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Fall  
2023

# SHELF LIFE

## BEYOND THE STACKS

# 20 YEARS!

The Library is ready to celebrate! We are celebrating both our twenty years as a district library AND the wonderful millage election results.

The celebration will be held Saturday, September 30 from 1pm-5pm at the library. We have a full schedule of activities: storytelling, magic show, dance troupe performance, presentation on the history of Tecumseh, Lego activity, craft projects and more.

Our Trustees, our staff and our Friends of the Library will be here, so please stop in and join the festivities. Even if you aren't able to attend, we thank you for your support, appreciate your votes and hope you'll join us as we begin our next decade.

**LEARN**

**EXPLORE**

**INTERACT**

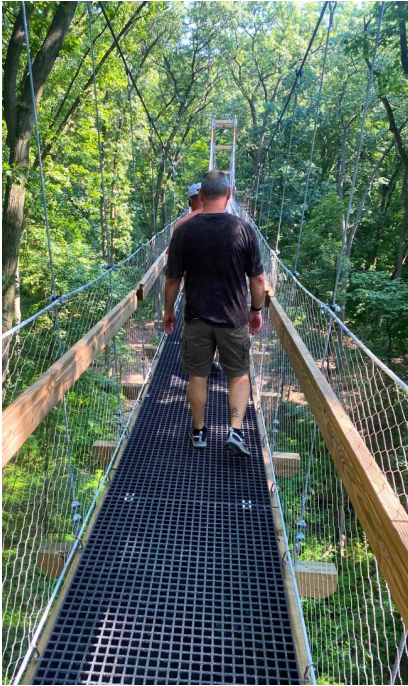
**CREATE**

**ENJOY**

**Our Vision Statement:**

The Tecumseh District Library strives to be a premier facility offering a welcoming, accessible community resource where all people can learn, explore, interact, create, and enjoy.

# Partnering With the Community



Partnerships are a useful tool for creating exciting and well-attended library programs. TDL has partnered with almost 100 individuals and organizations over the years. Partnerships are a great way to stretch community resources for both the library and the business/organization/individual. Below are some of our strongest partnerships and some of the reasons they are so valuable.



**Hidden Lake Gardens.** They provide opportunities to enjoy and learn about nature. They are a pleasure to work with because the event planning process is always innovative, creative and fun.



**3 Dudes and Dinner.** The sushi class they led was certainly enjoyed by our patrons, with both classes filling up. An additional class is coming up in November. These classes open up opportunities for patrons to learn a skill they may not normally be exposed to.

**Paper Street Soaps.** The library partnered with Paper Street to offer a body wash class and a bath bomb class. These classes provided library patrons with an opportunity to make inexpensive gifts.

**Musgrove and Co.** Coffee 101 provided patrons with an opportunity to taste test various coffees. In the past, they hosted an entertaining Open Mike Night. The owners and staff are very flexible and easy to work with, which is always a plus.

**Lake House Bakery.** This Chelsea establishment offers new recipes for those attending, such as pastry and pie dough. The owner, Keegan, is quite knowledgeable and enjoys thinking outside the box.

**Boulevard Market.** Community members get to learn useful skills from their programs, such as making a charcuterie board. Owners Erika and John seem to be creating something new all the time.

**Frank Zanger from Edward Jones.** Frank teaches new financial skills and is always up for an adventure.



**Tecumseh Paddling Co.** This business offers opportunities for patrons to exercise and enjoy nature while having fun. They have always been very supportive of TDL, which we appreciate.

**Carnegie Studios.** They do a wonderful job teaching craft classes. Susan Amstutz, from Carnegie, often teaches with Sherry Peterson from the Bead Box Rocks & Gemstones Gift Shop. Chuck Harpst, our Reference and Local History Librarian, has worked with them for many years. He comes up with an idea and they make it happen.

**Way of Life.** Community members get to try a class for free, which is a huge benefit. Way of Life makes exercise enjoyable!

**Pro Medica Charlotte Stephenson Manor.** They provide bingo prizes to add some additional excitement, as does Edward Jones and the Lenawee Medical Care facility. We are certainly grateful for their generosity.

**The Eve and Annie Boutique.** This local clothing store organized a fashion parade so library guests could learn about the latest clothing trends. What a fun idea!



**Under the Radar Michigan: How It All Started  
Thursday, November 2, 2023  
7 p.m. to 8 p.m.**



Ever wonder how two regular guys ended up with a popular PBS TV show and book that feature the cool people, places and things that make Michigan a great place to be? Well, if you'd like to find out how it all happened, join us as the men of Under the Radar Michigan make their way to Tecumseh. Join Tom Daldin and Jim Edelman for an inspirational story of reinvention and discovery.

Book signing immediately to follow. *The First 50*, *Next 50*, and *Yet Another 50* will all be available for purchase.

## Take a look at the roster of Children and Tween Programs for Fall 2023!

Children and Tweens will meet with Mrs. Reasoner in the Imagination Station for fun activities. **Registration is required.** Please go to [tecumsehlibrary.org](http://tecumsehlibrary.org) and click on the Children Tab or Tween Tab for more details.

### Mother Goose Story Time

for 3-year-olds through 5-year-olds

**Wednesday, September 20 -**

**Wednesday, October 25**

10:30 am - 11:15 am

This seasonal 6-week program features traditional nursery rhymes, nursery songs and fairy tales.



### Crafty Crew

for Third graders & Fourth graders

The Crew will meet on the second Thursday of every month from 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. for make-it & take-it crafts.

- September 14 - **Fall Crafts**
- October 12 - **Halloween Crafts**
- November 9 - **Thanksgiving Crafts**



### Story Times

for 3-year-olds through 2nd graders

6:45 pm to 7:30 pm

- **Snoozeville: A Pajama Story Time**  
Tuesday, September 26
- **Shenanigans: A Halloween Story Time**  
Tuesday, October 24
- **Harvest of Friendship: A Thanksgiving Story Time**  
Tuesday, November 21



### Mosaic Maniacs

for Tweens, Fifth through Seventh grade

We'll get together for a monthly craft program the third Thursday of each month during the school year from 3 pm-5 pm.

- September 21
- October 19
- November 16



## New Teen Programs Coming this Fall



### Teen Book Club

6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

Hey Tecumseh Teens! We are starting a new book club for this month! Join us on the first Thursday of each month for conversation and snacks as we discuss the title.

The first month's meeting will be Thursday October 5, 2023 and the book pick is *Pumpkinheads* by Rainbow Rowell.



### Life Hacks for Teens

A Once-a-Month Workshop for Teens  
Join us this fall for a monthly workshop from 3 pm to 4 pm where we will learn some essential life skills.

- **Money Management**  
Monday, September 11
- **Clothing Care**  
Monday, October 9
- **Food Prep**  
Monday November 20
- **Holiday Hacks**  
Monday, December 18

# Thank you!

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