

## Thank You, Bloomfield Township!

THANK YOU Bloomfield Township voters for your continued support of Bloomfield Township Public Library! In all, 20,837 residents voted in this November election and 12,309 yes votes were cast to approve the library millage proposal to restore and supplement library revenues. Library Board President, Joan Luksik, shared, "Our sincere thanks to our residents for understanding the needs of the Library and valuing its service. We are very grateful to the community for their support." Approval of this proposal will now allow us to completely restore library service hours, resume a full schedule of programs for all ages and restore funding for books and other collections. In addition, we will move forward with important and necessary building projects. Thank you, Bloomfield Township voters!

### "A Night at the Library" — A Night to Remember

It was a magical night indeed! "A Night at the Library", the Library's 50th anniversary gala celebration was a wonderful night, filled with delicious food, delightful music, and a distinguished crowd of library supporters. As guests stepped in the beautifully lit lobby to receive their souvenir program, they were greeted with the music of pianist Stafford Preston and the elegant beauty of dozens of Ikebana flower arrangements. Food from Westborn Market Catering, Trader Joe's, La Marsa, The Heathers, Andiamo, and Steve's Deli kept guests munching all night. Magician Ron Aldrich defied logic with mind-blowing tricks and stories. The sounds of the Paul Keller At Sundown Quintet serenaded all and inspired many to dance. The Dessert Diva impressed with delectable mini-pastries. Lucky winners went home with bountiful gift baskets. None of it would have been possible without the unwavering support of so many — from our major sponsor, the Friends of the Bloomfield Township Public Library, to the many others who bought ads or made tribute donations. This momentous event raised approximately \$20,000 to refurbish the pink study alcoves in the Youth Services department. Thank you to everyone who took part in "A Night at the Library"!



THE PLACE TO  
**DISCOVER**  
1099 Lone Pine Road, Bloomfield Township, MI 48302 (248) 642-5800 [www.btpl.org](http://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](http://www.btpl.org)

#### Library Closings

Wednesday, December 24 for Christmas Eve  
Thursday, December 25 for Christmas Day  
Wednesday, December 31, closed at 5:30 p.m.  
Thursday, January 1, 2015, for New Years 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](http://www.btpl.org). Click on "About Us" and select Library Board of Trustees.

#### FRIENDS of the LIBRARY — SECOND SATURDAY SALES

Save these dates — December 13, January 10 & 11, February 14 — 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](http://www.btpl.org). Click on "About Us" and select Friends of the Library. **Join us for a Special Sunday Sale on January 11, noon to 3:30 p.m.**

Are you looking for a volunteer opportunity? Look no further than the Friends of the Bloomfield Township Public Library! The Friends are a group of dedicated volunteers who organize the Second Saturday Sales of used books and other materials. If you like books and have some spare time, stop at the Welcome Desk in the Library to inquire about Friends memberships and volunteering opportunities.

#### Art at the Library

**Warhol on Vinyl: The Record Covers, 1949-1987+**  
Wednesday, February 11 at 11:00 a.m.

Laura Mott, Curator, Cranbrook Museum of Art, will talk about how Andy Warhol saw the record cover as a means to popularize his name as an artist, and used it to directly impact popular culture. After this talk, Bloomfield Township residents can check out free passes from the Library to visit the Museum and enjoy the exhibit, the most comprehensive to date, which runs to March 15.

**Woman with a Thousand Faces: Women as Metaphor in Art**  
Monday, January 12 at 7:00 p.m.

Boyd Chapin from the Detroit Institute of Arts presents a fascinating program about the imagery of women in art, both Western and Eastern traditions.



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

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, check online at [www.btpl.org](http://www.btpl.org) or call us for more information at (248) 642-5800.

**Chamber Music Society of Detroit Lecture Series**  
Friday, December 12, January 16, February 6 at noon  
*Dr. Steve Wogaman offers insights with musical examples on the upcoming concerts of the Chamber Music Society of Detroit.*

**Getting Published: Tricks of the Trade**  
Tuesday, January 13, 27, February 10, 24 from 7:00-8:00 pm.  
*Andrew Gulli, editor of Strand Magazine shares his experience on how to create, polish, and sell your fiction. Registration required, begins December 1.*



**Everyone Loves Wine — and Chocolate!**  
Saturday, February 7 at 2:00 p.m.  
*Enjoy everyone's favorite treat while you learn about wine. Call, check online at [www.btpl.org](http://www.btpl.org) or come in for more information beginning January 2.*

**Matthew Ball — the Boogie Woogie Kid**  
Friday, February 6 at 7:30 p.m.  
*Native Detroitier Matthew Ball offers a family-friendly program of piano, ragtime, blues and boogie-woogie entertainment, featuring arrangements from the swinging era of the 20's and 30's.*

