

Summer Hours Restored plus exciting new services!

Summer is a time of restoration: the grass is restored to a deep, cool green; the flower gardens are restored to brilliant color; trees are restored to fullness.

Thanks to voter support in the November 2014 election to invest in the Library, some other restorations are taking place. The Library is pleased to share plans to restore services that have been cut over the last few years. Hours, collections, and programming are being restored!

All library service hours are being restored. This means you can once again visit the Library every Sunday all year long!

What about more books? That budget has been restored too! Not only for new books, but also for new audiobooks, CDs, DVDs, and downloadable content. New items will be added to the unique Special Needs and VITALITY Kits collections; plus a Special Needs collection for adults is in development.

One of the most exciting new services in the pipeline is a streaming media service called



With **hoopla**, you can stream or download movies and TV

shows. Books (including graphic novels!), audiobooks, and music will also be available. Look for more announcements about **hoopla** later this summer.

Another new digital resource the Library recently acquired is Gale Courses. Gale Courses provide you with hundreds of online classes and allow you to learn new skills while working at your own pace.

In order to continue to protect the community's investment in the Library, many building and grounds projects are being planned. One such project will cause the drive-up return to be unavailable late Saturday, May 23 through late Sunday, May 24, as some maintenance and repairs are completed in the parking lot.

These projects are so important to ensuring that this beautiful building continues to be the crossroads of the community, and the place where so many meet, relax, work, contemplate, and discover.

Lastly, the Library invites you to "Escape the Ordinary" and be your own hero this summer with our superhero-themed summer reading programs. Happy reading!

SUMMER READING

June 13-August 8, 2015

**Superhero Training Academy
Summer Reading
Kick-off for Youth**
Saturday, June 13
1:00-3:00 p.m.



Your summer reading adventure begins at the "Superhero Training Academy" in Youth Services. Drop in and register for summer reading in order to pick up your reading game sheet. The program is open to any interested young person. Reach your personal reading goal and enter a drawing for a grand prize. In addition, our youngest library users may participate in their very own "Super Baby and Toddler Heroes Division".



**Strawberry Social Super
Summer Reading Kick-off for
Adults & Teens**
Monday, June 15 from
6:00-8:00 p.m.

Teens and adults are welcome to sign up for Summer Reading, pick up a bingo card and other summer reading essentials, and enjoy a special "super food" treat. Join us on the Adult Services Terrace!

**Summer Reading Finale
TWO Performances by the Saline Fiddlers!**
Friday, August 7 at 4:00 p.m. AND at 7:30 p.m.

Summer reading ends at an Ice Cream Social from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. with the Saline Fiddlers playing at 4:00 p.m. Enjoy a sweet treat and toe-tapping music!

The Fiddlers perform a second show at 7:30 p.m. All ages are welcome; no registration required.

Summer Reading Book Bash
August 10-16

For all children who have met their reading goals. Your reading goal must be reached by August 8th and you must have a ticket to participate in the **BOOK BASH**.

THE PLACE TO
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1099 Lone Pine Road, Bloomfield Township, MI 48302 (248) 642-5800 www.btpl.org

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

Saturday, July 4 for Independence Day



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

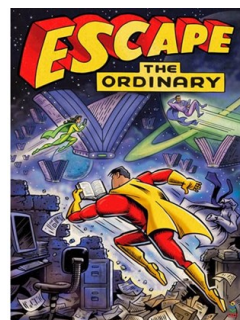
Save these dates — June 13, July 11 & 12, August 8 — for the Second Saturday Sales. Sale hours are 9:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m., with the first hour open to Friends members only. Not a Friends member? Membership forms are available at the door on the day of the sale, at the Library Welcome and Circulation Desks at any time, and on our website at www.btpl.org. Click on "About Us" and select Friends of the Library. **Please note that the extended sale date, July 12, is NOT a bag day sale.**

*Special thanks to the **Friends of the Library** for funding many of our summer reading programs and prizes and our concerts!*

For a complete program schedule and more information, visit our website at www.btpl.org and click on "Programs." Register for programs online at www.btpl.org (Programs), 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.

Summer Reading Programs & Events for Adults and Teens

Ongoing 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, visit www.btpl.org, or call us for more information at (248) 642-5800.



Summer Reading for Adults and Teens

June 13 — August 8
From comic book and fantasy characters to extraordinary everyday heroes, we invite you to escape the ordinary this summer and be a super hero reader! Read great books, attend fun programs, complete our Superhero Bingo card and win prizes. All may register for our reading program, but prizes are limited to Bloomfield Township readers only.

Fantastic Fest: Superheroes, Villains, & Beyond

Saturday, June 20 from 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.
Fantastic Fest will be a daylong festival of comic books, science fiction and fantasy characters. Great speakers, movies, games, costume contests, prizes and much more! Registration is required.

Be a Superhero: Control that Clutter

Monday, July 13 at 7:00 p.m.
Amy Blatt from *Order Restored* will talk about how to cut the clutter and organize for a better life. Registration is required.

