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Library Hours

Mon-Thurs: 9:30 a.m.-9:00 p.m.
Friday: 9:30 a.m.-6:30 p.m.
Saturday: 9:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.
Sunday: Noon-5:30 p.m.
Phone: (248) 642-5800
www.btpl.org

Library Closings

Sunday, April 20 for the Easter Holiday
Friday, May 2 for Staff Development Day
Sunday, May 25 for Memorial Day Weekend
Monday, May 26 for Memorial Day Observance



Library Board of Trustees

Margaret Cohen, Grant Gerhart, Eli Greenbaum, Judy Lindstrom, Joan C. Luksik, Pamela Williams

Library Board of Trustee meetings are held on the third Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m., except for April's meeting, which is held on the fourth Tuesday. View Library Board meetings, agendas and meeting information online at www.btpl.org. Click on "About Us" and select Library Board of Trustees.

FRIENDS of the LIBRARY — SECOND SATURDAY SALES

Save these dates — March 8, April 12, May 10 — for the Second Saturday Sales. Sale hours are 9:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m., with the first hour open to Friends members only. Not a Friends member? Membership forms are available at the door on the day of the sale, at the Library Welcome and Circulation Desks at any time, and on our website at www.btpl.org. Click on "About Us" and select Friends of the Library.

My Reading History — Having a hard time remembering what books you've read by a certain author? Not sure if you've seen that movie before? Now you can access your reading history via the Library's website. To opt into this program, go to www.btpl.org and click on My Account. Type your name and library card number into the spaces provided. Click the button on the right side of the screen that says My Reading History. Then click the button on the left side of the screen that says Opt In. The system will begin keeping a history of every item you check out, which you may view at any time by logging into My Account and clicking on My Reading History.

**Celebrate Reading, Poetry, Music,
and 50 Years of the
Bloomfield Township Public Library!**

Our yearlong 50th Anniversary celebration is well underway and many exciting events are still to come. **Save the date of October 18 for our gala "A Night at the Library"**. This ticketed event will feature live music, delicious food, raffles, and the chance to socialize with fellow library supporters. Watch the Library's website for more information.

Just as the Library has progressed through the decades from the 1960s to today, so does our celebration. In March and April, look for displays that will take you back to the 1970s. Did you know independent brass ensembles began in the 70s? Come be part of this wonderful tradition with the DSO. In May and June, the 80s are back! The Library will remember the decade of big hair and Ronald Reagan, and the Library's first renovation and expansion.

Get Musical @ the Library

Family Concert with Duo Sonidos
Saturday, March 8 at 3:00 p.m.

Duo Sonidos brings the striking combination of the guitar and violin to the forefront of classical chamber music. *Co-sponsored by the Chamber Music Society of Detroit.*

Chamber Concerts

Friday, March 21 at 7:30 p.m.
Friday, April 25 at 7:30 p.m.

Bloomfield Township Public Library partners with the University of Michigan School of Music, Theatre & Dance for a series of concerts featuring young artists. *Co-sponsored by the Friends of the Library.*

Detroit Symphony Orchestra Brass Quintet

Monday, April 7 at 7:30 p.m.

DSO musicians return to the Library to celebrate the 1970s — the beginning of the independent brass ensembles. Free tickets to the concert are reserved online at www.dso.org or by calling (313) 576-5111. *Co-sponsored by the Friends of the Library.*

"What We're Reading" eNewsletter

This monthly eNewsletter features book reviews written by Library Staff—a group of people who love to share the good books they've read with you. To sign up, go to www.btpl.org.

Spring Into Reading

This spring is the time to grab a book and enjoy the written word in all its varied forms. March is National Reading Month, and BTPL is celebrating with events for all ages.

Bloomfield Township preschools, elementary schools, early intervention classrooms, and daycare centers are invited to schedule a special story time or book talk during this month. Call Youth Services at (248) 642-5800 ext. 173 to schedule a visit for your class.

The First Grade Readers Round-up takes place throughout March with details available through the schools.