**First Friday @ the Library**  
First Friday of every month at 7:00 p.m.  
*Join us for movies or special entertainment — free popcorn on movie nights!*

**What's Cooking with Trader Joe's: Eat Better in the New Year**  
Thursday, January 22 at 7:00 p.m.  
*Registration is required and is open to everyone.*

**Quintet Attaca Listen @ the Library with the Chamber Music Society of Detroit**  
*This concert is coming in March, 2015.*

## Calling All Teens

**MAKER SPACE for Adults and Teens**  
*Discover your creative side at the Library! Registration is required.*

**Maker Space: Recycled Paper Projects**  
Tuesday, December 30 from 2:00-4:00 p.m.  
*Make fun projects and share your ideas!*

**Maker Space: Button Projects**  
Saturday, January 10 from 2:00-4:00 p.m.  
Tuesday, January 27 from 2:00-4:00 p.m.  
*Learn how to turn buttons into fun jewelry and tableware!*

**Maker Space: Techno Crafts**  
Tuesday, February 17 from 2:00-4:00 p.m.  
Saturday, February 21 from 2:00-4:00 p.m.  
*Experiment with doodlebots and other projects using simple technology.*

**Teen Advisory Board**  
Tuesdays, December 9, January 13, February 10 from 4:00-5:30 p.m.  
*Help select books and other materials for the Library's collections. Members also recommend books and write blogs promoting reading and the Library to other teens. Visit the Library's Teen Pages at [www.btpl.org](http://www.btpl.org) for more information and to register.*

**Harry Potter Teen After Hours**  
Friday, January 9 from 6:30-9:00 p.m.  
*For teens aged 13-18. Fun games, cool prizes and yummy refreshments. Know your Harry Potter trivia! Pre-registration is required along with a signed parental permission slip.*

**Teen Book Series Discussion — Legend Trilogy by Marie Lu**  
Monday, February 23 from 7:00-8:00 p.m.  
*Join our lively discussion of this popular teen series. Registration is required. Copies of these titles are available in the Library's collection.*

**Harry "Potterathon" in the Teen Center**  
*Select dates and times, December 29 through January 8. See all Harry Potter films in order leading up to our After Hours event. Registration is not required.*

**Movies in the Teen Center**  
*Stop by the Teen Center to see a film or two using our wireless headsets. Movies are free of charge and no registration is required. Check our online Events Calendar for dates and titles.*

## 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](http://www.btpl.org) or call (248) 642-5800 for more information.

**PJ Theater — all ages**  
Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m.  
December 3, January 7, February 4  
*Live theater, puppet shows, authors, illustrators, movies...every night is different. No registration required.*

**Little Foodies — ages 4-7**  
Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m.  
December 10—Sweets & Treats  
*Registration begins November 19.*  
January 14—Breakfast Bites  
*Registration begins December 10.*  
February 11—Love Potions  
*Registration begins January 14.*  
*Little chefs are invited to join us for stories, activities and fun recipes.*

**LEGO Club — ages 6 and older**  
Saturdays at 11:00 a.m.  
December 20, January 17, February 21  
*We supply the LEGOs, you supply the imagination. No registration required.*

**Paddington Party — ages 3 and older, under 6 must be with adult**  
Tuesday, December 23 from 2:00-3:00 p.m.  
*Registration begins December 1.*  
*Bring your own bear and celebrate Paddington Bear with stories, crafts, activities and more!*

**4th Wall Theatre Company — ages 8-12, inclusive of children with special needs**  
Monday, December 29 from 1:00-2:00 p.m.  
*Young actors of all abilities will learn the basics of theatre through interactive games and activities, with a special performance at the end! Registration begins December 1.*

**Bits & Bridles — ages 5-8**  
Tuesday, December 30 at 1:00 p.m.  
*Saddle up for an afternoon all about horses and ponies! Registration begins December 1.*

**Wee Play — newborn-24 months with adult**  
Mondays, 10:00-11:00 a.m.  
January 5 — February 23  
*Drop-in for unstructured play. No registration required.*

**Beaker Buddies — grades K-1 w/adult**  
Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m.  
January 13  
*Registration begins December 16.*  
February 17  
*Registration begins January 13.*  
*Book discussions with a scientific twist!*

Story times are developed with stories, rhythms and rhymes for specific ages and all abilities. Visit [www.btpl.org](http://www.btpl.org) or call (248) 642-5800 for more information.

