

THE PLACE TO
DISCOVER

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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 5 for Easter
Friday, May 1 for Staff Development Day
Sunday, May 24 for Memorial Day Weekend
Monday, May 25 for Memorial 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.

THE FRIENDS OF THE BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP PUBLIC LIBRARY CELEBRATE 50 YEARS, 1965-2015

MAKE IT YOUR QUEST TO DISCOVER THE FRIENDS! JOIN TODAY!

FRIENDS of the LIBRARY — SECOND SATURDAY SALES

Save these dates — March 14, April 11 & 12, May 9 — 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, Sunday, April 12, is NOT a bag day sale.**

Friends of the Library Celebrate 50 years, 1965-2015 Make It Your Quest To Discover the Friends! Join Today!

Friendships that last 50 years ought to be celebrated! In 2015 the Bloomfield Township Public Library and the Friends of the Bloomfield Township Public Library are doing just that. Formed in 1965, just one year after the Library opened, the Friends of the Library have been there ever since, helping the Library go from good to great, and great to excellent.

The Friends of the Library is a group of volunteers dedicated to supporting the Library through fundraising and advocating for the Library. Over the last 50 years the Friends have given the Library more than \$1.2 million. But to say that their support is strictly financial would be to simplify what this hard-working group of people do for the Library. In many cases this funding has made the impossible possible. The Friends help library staff go the extra mile for our residents through activities such as supporting new collections, underwriting programs, and funding amenities like the enchanting gardens that greet visitors and the convenient plastic book bags available in the Library.

The primary fundraising activity of the Friends is the Second Saturday Sale. The Friends started holding used book sales in 1971. The monthly Second Saturday Sales began in 2002. The sales are 100% Friends-operated. Every week, Friends volunteers sort through hundreds (maybe thousands!) of donated items—pricing them,

stocking them, and keeping them organized and tidy. The camaraderie on Wednesday mornings, when the Friends are sorting and pricing items, is evident. Being a Friends member and volunteer is a great way to meet neighbors and other library supporters.

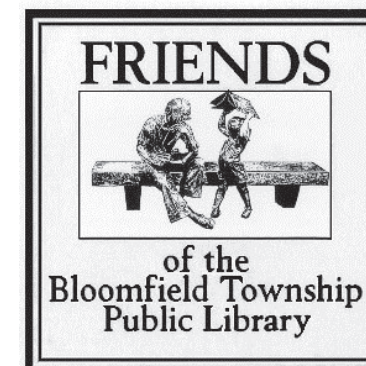
Just a few of the activities the Friends have sponsored are:

- ◆ First Grade Readers' Rally & other programs for children
- ◆ Special Needs collection
- ◆ Other popular collections such as DVDs, eBooks, and eAudiobooks
- ◆ Chamber music concerts
- ◆ Garden maintenance

Interested in being part of this dynamic group? Joining is easy. Pick up a membership envelope at the Welcome Desk in the Library, or download an application from our website at www.btpl.org/friends.

Your support is vital. Join the Friends today!

Donations of gently used books, DVDs, and CDs are accepted year-round during regular library hours.



You Have a New Text Message ... From the Library!

Starting March 1, 2015, patrons can sign up to receive courtesy notices by text message directly to a cell phone. Courtesy notices alert patrons when holds are ready, when MeLCat items have arrived, when items are about to be due, and when that due date has slipped past. This is a great way to stay on top of all the library items you've borrowed!

Come to the Circulation Desk to sign up for text message notices. All we need is your cell phone number and your cell phone service carrier. You may want to check with your service provider to find out if text message rates may apply.



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.

Chamber Music Society of Detroit Lecture Series

Fridays, March 20, April 10, May 15 at noon
Dr. Steve Wogaman offers insights with musical examples on the upcoming concerts of the Chamber Music Society of Detroit.

My Favorite Shrubs for Michigan Gardens with Jim Slezinski

Wednesday, March 25 at 7:00 p.m.
Goldner Walsh expert Jim Slezinski will talk about the best shrubs and how to grow them.

Obsession with Hamlet

Tuesday, April 14 from 7:00-8:30 p.m.
Gillian Eaton, U of M Professor of Theatre, will be joined by Shakespeare scholars Dayna Plehn and Charles Kelly as they explore the character, text and loves of arguably the most famous character in English literature. Registration is required and is open to everyone.

Diego Rivera and Frida Kahlo in Detroit

Monday, April 13 at 7:00 p.m.
The Detroit Institute of Arts will discuss the exclusive exhibit covering the year that Mexican artists Rivera and Kahlo spent in Detroit. The exhibit includes 23 pieces by Kahlo, whose work has never before been shown at the DIA.

