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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

Thursday, December 24 for Christmas Eve
Friday, December 25 for Christmas Day
Thursday, December 31 Library closes 5:30 p.m.
Friday, January 1, 2016 for New Years Day



Library Board of Trustees

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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 — December 12, January 9, and February 13 — for the Second Saturday Sales. Saturday 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.

Connect with the Library online

Stay informed about library happenings by signing up for newsletters. Go to the Library's website at www.btpl.org and look at the very bottom of the homepage. Enter your email address, then choose the newsletters you want to receive. All newsletters are delivered monthly. You can unsubscribe at any time. If you're on Facebook, friend us! We post event reminders and other fun library activities.

Download the Library

Winter is coming. You probably don't want to leave the house. Except, you want a new book to read. Or a movie to watch. You want to pass a winter evening by listening to some new music. On second thought, you want to use this time to take an online course. If only you could do all that without going outside.

You can! And for free!

All of the above is possible through your Bloomfield Township Public Library website and your library card. The Library offers lots of digital content through a variety of online services. All of it is accessible through our website anytime you want it.

Not only does the Library offer all this content, we offer help using it as well. This winter, you can learn how to make the most of the Library's digital content at several classes being offered. Check the sidebar for more information, or call the Library at (248) 642-5800. You can explore on your own by going to www.btpl.org and selecting the Downloads menu.

So much digital content has become available recently, sometimes it's tough to keep up with which formats are available through what service. Here's a handy chart to help you keep it all straight.

	BOOKS	AUDIO BOOKS	MAGA-ZINES	MUSIC	MOVIES	TV SHOWS	CLASSES
ALEXANDER STREET PRESS				•			
EBSCOHOST	•						
ePREP							•
FREEGAL				•			
GALE COURSES							•
HOOPLA	•	•		•	•	•	
OVERDRIVE	•	•					
ZINIO			•				

The latest addition to the stable of e-resources is **hoopla**. With **hoopla**, you can access streaming movie and TV show content plus much more. If you haven't used hoopla yet, make plans to attend the free learning sessions this winter.

This year we also added Gale Courses. Gale Courses offers online classes on hundreds of useful and interesting topics. You work at your own pace through a variety of educational formats, from reading content online to watching brief videos to posting in an online discussion forum. To learn more, attend one of the free sessions and be introduced to Gale Courses. To try Gale Courses, go to www.btpl.org and select Research, then Adult Databases, then Learning.

Discover Your Library: Homework Resources for Parents and Teachers
Monday, February 8 from 6:00-7:00 p.m.
Registration is required and is open to everyone.



Registration is required for all of the following programs and is open to Bloomfield Township residents only.

Free Ebooks and E-Audiobooks — an App Away

Monday, December 7 from 7:00-8:30 p.m.
Tuesday, January 12 from 2:00-3:30 p.m.
Thursday, January 21 from 7:00-8:30 p.m.
Thursday, February 18 from 2:00-3:30 p.m.
Bring your Android or Apple (iOS) tablet or smartphone and learn how to download ebooks and e-audiobooks.

Gale Courses — Free Online Classes

Wednesday, December 9 from 2:00-3:30 p.m.
Wednesday, January 13 from 2:00-3:30 p.m.
Come learn about Gale Courses and how they can help you learn something new!

Uncover the Library Catalog's Features

Tuesday, January 5 from 2:00-3:00 p.m.
Tuesday, February 16 from 2:00-3:00 p.m.

Explore the Library's Website

Saturday, January 16 from 2:00-3:00 p.m.
Wednesday, February 24 from 2:00-3:00 p.m.

Zinio: Download free eMagazines

Wednesday, December 16 at 7:00 p.m.
Tuesday, January 19 at 2:00 p.m.
Friday, February 26 at 2:00 p.m.
Staff will demonstrate how to use the Library's free Zinio magazine subscription service.

What's All the Hoopla About?

Friday, December 4 at 2:00 p.m.
Wednesday, January 6 at 7:00 p.m.
Tuesday, February 2 at 2:00 p.m.
*Discover how to use **hoopla** to stream or download movies, TV shows, ebooks, audiobooks and comics directly onto your mobile device or PC.*

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.

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

30 Americans at the Detroit Institute of Arts
Wednesday, December 2 at 7:00 p.m.

Carlene Van Voorhies of the DIA will talk about the current exhibition, which explores issues of racial, political, historical and gender identity in contemporary culture.