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

**Mother Goose Club—ages 12-24 months with adult—registration required.**

**Tinker Tales—children, ages 3-6, ready to participate without adult—registration required.**

**Shake, Rhythm & Rhyme!—children of all abilities ages 2-6 with family—registration required.**

**Tablet Tales—digital story time for children ages 3-5 without an adult—registration required.**

**Night at the Library: Mysteries and Mayhem — ages 8-12**  
Friday, January 23 from 6:30-8:00 p.m.  
*Can you solve the mystery? Join us and find out. Registration begins January 2. Parental permission slips required.*

**Unwind Afterschool Yoga — ages 5-12 with adult, inclusive of children with special needs**  
Fridays at 4:30 p.m., January 30-February 20  
*Classes are taught by Belightful Yoga instructors. Bring a mat for everyone participating. Registration for the four-week program begins January 2.*

**Crayon Crew — ages 18 months-3 years with adult**  
Saturdays at 11:00 a.m.  
January 31  
*Registration begins January 2.*  
February 28  
*Registration begins January 31.*

**Hugs and Hearts — ages 3-6 with adult**  
Saturday, February 7 from 11:00 a.m.-noon  
*A special Valentine Story Time with lots of fun activities. Registration begins January 15.*

## Drop-in Fun at Your Library

**Countdown to Noon — all ages**  
Wednesday, December 31 from 11:00-noon  
*Ring in the New Year early.*

**Make Something Day — under 6 must be accompanied by an adult**  
Saturday, January 24 from noon to 2:00 p.m.  
*Get inspired and get creative.*

**Celebrate National Bird Feeding Month — all ages**  
Monday, February 16 from 2:00 to 3:00 p.m.  
*Create your own bird feeder.*

**Thank you to the Friends of the Library for generously donating funds for Youth programming.**

## Computer Classes

**Registration required. Classes are open to Bloomfield Township residents only.** Register online at [www.btpl.org](http://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.

**Introduction to PowerPoint**  
Saturday, December 6 from 2:00-4:00 p.m.  
Saturday, February 28 from 2:00-4:00 p.m.  
*Learn how to create a PowerPoint presentation.*

**Introduction to Scanning & Photo Editing**  
Tuesday, December 9 from 6:00-8:00 p.m.  
Thursday, February 19 from 6:00-8:00 p.m.  
*Learn how to digitize documents and edit your photos.*

**Introduction to Microsoft Word**  
Thursday, December 18 from 6:00-8:00 p.m.  
Tuesday, February 3 from 6:00-8:00 p.m.  
*Make Microsoft Word really work for you!*

**Introduction to Microsoft Excel**  
Saturday, January 10 from 2:00-4:00 p.m.  
Saturday, January 24 from 2:00-4:00 p.m.  
*Learn how to properly set up a spreadsheet.*

**Introduction to Social Networking**  
Wednesday, January 14 from 6:00-8:00 p.m.  
*Systems staff will introduce you to Facebook, Twitter, and LinkedIn.*

## Virtual Book Club Resources

Did you know we have a collection of book titles with multiple copies perfect for book clubs? Each month we will highlight one title and provide author background information, reviews, and a list of discussion topics on our website at [www.btpl.org](http://www.btpl.org). Share with your book club or enjoy on your own.

## Apps and Apps — Downloading Free eBooks

Tuesday, January 6 from 2:00-4:00 p.m.  
Thursday, January 22 from 2:00-4:00 p.m.  
Monday, February 23 from 7:00-8:00 p.m.

Bring your device — smartphone, tablet, Kindle, or even your laptop — and we'll help you get started while you nibble on appetizers.

**Teen eBooks and Audiobooks**  
Visit [teens.ebtpl.org](http://teens.ebtpl.org) to access our teen collections on OverDrive.



## Spotlight on Databases

Mango Languages — Learn one of 64 languages, from Arabic to Vietnamese, with this interactive online resource. There are mobile apps available, as well as ESL courses for those just learning English.

## Book Recommendations

Winter is the perfect time to cozy up to a mystery — whether in print or on a tablet or smartphone as a free book from [ebtpl.org](http://ebtpl.org).

Adult: **Death of a Charming Man** by M.C. Beaton — Enjoy this series of mysteries set in a small town in the Scottish Highlands, featuring Hamish MacBeth, a police constable who just wants to stay in his own village but keeps stumbling upon murder. This 10th in the series is also available as an ebook.

Teen: **No One Else Can Have You** by Kathleen Hale — Friendship, Wisconsin is a small town with many secrets, as Kippy discovers while reading the journal of her murdered best friend and trying to unravel what really happened to Ruth. A quirky, dark murder mystery that will keep you guessing and laughing to the very end. Also available as an ebook.

Youth: **Bear Snores On** by Karma Wilson — Cozy up with your little ones and read this friendly tale about a cold winter night, a hibernating bear and all of his friends that stop by to get warm.

## Stuff the Story Room! December 15-19

Bloomfield Township Public Library is hosting a diaper drive to benefit the Lighthouse of Oakland County Path Program. Diapers can be dropped off in the Story Room from 9:30 a.m. Monday, December 15 through 2:00 p.m. Friday, December 19.

Thank You!