March 17 is the kickoff of the annual community reading program **Everyone's Reading**. This year's book is *Before You Know Happiness* by Chris Bohjalian. Look for more details online at www.btpl.org and in the Library starting March 17.

April is National Poetry Month. Enjoy displays and recommend reading lists for all ages. Youth Services is hosting a Celebration of Poetry on April 8. Teens are invited to submit their own poem or a favorite by someone else to our online exhibit, and we'll have copies of poems to share on *Poem in Your Pocket Day*, April 24.



The 10th Annual
Storytelling Festival is
Tuesday, April 1 and
Wednesday, April 2
from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m.

both evenings. Talented forensic student storytellers from the Bloomfield Hills School District will weave magical tales for children ages 6+, families, and adults. Audience registration starts March 1. This exciting annual event is co-sponsored by the Friends of the Library and the Bloomfield Hills School District.

April is when we celebrate libraries too! April 13-19 is National Library Week. Consider honoring your Library with a special Tribute. Go to www.btpl.org and About Us then Donations. Or pick up a Tribute envelope in the Library.

For a complete program schedule and more information, visit our website at www.btpl.org and click on "Library Events." Register for programs online at www.btpl.org (Library Events), by phone (248) 642-5800, or in person at the Library. Programs not requiring registration are open to all. Programs may be subject to change or cancellation.

Adult Programs & Events

Several programs such as various writers' groups, our Knit 'n Stitch circle, and Coffee and Conversation for seniors are offered every month. Pick up a calendar at the library or call us for more information at (248) 642-5800.

What's Cooking with Trader Joe's

Tuesday, February 25 at 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday, March 19 at 7:00 p.m.
Healthy eating and cooking in partnership with Bloomfield Township's own Trader Joe's. Registration is required and is open to everyone.

Training the Hand: Cranbrook and the Automobile Industry

Wednesday, March 5 at 10:00 a.m.
Shoshanna Resnikoff presents an in-depth look at the Cranbrook Academy of Art in the postwar period, exploring the contributions made by CAA graduates to Detroit's automotive industry.

Speak Like a Pirate Day with Mango Languages

Saturday, March 15 from 1:00-5:00 p.m.
Celebrate all things pirate with the people from Mango Languages — where you can learn to speak over 50 different languages, from Armenian to Urdu, as well as Pirate.

Yvonne Healy — The Art of Storytelling

Saturday, March 22 at 11:00 a.m.
Hear wonderful tales and learn to tell your own stories — **for families and students!**

Be a Money-Smart @ Your Library

Thursdays, April 3 & 10 at 6:30 p.m.
Mark Robinson returns with a two-part program on managing personal finances. Registration is required and is open to everyone.



The Executor's Companion: What it Means to Manage an Estate

Robert Kass and Yuh Suhm Kaiser
Tuesday, April 8 at 7:00 p.m.
Two experts in the field will talk about the practical aspects of being an estate executor. Registration is required and open to everyone. Register and you may win a free copy of their book.

Calling All Teens

Teen Advisory Board

Tuesdays, March 11 & 25, April 8 & 22, May 6 & 20 from 4:00-5:00 p.m.
Help plan library events, select materials for the Library's Teen Collection and create flyers and blogs to promote reading and the library to other teens. Visit the Teen Page online to print out your TAB application.

Call for Teen Inventors and Scientists

The Library will be holding our first ever Teen Maker Faire in June. If you are interested in displaying your invention or project, please contact Teen Services at (248) 642-5800 ext. 176 for more information.

Game Time @ the Library — National Library Week Edition

Friday, April 18 from 2:00-4:00 p.m.
Teens and adults of all abilities are invited to play games with other patrons at the Library. Registration is requested for groups.

Fault in Our Stars Teen Book Discussion

Monday, May 19 from 7:00-8:00 p.m.
Teen fans of the John Green book are invited to discuss the book and upcoming movie. Registration is requested.

