

SHELF LIFE

Tecumseh District Library

Spring 2026



Library Hours

M-Th 10-8

F-Sat 10-5

Sun 1-5

(Oct-Apr)

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.

Learn

Explore

Interact

Create

Enjoy

From the Director



Jordan Wright, Director
Tecumseh District Library



With spring just around the corner, it's already time to start looking ahead to *Summer Reading 2026* at Tecumseh District Library. This year's theme, *Unearth a Story*, invites readers of all ages to dig into topics like archaeology, dinosaurs, buried treasure, and more. Summer Reading is open to everyone, and we encourage parents and other adults to participate alongside our community's young readers. Summer Reading will kick off with a celebration on Saturday, June 6, and continue through August.

Summer 2026 also marks the *250th anniversary* of the signing of the Declaration of Independence. To commemorate our nation's history, the library will host an America 250 Lecture Series throughout the spring, summer, and fall. Our goal is to bring you compelling history -- often with local or regional connections -- presented by engaging and knowledgeable speakers. In March, you'll hear from a representative of the *Southern Michigan Railroad* about how railroads shaped Tecumseh's history. In May, we'll welcome one of the few divers who has had the rare privilege of exploring the wreck of the *Edmund Fitzgerald*. Be sure to check back soon for more lecture topics coming later this year.

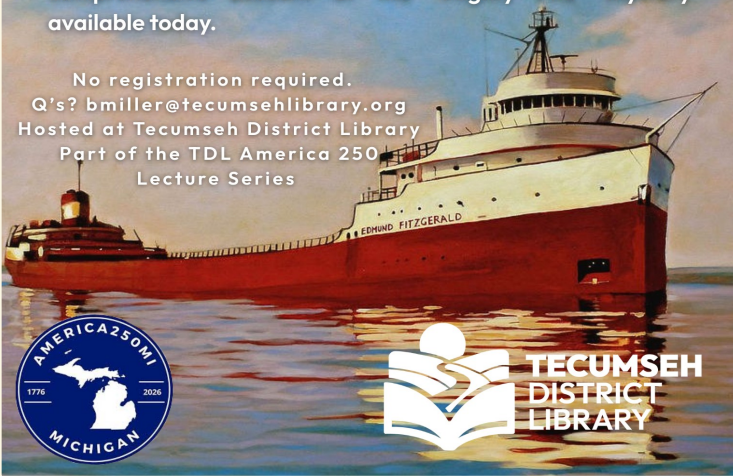
We look forward to an exciting year of reading, learning, and discovery, and hope you'll unearth something new with us.



EDMUND FITZGERALD INVESTIGATIONS THURSDAY, MAY 7 @ 6:30 PM

Join acclaimed researcher Ric Mixter for a gripping look at the Great Lakes' most famous shipwreck. As one of the few people to have visited the wreck in a submersible, Mixter shares exclusive footage, survivor stories, and decades of insight into the ship's record-breaking life and tragic 1975 disappearance. This presentation offers the most comprehensive account of the "Mighty Fitz" mystery available today.

No registration required.
Q's? bmiller@tecumsehlibrary.org
Hosted at Tecumseh District Library
Part of the TDL America 250
Lecture Series



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SMRR volunteer Bryan Monaco will present a detailed history of the New York Central Jackson Branch, tracing the line's evolution from its beginnings in 1836 through its abandonment in 1982. The program continues with the story of the railroad's rebirth in 1985, when it was acquired by the Southern Michigan Railroad Society, and explores the many owners and transformations of the line between Lenawee Junction and Jackson. Along the way, Bryan will share the story of the Southern Michigan Railroad Society itself and its ongoing efforts to preserve and interpret local railroad history for future generations.

HISTORY OF THE Southern Michigan Railroad

SATURDAY, MARCH 21 @ 2:00

No registration required. Q's? jwright@tecumsehlibrary.org
Hosted at Tecumseh District Library



COMING SOON! JOIN TDL AS WE LAUNCH THE
SUMMER 2026
READING PROGRAM ON
SATURDAY, JUNE 6TH.
ALL AGES ARE WELCOME!

BE A COOL CAT!



OPEN MIC POETRY NIGHT

EVERY THIRD THURSDAY

FROM 7 PM TO 8 PM

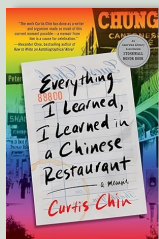
BY THE LIBRARY

FIREPLACE

TDL Afternoon and Evening Adult Book Club

Join us for our monthly, lively discussions. Numerous copies, in various formats of the following titles, are available at the Circulation Desk. *Audio books* and *eBooks* are available for download if you choose to do so.