Gardening Programs with English Gardens



Kitchen Herb Garden
Wednesday, June 3 at 7:00 p.m.
Enjoy fresh herbs from your windowsill and enhance your meals.

Escape the Ordinary: Fairy and Miniature Gardens

Monday, June 22 at 7:00 p.m.
Learn how to make whimsical container gardens.

Registration is required for both programs.

Escape the Ordinary: Teen After Hours Event—Post-Apocalyptic Games

Friday, July 17 from 6:30-9:00 p.m.
For teens ages 13-18. Participate in games of the Divergent, Hunger Games, and Maze Runner variety for cool prizes. Refreshments will be provided. Registration is required along with a signed parental permission slip.

Escape the Ordinary: Superhero Maker Space

Tuesday, July 28 from 2:00-4:00 p.m.
Teens and adults are welcome to make their very own superhero masks and manga bookmarks. Registration is required.

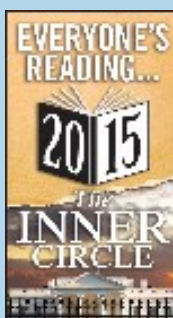
Escape the Ordinary: Adult After Hours Event—Walking Dead Edition

Friday, July 31 from 6:30-9:00 p.m.
Ever wanted to "live" the Walking Dead? Adults 18 and over are invited to participate in our zombie-themed, hide and seek scavenger hunt game for fun prizes. No, this is not a haunted house, but expect low lighting and lots of Walking Dead and zombie movie trivia. Registration is required.

Outdoor Jazz Concert — Not Your Ordinary Concert Event

Friday, July 24 at 7:30 p.m.
Enjoy an outdoor evening of cool jazz with the Paul Vornhagen Trio. Seating will be on the lawn surrounding the Adult Services Terrace — bring your own chairs. Bottled beverages only, please, no alcohol or food. Concert will be moved indoors in event of rain. Registration is not required.

Everyone's Reading *The Inner Circle*



Now in its 14th year, the metro Detroit area's community reading program returns with a political thriller by writer Brad Meltzer. Meltzer's creative output includes everything from popular fiction to children's books, history, and

outstanding comic books, making him a writing superhero!

You can hear Brad Meltzer speak about his work and his experiences as a writer on Monday, June 22, at 2:00 p.m. in Rochester Hills, and at 7:00 p.m. in West Bloomfield. Tickets are free but limited. More information, including how to obtain tickets, will be available starting May 11.

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.

Breakfast of Heroes — ages 7-11

Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m.
June 17—*Bananas and Berries*
Registration begins May 26.
July 15—*Butter and Honey*
Registration begins June 24.
Explore the literary side of breakfast foods as we create a morning feast.

Read to Seed — inclusive ages 6-12

Thursday, June 18 from 11:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
Young gardeners are invited to help Bowers School Farm plant a veggie garden on the Youth Terrace!
Registration begins May 26.

Beaker Buddies — ages 5-8 with adult

Tuesday, June 23 at 6:30 p.m.
Eliot Jones, *Midnight Superhero* by Anne Cottringer
Book discussions with a scientific twist!
Registration begins June 2.

The Amazing Race: Library Edition — ages 8-12

Tuesday, June 30 from 2:00-3:30 p.m.
Join our 4th annual Library Scavenger Hunt and search for hidden treasures throughout the Youth Room.
Registration begins June 8.

Real Heroes Book Discussion — ages 8-12

Wednesday, July 1 at 7:00 p.m.
Read and discuss the Newbery Honor book, *El Deafo* by Cece Bell.
Registration begins June 10.

Super Foodies — ages 4-7

Wednesday, July 8 at 2:00 p.m.
Little chefs are invited to join us for heroic stories, activities and fun recipes.
Registration begins June 15.

Percy Jackson and the Heroes of Olympus Party! — ages 9 and up

Thursday, July 9 at 7:00 p.m.
Join us for an evening at Camp Half-Blood! Find out whose cabin you belong in, feast on ambrosia, lead a hero's quest and more!
Registration begins June 18.

Superhero Swag — ages 6 and older

Friday, July 17 at 2:00 p.m.
Create your own superhero keychains, necklaces, and other accessories with perler beads.
Registration begins June 26.

Write with Images...Jerzy Drozd — ages 9+

Wednesday, July 22 at 2:00 p.m.
Cartoonist Jerzy Drozd will lead an interactive discussion of comic storytelling principles, then you are invited to create a short comic story of your own!
Registration begins July 1.

A Night at the Library: Heroes & Villains — ages 8-12

Friday, July 24 from 6:30-8:00 p.m.
Put your superhero skills to the test.
Registration begins July 1.

Superhero Fashion Show — ages 4-8 with adult

Wednesday, July 29 at 6:30 p.m.
Make a superhero costume and walk the runway in your creation!
Registration begins July 6.