GARDENING

Earth Friendly Landscapes

Mondays, March 10-31, at 6:00 p.m.
Register through SOCWA at LFDean2@gmail.com.
Co-sponsored by SOCWA, Southeastern Oakland County Water Authority, and the Bloomfield Township Public Library.

New Life for Older Landscapes with Janet Macunovich

Monday, March 24 at 7:00 p.m.

Artemisia Gentileschi—Art Lecture in Honor of Karen Imarisio with Salvador Salort-Pons

Monday, April 21 at 1:00 p.m.
The curator of European Painting at the Detroit Institute of Art presents an artist whose bold life and inspiring message leaps across centuries to speak to us all.

Youth Programs & Events

In addition to the programs listed that require registration, the Youth Department offers many drop-in programs every month. Visit www.btpl.org or call (248) 642-5800 for more information.

Seuss-sational Saturday

Saturday, March 1 at 11:00 a.m.
Celebrate the birthday of Dr. Seuss with stories and fun and games for the entire family. No registration required.

Itsy Bitsy Yoga — ages 2-5 with favorite adult (inclusive of children with special needs)

Mondays, March 3-24 at 10:00 a.m. (Four-week session)
Registration begins February 10.
This series will include poses, yoga breathing, and visualizations. Please bring a mat for everyone participating. Classes taught by Belightful Yoga instructors.

LEGO Club — ages 6 and older

Tuesday, March 4 at 6:30 p.m.
Friday, April 11 at 2:00 p.m.
Wednesday, May 7 at 6:30 p.m.
We supply the LEGO, you supply the imagination. No registration required.

Wee Play — newborn - 24 months w/adult

Fridays, March 7, April 4 and May 9 from 10:00-11:00 a.m.,
Drop in for unstructured play and discovery in the Story Room. No registration required.

PJ Theater — all ages

Wednesdays, March 12, April 9 and May 14 at 6:30 p.m.
Live theater, puppet shows, authors, illustrators, movies ...every night is different. Sponsored by the Friends of the Library. No registration required.

Mad Science — kindergarten and first grade with adult

Wednesday, March 19 at 6:30 p.m.
Registration begins February 26.
Wednesday, April 23 at 6:30 p.m.
Registration begins March 19.
Wednesday, May 21 at 6:30 p.m.
Registration begins April 23.
Read and discuss books, then conduct related experiments.

Present Day Predators and Prey: Maintaining the Balance — ages 6-11 with adult

Thursday, March 20 at 6:30 p.m.
Registration begins February 25.
Join the U of M Museum of Natural History on a journey through time as we explore strategies predators and prey have used to survive.

Story times are developed with stories, rhythms and rhymes for specific ages and all abilities. Pick up a calendar at the Library or call for dates and times.

Movers and Shakers—toddlers and early pre-schoolers, ages 2-3, with adult—registration required.

Just Us Kids—preschoolers, ages 3-6, ready to participate without adult—registration required.

Family Story Time—for the entire family—no registration required.

Sensory Saturday Story Times — ages 3-10 and their families

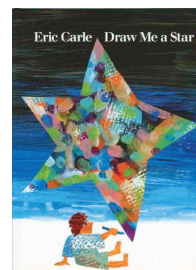
Saturday, March 22 at 2:00 p.m.
Registration begins February 15.
Saturday, April 26 at 2:00 p.m.
Registration begins March 22.
Saturday, May 24 at 2:00 p.m.
Registration begins April 26.
Join us one Saturday each month for an interactive story time filled with rhythm, movement, stories and sensory-friendly fun. Designed especially for children with developmental delays and other different needs.

A Celebration of Poetry — ages 8-12

Tuesday, April 8 at 1:00 p.m.
Registration begins March 17
In honor of National Poetry Month, we will listen, read, recite, write, illustrate and learn to have fun with poetry!

Be a Star Reader

Monday, April 14 — Saturday, April 19
Bring your favorite book to the Library and have your photo taken with it in celebration of National Library Week. 20 lucky Star Readers will have their photos featured on READ posters which will be displayed monthly at the Library.