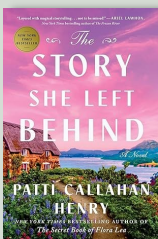
Please inquire at the Circulation Desk for more information or check tecumsehlibrary.org and click on the *Programs/Events—Book Clubs* tab for dates and times. We hope to see you at the next meeting!



March 16, 2026
at 6:30 pm

March 18, 2026
at 3:00 pm

EVERYTHING I LEARNED,
I LEARNED IN A
CHINESE RESTAURANT
By Curtis Chin



April 15, 2026
at 3:00 pm

April 20, 2026
at 6:30 pm

THE STORY
SHE LEFT
BEHIND
By Patti Callahan Henry



May 18, 2026
at 6:30 pm

May 20, 2026
at 3:00 pm

THE COLLECTED
REGRETS OF
CLOVER
By Mikki Brammer

AUDIOBOOK

Titles also available for download

eBook

NEW

THE ROUGH DRAFTS BOOK CLUB

Exploring literature & nonfiction with an emphasis on masculinity, fatherhood, history, and adventure.

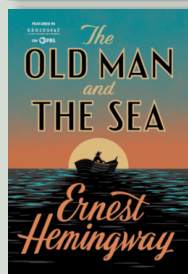
February 4th's meeting will discuss *Legends of the Fall* by Jim Harrison. Copies are available at the library.

Monthly on the first Wednesday at 7PM. Hosted @ Tecumseh District Library.

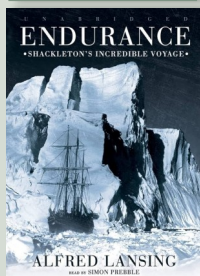
Social hour afterward at *Tecumseh Tavern*.

For further questions, contact Jordan Wright at jwright@tecumsehlibrary.org

March's Book



April's Book



Copies available at the library

Ongoing Teen Programs @ TDL

Teen D&D Club

Come join the campaign every 3rd Thursday of the month when we play Dungeons and Dragons! Don't worry if you have never played before - we can get you started. *Registration required.*

Teen Chess Club

All ages and levels, from beginners to experts, are welcome. We will provide chess boards for players to use but feel free to bring your own. Please meet by the Reference desk every Monday from 5:30 PM to 7:30 PM. *No registration required.*

Teen Book Club

Join teen librarian Andy Jackson in a relaxed, inclusive space for teens to connect over books, discussing themes, characters, and opinions in a fun, low-pressure environment. For more information, contact *Teen Librarian Andy Jackson* at ajackson@tecumsehlibrary.org

From the Children's Corner



Dr. Jennifer Moore
Children's Librarian

After a long winter, it is wonderful to see the world reawakening, much like our young readers whose minds are blooming with new ideas and stories. We are shaking off our "cabin fever" and have many great things planned for the season here at the library.

I want to take this opportunity to say *thank you* to all the families who have donated their time and money to the library. Thank you for the toys, smocks, crayons, glue, construction paper and more.

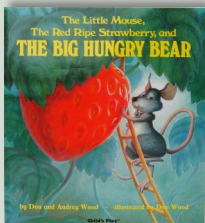
Thank you to those who spent time in the Children's Corner "cleaning up" and making our space a welcoming and safe environment. I am blown away by the generosity of this community, in particular YOU, our library patrons, for showing enormous support. Your work and dedication to this special space does not go unnoticed.

I hope to bring more families to the library where they can celebrate the love of reading together, and explore the many resources TDL has to offer. See you in the library!

Story Time

Join Ms. Jennifer for *Story Time* at the library. We will read books, sing songs, recite rhymes and do fun activities. Children of all ages are welcome, but *Story Time* will be geared toward young preschoolers and toddlers.

Afternoon Story Time is centered around preschool through 3rd grade.



MARCH

Don and Audrey Wood

APRIL

Bill Martin Jr.



ERIC CARLE
Have You Seen My Cat?



MAY

Various Authors
Various Titles

Spotlight on an Author Series: Wednesday's at 10:30 am



TDL also offers a *PAGE TURNERS* program for children to come and read to a librarian for 30 minutes each week. We also offer the '1000 Books Before Kindergarten' program. Each program is a wonderful way to encourage your children to "love to read." Please see a librarian to sign up for these programs.



CREATIVE CREW

Thursday Afternoons at 4PM

DEDICATED TO CHILDREN

AGES 6 THRU 10 YEARS

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1,000 Books Before Kindergarten is a fun, self-paced program that helps families build strong early literacy habits. By reading together regularly, children develop the skills they need for kindergarten readiness while discovering a love of books. Families track their reading progress and celebrate milestones along the way — it's an easy, enjoyable way to make reading part of everyday life.