DIY Superhero Robots — ages 6 and up

Wednesday, August 5 at 2:00 p.m.
Design your moveable superhero robot. Supplies are limited.
Registration begins July 13.

Drop-in Fun at Your Library

Check our website, www.btpl.org, or call (248) 642-5800 for more information

LEGO Club — ages 6 and older

11:00 a.m. — Saturdays, June 20, July 11 and August 15

Water Safety — families of all ages

10:30 a.m. — Monday, June 22

Superhero Olympics — ages 6-10

2:00 p.m. — Wednesday, June 24

Family Story Time — all ages

10:30 a.m. — Thursday, June 25, Friday, July 10, Monday, July 20 and Tuesday, August 4

"Every Hero Has a Story" Storywalk

Anytime — July 1-31

Flip Heroes — ages 4-7 with adult

11:00 a.m. — Thursday, July 2

Batman's Friends in the Library with the Organization for Bat Conservation — all ages

6:30 p.m. — Tuesday, July 7

Super Discovery Bottles — all ages

11:00 a.m. — Monday, July 13

Randy Kaplan Family Concert — all ages

6:30 p.m. — Tuesday, July 14

Super Tots Story Time — to age 24 months

10:30 a.m. — Thursdays, July 16 and 30

Super Me! — all ages (under 6 w/adult)

1:00 p.m. — Tuesday, July 21

Superhero Stunt Show with Doug Scheer — all ages

2:00 p.m. — Monday, July 27

Water Adventures — ages 1-6 with adult

11:00 a.m. — Tuesday, July 28

Guy Louis Family Concert — all ages

6:30 p.m. — Monday, August 3

Heroic Stories, Songs and Dances of Old Michigan starring Trois Buffons — all ages

6:30 p.m. — Thursday, August 6

Computer Classes

Registration required. Classes are open to Bloomfield Township residents only. Register online at www.btpl.org (Programs), by phone (248) 642-5800, or in person at the Library. Have your Bloomfield Library card number ready to register. Basic computer skills required.

Introduction to Microsoft Excel

Thursday, June 4 from 6:00-8:00 p.m.
Thursday, July 30 from 6:00-8:00 p.m.
Learn how to properly set up a spreadsheet.

Introduction to Social Networking

Wednesday, June 17 from 6:00-8:00 p.m.
Systems staff will introduce you to Facebook, Twitter, and LinkedIn.

Introduction to PowerPoint

Saturday, June 27 from 2:00-4:00 p.m.
Thursday, August 13 from 6:00-8:00 p.m.
Learn how to create a PowerPoint presentation.

Introduction to Microsoft Word

Thursday, July 2 from 6:00-8:00 p.m.
Saturday, August 29 from 2:00-4:00 p.m.
Make Microsoft Word really work for you!

Introduction to Scanning & Photo Editing

Tuesday, July 14 from 6:00-8:00 p.m.
Saturday, August 1 from 2:00-4:00 p.m.
Learn how to digitize documents and edit your photos.

Free eBooks and eAudiobooks — an App Away

Thursday, June 11 from 2:00-3:00 p.m.
Monday, July 20 from 7:00-8:30 p.m.
Tuesday, August 11 from 2:00-3:30 p.m.
Bring your Android or Apple (iOS) or smartphone and we'll show you how to download eBooks and eAudiobooks. Kindle or Nook users, email askadult@btpl.org for a help session.



Zinio — Free Magazines Online

Call Adult Services for dates and times of summer sessions on using this free service.

The Pop-Up Librarian is Back!

Look for a librarian, with tips and treats, to appear at various events and locations around Bloomfield Township this summer!

New Online Learning Resource

Gale Courses

Whether you're looking for college-level, professional development, or personal enrichment courses, the Library now offers hundreds of online courses that are accessible anywhere online, 24/7. Gale Courses offer well-crafted lessons, expert online instruction, and interaction with fellow students. To get started, go to www.btpl.org and select Research: Adult Databases — Learning.

Used Equipment Sale

Saturday, June 27
10:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.
(first half-hour for Bloomfield Township residents only)

Don't miss this great chance to purchase used computers, peripherals, and other used library equipment.

Some of the items available are PC hard drives, monitors, and scanners.

All items are sold as is. All sales are final. No technical support provided for computer purchases. Checks and cash only. Limit of two computers per person.



"Not Your Ordinary" Summer Book Clubs

30 Minute Lunchtime Club

Thursday, July 9 from 12:30-1:00 p.m.
Monday, August 3 from 1:00-1:30 p.m.
Bring your lunch and participate in a quick discussion — we will send you discussion questions ahead of time. Book copies available at Adult Services Desk one month prior. Registration is required.

Virtual Book Club for Adults

Go to www.btpl.org, click Discover then Adult—What We're Reading to find discussion questions, author information and more.

Virtual Book Club for Teens

Register for information including author backgrounds and reviews, plus many fun book-related activities. Go to www.btpl.org, click Discover then Teen—What We're Reading for more information.