NEW for ESL Students — English Language Conversation Hour
Fridays, December 11, January 8, February 12 at 2:00 p.m.
For anyone interested in improving their English — come and chat.

Gale Course Graduation
Tuesday, December 15 from 2:00-3:00 p.m.
If you have or will complete a Gale course this year, you’re invited to our Graduation Reception! Enjoy cake, be part of our Gale Courses yearbook photo, and possibly win a prize or two. No registration required.

Comfort Food with Trader Joe’s
Thursday, January 14 at 7:00 p.m.

Teens and Adults

Adult and Teen Sensory Storytime
Mondays, January 11, February 8, March 14 at 2:00 p.m.
Join us for a fun sensory storytime — including stories, songs, movement and art — for adults and teens with special needs with a support person.

Poker 101: Texas Hold ‘Em
Saturday, January 23 at 11:00 a.m.
Join us for an introduction to a game that everyone can enjoy! Registration is required and is open to everyone.

Bookbinding for Beginners
Saturday, February 6 from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
Laura Beyer, Wax Wing Press, will guide adults and teens as they make a basic blank book in this hands-on workshop. Open to Bloomfield Township residents only — registration is required.

Calling All Teens

Teen Advisory Board

Tuesdays, December 8, January 12, February 9 from 4:00-5:30 p.m.
Take part in our monthly meetings to discuss library collections and programming for teens. Registration is required.

Star Wars After-Hours — ages 13-18
Friday, December 11 from 6:30-9:00 p.m.
Let’s celebrate the new movie, the Force Awakens, with games, trivia, prizes and much more. Registration is required along with a signed parental permission slip.

Teen Movie Club — for grades 9-12
Wednesdays, December 23, January 20, February 24 from 4:00-6:00 p.m.
Watch and discuss movies with other teens. Registration is required.

Teen Virtual Book Club
First day of every month
Read and discuss a teen book via the Library’s Teen Pages — copies will be available to check out in the Teen Center.

Financial Programs

Registration is required and open to everyone for all financial programs.

What Baby Boomers Need to Know about Required Minimum Distributions with Patrick Shope
Tuesday, January 12 at 7:00 p.m.

Starting a Business in Retirement with Ken Bloom
Wednesday, January 27, from 7:00-8:30 p.m.

Revising your Retirement Portfolio to Reflect Changes in Your Financial Goals and Individual Situation with Rick Bloom
Wednesday, February 10 from 7:00-8:30 p.m.



Financial Education Series with the Cygnet Institute of Personal Financial Literacy
Income Tax Planning
Wednesday, January 13 at 7:00 p.m.
Social Security
Wednesday, January 20 at 7:00 p.m.
Education Funding
Tuesday, February 9 at 7:00 p.m.
Managing your 401k
Wednesday, February 17 at 7:00 p.m.

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.



Mosaic Singers in Concert
Friday, December 4 at 7:00 p.m.

With their collective voices raised in song, the Mosaic Singers shift effortlessly from Motown to Mozart and Broadway to Bach, with a style that’s all their own. A concert for all ages.

Crayon Crew — 18 months-3 years with adult
Saturdays at 11:00 a.m.
December 5
Registration begins November 16.
February 20
Registration begins January 25.
A creative and fun craft program for toddlers and their grownups. Space is limited.

Full STEAM Ahead — grades K-2 with adult
Tuesday, December 8 at 6:30 p.m.
Measuring Penny by Loreen Leedy
Registration begins November 18.
Monday, January 11 at 6:30 p.m.
Stranger in the Woods by Carl R. Sams
Registration begins December 8.
Thursday, February 11 at 6:30 p.m.
A Chair for My Mother by Vera Williams
Registration begins January 11.
Explore science, technology, engineering, art and mathematics through stories and hands-on activities.

Little Foodies — ages 4-7
All programs start at 6:30 p.m.
Wednesday, December 16 — *Pizza Party*
Registration begins November 23.
Wednesday, January 20 — *Comfort Food*
Registration begins December 28.
Tuesday, February 9 — *Snowy Snacks*
Registration begins January 20.

Fan Fridays — ages 8 and older
Fridays at 4:30 p.m.
December 18
Registration begins November 20.
January 15
Registration begins December 18.
February 12
Registration begins January 15.
Join us to eat, craft, chat and vote on the activity for the next month!

Story Times

Developed with stories, rhythms and rhymes for specific ages and all abilities. Registration is required.