Money Smart Week @ Your Library

April 18-25 All programs require registration and are open to anyone.



Transforming Social Security into a Winning Retirement Strategy with Morgan Stanley

Monday, April 20 at 7:00 p.m.
Learn how to maximize your benefits.

Designing Your Life Plan with Lara Galloway

Wednesday, April 22 at 10:00 a.m.
Learn how to plan ahead for a life as both mother and entrepreneur.

Get Your Documents in Order with Attorney Timothy Sloan

Thursday, April 23 at 7:00 p.m.

Practical ways to Avoid Running out of Money in Retirement with Rick Bloom

Monday, April 27 at 7:00 p.m.

Calling All Teens

MAKER SPACE for Adults and Teens

Create, tinker and share ideas at the Library! Come to afternoon or evening sessions, or both! Registration is required.

Maker Space: Power Tools 101
Tuesday, March 31 from 6:00-8:00 p.m.
Learn about power tools from our experts.

Maker Space: Sew What?!
Tuesday, April 28 from 2:00-4:00 p.m. and 6:00-8:00 p.m.
Learn some fun, easy sewing projects.

Maker Space: Free for All
Tuesday, May 26 from 2:00-4:00 p.m. and 6:00-8:00 p.m.
Finish your spring projects or try something new.

Teen Advisory Board

Tuesdays, March 10, April 14, May 12 from 4:00-5:30 p.m.
All teens are invited to be on our Teen Advisory Board. Board members provide valuable input into our teen collections and programming. Registration is required.

Game Time @ the Library

Tuesday, April 7 from 2:00-4:00 p.m.
For teens and adults of all abilities. Play games with other patrons at the Library. Registration is required for groups.

Teen Movie Club

Wednesdays, March 25, April 29, May 27 from 4:00-6:00 p.m.
For grades 9-12. Watch and discuss a movie with other teens. Registration is required.

First Friday @ the Library

Join us for movies or special events the First Friday of every month. Movies start at 7:00 p.m. and concerts at 7:30 p.m. — free popcorn on movie nights!

Everyone's Reading....

The 14th annual Metro Detroit Community Reading program will take place this spring. More information will be available by April 1.

Grilling with Trader Joe's

Wednesday, May 20 from 1:00-3:00 p.m.
Kick off the grilling season with tips from Bloomfield Township's own Trader Joe's. Registration is required and is open to everyone.

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.

Frozen — ages 4-8, under 6 must be with adult

Wednesday, March 4 at 6:30 p.m.
Registration begins February 16.
Join us for Frozen-themed fun.

LEGO Club — ages 6 and older

Saturdays at 11:00 a.m.
March 14, May 30
We supply the LEGO, you supply the imagination. No registration required.

Beaker Buddies — grades K-2 w/adult

Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m.
March 17—*Harry the Dirty Dog*
Registration begins February 17.
April 21—*A Chair for my Mother* (a **Money Smart Week** event)
Registration begins March 17.
May 12—*Our Tree Named Steve*
Registration begins April 21.
Book discussions with a scientific twist!

Little Foodies — ages 4-7

Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m.
March 18—*Dr. Seuss Delights*
Registration begins February 11.
April 22—*Spring Sensations*
Registration begins March 18.
May 13—*Zoo Food*
Registration begins April 22.
Little chefs are invited to join us for stories, activities and fun recipes.

Sign and Play — ages birth to 3 years with caregiver

Fridays at 10:00 a.m.
March 20-April 24
Signing Time Academy instructor, Sara Ghioto, teaches sign language through songs, stories and play activities. Caregivers will learn to finger sign their child's name. Classes are ASL based. Registration for the 6 week program begins February 23.

Wee Play — newborn-24 months with adult

Mondays, 10:00-11:00 a.m.
March 23—May 11
Drop-in for unstructured play. No registration required.

PJ Theater — all ages

Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m.
March 25, April 15, May 6
Live theater, puppet shows, authors, illustrators, movies—every night is different. No registration required. Sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

Story times are developed with stories, rhythms and rhymes for specific ages and all abilities. Visit 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.

Crayon Crew — ages 18 months-3 years with adult

Saturdays at 11:00 a.m.
March 28 Registration begins February 28.
April 25 Registration begins March 28.

LEGO Competition — ages 6-13

Tuesday, April 7 from 6:30-8:00 p.m.
Create a masterpiece based on your favorite book. Complete rules available late March. Winners announced during Family Game Day. No registration required.

