

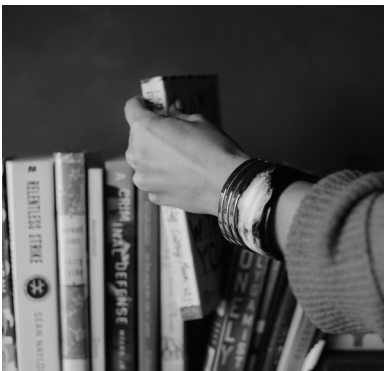
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## OTBS BOOK DISCUSSION GROUPS

Looking for an opportunity to discuss great books and network with other Oakland Talking Book Service patrons? Consider joining one of our book discussion groups. If you have questions about our book discussion groups or would like to receive one or more of the books, call 248-650-5681.



### OTBS Book Friends

*Mondays: July 11, August 1, September 12 & October 3, 1 p.m.*

Until we can safely meet in-person, this group will meet via telephone. To join the call, dial 888-916-5522. No pin number or password is needed.

**July 11:** *Honor* by Thrity Umrigar (DB106610)

Note that the July date is different due to the Independence Day holiday.

**August 1:** *The Maid* by Nita Prose (DB106298)

**September 12:** *The Rose Code* by Kate Quinn (DB102559)

Note that the September date is different due to the Labor Day holiday.

**October 3:** *The Island of Missing Trees* by Elif Shafak (DB106690)



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### Phoney Friends Book Club

*Wednesdays: July 13, August 10 & September 14, 1 p.m.*

If you prefer not to travel, join our virtual book group with only a phone call! To join the call, dial 888-916-5522. No pin or password is needed.

**July 13:** *The Great Circle* by Maggie Shipstead (DB103266)

**August 10:** *Love of My Life* by Rosie Walsh (DB107267)

**September 14:** *Lessons in Chemistry* by Bonnie Garmus (DB 107538)

**October 12, 2022:** *The Paris Library* by Janet Skeslien Charles (DB 102251)

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## Dial-In Discussion Club

*Resumes in September*

Each month we will gather to discuss various topics over the phone. This group meets on the third Monday of each month. Dial 888-916-5522 to join the program. No pin or password is necessary.

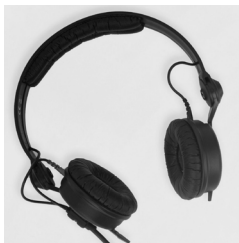
**Monday, September 19, 1 p.m.**

Topic TBD

**Monday, October 17, 1 p.m.**

Topic TBD

## Hadley Presents



Hadley is a nonprofit offering “practical help, connection and support free of charge to anyone with a

visual impairment, their families and professionals supporting them.” If you are a fan of podcasts, consider visiting the Hadley website ([www.hadley.edu](http://www.hadley.edu)) to access one of dozens of podcasts on topics related to vision loss. Past topics have included gardening and vision loss, fashion for people with visual disabilities, useful kitchen gadgets, and many more.

## Pontiac Lions Club Blind Cafe

Join your friends at the Pontiac Lions Club Blind Cafe on the third Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m. for a friendly group discussion. During times of isolation, it is great to know a simple telephone number can make a difference. The phone number is 727-731-2102.

Note: this is a long-distance number. For more information, contact Phyllis Slater at 248-320-2586.

## Discontinuation of Talking Book Topics

The National Library Service for the Blind and Print Disabled has announced that the discontinuation of the production of the print catalog, Talking Book Topics, will be permanent due to an increase in printing costs and an ongoing paper shortage. If you would like to receive issues of Talking Book Topics in audio cartridge format, contact us to set up a subscription. Additionally, current and back issues of the catalog can be found online at [www.loc.gov/nls/tbt](http://www.loc.gov/nls/tbt).

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## OTBS Renewal News

Rochester Hills Public Library has been home to the Oakland Talking Book Service since October 2012, when the Oakland County Board of Commissioners approved the move from the service's previous home at the county complex. Hosting this specialized service in the award-winning Outreach Department at the Rochester Hills Public Library allows us to offer patrons personalized customer service, even in the evenings and on weekends, as well as relevant programming and local assistive technology training. This year, the contract to keep the service at RHPL is up for renewal. If the talking book program has touched your life, please reach out to the Oakland County Commissioners and let them know how much it means to you to receive library materials, participate in book discussions, or learn new skills. You can reach out to them by email at [boc@oakgov.com](mailto:boc@oakgov.com) or by telephone at 248-858-0100.



## Virtual Programming for Older Adults

The Library of Michigan and Michigan Department of Health and Human Services are partnering to support the ability of older Michigan residents to access live, online virtual classes on a variety of topics through the GetSetUp website: [www.getsetup.io/partner/michigan](http://www.getsetup.io/partner/michigan).

The GetSetUp classes include a variety of topics including live classes on technology, meditation, brain fitness, art, cooking, financial planning, aging in place, and more.

Fees for classes for the Michigan community are waived using this code: MICHIGANHEALTH while booking a class.

## Contribute to the newsletter!

If you have a book you would like to recommend or a topic you would like to see covered, please let us know!

Call 248-650-5681 or email to [otbs@rhpl.org](mailto:otbs@rhpl.org).

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### Hours:

Mon.-Thurs .....9 a.m.-9 p.m.

Fri. & Sat .....9 a.m.-6 p.m.

Sun (through May 22).....1-6 p.m.