Bouncing Babies—babies ages 6-12 months with adult.

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

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

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

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

Tablet Tales—digital story time for children ages 3-5 with an adult.

Stuffed Animal Tea Party — ages 3 and older with a favorite stuffed animal
Monday, December 28 at 2:00 p.m.
Registration begins December 7.
Enjoy stories, activities, and food crafts as you sip tea with your favorite stuffed animal.

Tasteful Tales — ages 8-12
Thursdays from 6:30-7:30 p.m.
January 14, *Molasses*
Registration begins December 21.
February 4, *Spices*
Registration begins January 14.
Explore the literature of a variety of foods. Listen, learn, eat, and create with us!

Wee Play — ages newborn-24 months with adult
Fridays from 10:00-11:00 a.m.
January 15-March 4
Drop in for unstructured play and discovery in the Story Room. No registration required.
Thank you to the Friends of the Library for sponsoring this program.

Books & Beats: Musical Story Time — ages 1-5 with adult
Saturdays at 11:00 a.m.
January 16, February 27
Join us for a story time full of music, movement and fun. Dress in comfortable clothes! No registration required.

Happy Birthday A.A. Milne — ages 3-6 with adult
Saturday, January 30 at 11:00 a.m.
Celebrate the author’s birthday with a Winnie the Pooh party! Stories, crafts

and activities featuring the friends who live in the 100 Acre Woods. Registration begins January 4.

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 Social Networking
Wednesday, February 24 from 6:00-8:00 p.m.
Systems staff will introduce you to Facebook, Twitter, and LinkedIn.

Introduction to PowerPoint
Saturday, December 5 from 2:00-4:00 p.m.
Thursday, February 4 from 6:00-8:00 p.m.
Learn how to create a PowerPoint presentation.

Internet Security
Tuesday, January 26 from 6:00-8:00 p.m.
What everyone must know about protecting themselves online.



Introduction to Scanning & Photo Editing
Saturday, December 12 from 2:00-4:00 p.m.
Saturday, February 13 from 2:00-4:00 p.m.
Learn how to digitize documents and edit your photos.

Introduction to Microsoft Excel
Saturday, January 2 from 2:00-4:00 p.m.
Saturday, January 30 from 2:00-4:00 p.m.
Learn how to properly set up a spreadsheet.

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

Computer Basics
Wednesday, February 10 from 6:00-8:00 p.m.
New to a computer? Don’t worry, we can help.

Introduction to Google Docs
Wednesday, January 13 from 6:00-8:00 p.m.
Bring your documents to life! Google account required.

Everyone’s Reading Lisa See’s Shanghai Girls — February 15-April 12

The annual community reading program will include an appearance by Lisa See in Bloomfield Township on Tuesday evening, April 12, as well as an appearance at the Detroit Institute of Arts Art + Authors program. Look for detailed information in the library after February 15.

Art + Authors — a new collaboration with the Detroit Institute of Arts

Combine a good read with great art as part of the DIA’s program, Art + Authors: Book Discussions at the DIA. Held quarterly, the discussions are followed by guided explorations of relevant areas of the DIA’s permanent collection. The Library is encouraging participation by providing extra copies and discussion guides of the selections and assisting in the discussions at the DIA.

Downton Abbey Tea Saturday, January 2 from 1:30-3:00 p.m.



Channel your inner Dowager or Lady Mary and wear a hat or clothing from your favorite Downton year.



Join us for tea and a journey of fashion as seen through the television lens. Presented by the curators of “Fashion And The Automobile”: Lynn Anderson, Victoria Mobley, and Elaine Vermeersch. Registration is required.

Academy Award-Nominated Film Festival February 19-21

We will be showing nominated films. Both Youth and Adult titles will be shown as part of the event. Enter drawings throughout the 3 days to win movie tickets to local theaters.

Need a Unique Holiday Gift?

Bloomfield Township Public Library provides opportunities for you to honor, remember, or celebrate a special person or occasion through “Tributes.” Gifts of check or cash may be directed to be used as needed, for the BTPL Endowment Fund, to develop collections, or to enhance the Library’s gardens and terraces.

By making a tribute to the Library, you become a partner in the Library’s ongoing mission to spark imagination and discovery through the power of words. Your gift helps assure that the Library remains a vital community asset for generations to come.

Use the enclosed envelope to make a Tribute to the Library today.