DIY Garden Art — ages 8-12

Friday, April 10 from 1:00-2:30 p.m.
Make your garden come alive with art!
Registration begins March 16.

CHILDREN'S BOOK WEEK — May 4-10

Book in a Bottle — Stop by the Youth Desk to guess what book is in the bottle.

Guess Who?—Guess which book characters are hiding in the Children's Book Week Puzzle. Solve the mystery and get a prize.

Mexican Metal Tooling Art—ages 5 and older, 6 and under must be with an adult

Saturday, May 9 from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
Create an image from your favorite book on aluminum tooling foil. Finished pieces will be part of a temporary display in the Youth Services Department. No registration required.

Drop-in Fun at Your Library

Puppet Palooza — ages 3 and up, under 6 must be accompanied by an adult

Saturday, March 21 at 10:30 a.m.
Make your own puppets!

Family Game Day — all ages

Wednesday, April 8 from 12:00-4:30 p.m.
Enjoy a variety of board, floor and video games. Winner of LEGO competition to be announced.

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 (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 Word

Tuesday, March 3 from 6:00-8:00 p.m.
Saturday, April 25 from 2:00-4:00 p.m.
Make Microsoft Word really work for you!

Introduction to Scanning & Photo Editing

Thursday, March 19 from 6:00-8:00 p.m.
Saturday, May 30 from 2:00-4:00 p.m.
Learn how to digitize documents and edit your photos.

Introduction to Microsoft Excel

Saturday, March 28 from 2:00-4:00 p.m.
Tuesday, May 12 from 6:00-8:00 p.m.
Learn how to properly set up a spreadsheet.

Introduction to PowerPoint

Tuesday, April 7 from 6:00-8:00 p.m.
Saturday, May 2 from 2:00-4:00 p.m.
Learn how to create a PowerPoint presentation.

Introduction to Social Networking

Wednesday, April 15 from 6:00-8:00 p.m.
Systems staff will introduce you to Facebook, Twitter, and LinkedIn.

Bloomfield Virtual Book Club

Be a part of our online book club. We select a great title with multiple copies available at the Adult Services Desk. Author and background information, reviews, and a list of discussion topics are posted at www.btpl.org. Read at your own pace — ideal for busy people or those who can't get out.

Teen Virtual Book Club

Each month we will select a teen book to read and provide discussion resources online. Fun activities, games and discussion questions will be posted on our teen pages. Visit the Library's Teen What We're Reading Page at www.btpl.org.

Be a Star Reader

Monday, April 13 — Saturday, April 18
Celebrate National Library Week! Bring your favorite book to the library and have your photo taken with it. All participants will have their names entered in a special drawing. 20 lucky Star Readers will have their photo featured on READ posters that will be displayed monthly at the Library.

April is National Poetry Month

Look for displays and recommended reading throughout the Library. Submit a favorite poem or write one yourself for inclusion in our online exhibit. Thursday, April 30 is **Poem in Your Pocket Day**. Keep a favorite poem in your pocket to share. Don't have a poem? Stop by the Adult Services desk and select one from our Jar of Poems! Look for "Random Acts of Poetry" during National Library Week!

Music @ the Library

Quintet Attacca: Listen @ the Library Concert

Wednesday, March 11 at 7:00 p.m.
Enjoy an evening of innovative music with this outstanding Chicago-based wind ensemble. Co-sponsored by the Chamber Music Society of Detroit and the Friends of the Bloomfield Township Public Library.



Chamber Concert

Friday, March 13, 2015 at 7:30 p.m.
Friday, April 24, 2015 at 7:30 p.m.
Part of a series featuring young artists from the University of Michigan School of Music, Theatre and Dance. Sponsored by the Friends of the Bloomfield Township Public Library.

An Evening of Song with Linnea Anderson, mezzo-soprano, and Stanley Zydek, pianist

Friday, April 10 at 7:30 p.m.
Join us for a special performance by the Library's Ms. Anderson, featuring compositions by Brahms, Chausson, Moses Hogan, and more.

Jalopy Brothers

Friday, April 17 at 7:30 p.m.
Mix some Depression-era jazz and swing with a little old-school bluegrass and pre-war blues, and you've got a roaring good time with the Jalopy Brothers. Sponsored by the Friends of the Bloomfield Township Public Library.



Apps and Apps — Downloading Ebooks

Friday, March 20 from 2:00-4:00 p.m.
Saturday, April 18 from 2:00-4:00 p.m.
Tuesday, May 19 from 2:00-4:00 p.m.
Bring your device — smartphone, tablet, or Kindle — and we'll show you how to download both ebooks and eaudiobooks. Just drop in!

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 spring!