The Colorful World of Eric Carle — ages 4+

Thursday, April 10 at 1:00 p.m.
Registration begins March 17.
Join us for fun stories and colorful crafts based on the books by Eric Carle.

May Flowers — ages 3+ with adult

Saturday, May 10 from 11:00 a.m.-Noon
Celebrate spring at the Library. Create fantastic flowers with a variety of materials or plant some seeds to grow into real flowers or both! No registration required.

Computer Classes

Registration required. Classes are open to Bloomfield Township residents only.

Register online at www.btpl.org (Library Events), by phone (248) 642-5800, or in person at the Library. Have your Bloomfield Library card number ready to register. Basic computer skills required.

Ebooks: Free From the Library — for your Tablet or Smartphone

Wednesday, March 19 from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.
Thursday, April 17 from 2:00 to 3:30 p.m.
Become familiar with downloading free ebooks through the Library's OverDrive collection. The ebooks are compatible with all devices. Downloading audiobooks is also covered. Black and white Kindle and Nook users, contact Adult Services to arrange for individual assistance if needed.

Introduction to Microsoft Excel

Saturday, March 22 from 2:00-4:00 p.m.
Saturday, April 12 from 2:00-4:00 p.m.
Learn how to properly set up a spreadsheet.

Introduction to Microsoft Word

Saturday, April 5 from 2:00-4:00 p.m.
Saturday, April 26 from 2:00-4:00 p.m.
Make Microsoft Word really work for you!

Introduction to PowerPoint

Saturday, March 1 from 2:00-4:00 p.m.
Saturday, March 29 from 2:00-4:00 p.m.
Learn how to create a PowerPoint presentation.

Introduction to Scanning & Photo Editing

Saturday, April 19 from 2:00-4:00 p.m.
Learn how to digitize documents and edit your photos.

Introduction to Social Networking

Saturday, March 8 from 2:00-4:00 p.m.
An introduction to Facebook, Twitter and LinkedIn.

SIGN UP FOR EMAIL NOTICES



Did you know you can receive hold-pickup notifications via email? Email notifications provide more information than a phone call. In addition to hold pickup notices, you will receive a notice three days prior to your items' due date. Makes it so easy to keep track of your items! Ask how to sign up for email notices at the Circulation Desk. Remember, we never use your email address for anything other than notices about your library account, and we never sell or give your email address to a third party. Ever.

SPOTLIGHT ON DATABASES

Biography in Context — This regularly updated database covers every time period from the beginning of recorded history. Search by an individual's name or explore a category of people. This is an excellent tool for upper level school reports or simply to learn about people who made a mark in history.

World Almanac for Kids — This user-friendly database is perfect for young researchers, with information on history, science, geography and more! The information is presented in a fun and interactive way using photographs, diagrams and maps, and will have young students looking forward to their next homework assignment.

BOOK RECOMMENDATIONS

We're remembering the 1970's with classic titles from that era. Check for multiple formats, including audio and eBooks.

Adult: **Tinker, Tailor, Soldier, Spy** by John Le Carré — A classic tale of the Cold War. A quiet desk man in the British Secret Service hunts for a Soviet mole, pitting his wits against his Russian nemesis Karia.

Teen: **Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy** by Douglas Adams — The first book in the series was published in 1979 and has remained a cult favorite. Escaping Earth just before it is demolished to make way for a new galactic highway, reluctant traveler Arthur Dent embarks on a series of off-beat and extraterrestrial journeys, accompanied by a variety of unusual companions, from Marvin the Paranoid Android to Ford Perfect.

Youth: **M. C. Higgins the Great** by Virginia Hamilton — As a slag heap, the result of strip mining, creeps closer to his house in the Ohio hills, fifteen-year-old M.C. is torn between trying to get his family away and fighting for the home they love.

First Grade Reader's Round-up

Throughout the month of March, Bloomfield Township Public Library celebrates young readers with this award-winning program. We invite first grade classes, along with their teachers, to the Library and then honor them all with books and other library treasures. Details will be available through the schools.

Generously supported by the Friends of the Library.