the library — and she gave us seven.

Here's a timeline of interesting facts:

1. In 1916, library was located in bank building

The citizens of Royal Oak voted a quarter mil tax to support a township library on April 3, 1916. With the new funding, the library moved out of the township offices and into a new bank building on the northwest corner of Main and Fourth Street.

2. Library registers women voters

Some early activities of the township library included WWI efforts such as collecting books for soldiers and nut shells for gas masks. The library also helped in the registration of women voters when they legally received the right to vote.

3. Library moves to Washington Square Building

In January 1928, the library moved into the Washington Square Building. By 1935 it had outgrown its space, and the City Commission purchased the closed National Bank Building at the corner of Main and Third Streets. The library remained there until the current building was completed in 1963.

4. Library starts summer reading programs

Story times and summer reading programs were integral from the beginning of the library. A Hans Christian Anderson Room was named as a result of a 1930 contest among the city's young people and was the story room in the Washington Square and Main Street library buildings.

5. Friends of the Royal Oak Public Library starts

A friends group was formed in 1940 and raised funds for many library services including a lending music record library started in 1942. This friends group folded in the early 1950s. The current Friends of the Royal Oak Public Library started in 1977 and it still going strong. It runs a used book store inside the library and funds library programs and materials with the book store and annual book sale revenues.

6. Gov. Romney dedicates new library in 1963

Gov. George Romney gave dedication speech at opening ceremonies of the new building on April 20, 1963. This building underwent an extensive renovation in 2005-2006.

7. Library purchases bookmobile

Efforts to serve all of Royal Oak included "deposit stations" at drug and hardware stores in northern Royal Oak during the 1920s and 1930s. A bookmobile was purchased in 1953. The last bookmobile was retired in 1983.



FRIENDS FUNDRAISER - MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

Celebrate National Library Week 2014 (April 13-19, 2014) with the theme, Lives change @ your library.

On **Tuesday April 15, 2014** from **4-9pm**, drop off your taxes and drop into the Royal Oak Noodles & Company to support the Friends. Mention the Friends when you order and **25% of your total is donated!**

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Membership Form

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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.

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