

DISCOVER

2020 SUMMER AT THE LIBRARY



Bloomfield Township Public
Library

New Email Newsletter Coming Soon!

Bloomfield Township Public Library is pleased to announce a new email service able to deliver the library information you care about directly to your email inbox. In this time of limited in-person contact and social distancing, electronic communication has become an information lifeline. When the Library closed for the COVID-19 pandemic, we had no way to keep our patrons instantly informed, and found we had to rely solely on social media pages and our website – platforms that require you to come to us.

This new email service allows the Library to send important information to all patrons with the touch of a button. This means you can receive news about books and services you are interested in, updates to our reopening plan, and upcoming library programs, both virtual and in person. Please know that you always have the option to opt-out of receiving these emails, and the Library will never sell or give out your email address to any third party.

So how do you sign up? If you have a library card and currently receive emailed circulation notices about your library account, then you are already enrolled. If not, call the Library at (248) 642-5800 to update your account, or visit www.btpl.org to find out how you can get a library card.

From the Library Board President...

In this rapidly changing environment we are wading through, it seems we are constantly bombarded with images, texts, news clips, and more images of things once only imagined between the cover of books or on a screen in a darkened movie house. These realities can, and sometimes do, make finding silver linings difficult to contemplate — even more so to find.

Enter Bloomfield Township Public Library to fill that void. I recall a quote from Lauren Ward that reads, “Libraries always remind me that there are good things in this world.” Indeed, truer words were never more welcome.

I, along with the entire Bloomfield Township Public Library Board of Trustees, applaud the efforts of the Library staff and leadership these past weeks. Their collective determination to navigate these uncharted waters with no map, no flashlight and no prior history all so that they can provide our community a place that continues to fuel the imagination and improve our quality of life is something to admire.

While the library’s brick and mortar doors are closed, be assured that the library doors are never truly shut, and the day we can finally welcome you back in person will be a joy-filled celebration.

– Judy Lindstrom, Bloomfield Township Public Library Board President



SUMMER DISCOVERY PROGRAM 2020 | ALL AGES | JUNE 15 TO JULY 31

All ages can register for the Library’s new online summer reading program! Read, have fun, and win great prizes. Visit www.btpl.org/summer for online registration beginning June 15. Summer reading runs through July 31, 2020, so make sure to log your reading and activities online for a chance to win prizes and to participate in virtual programs. All reading and activities **MUST** be logged by 11:59 p.m. on July 31, 2020, to be eligible for prizes.

Inside:

Programs for all ages,
book clubs, story times,
and more

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WWW.BTPL.ORG

Adults

VIRTUAL BRANCH

Whether the library building is open or not, you can always stop by Bloomfield Township Public Library's Virtual Branch at www.btpl.org/virtual. Here you'll find links to all of our recorded programming, information on upcoming events, and resources to keep you engaged and educated. If there's something you'd like to see, reach out and tell us via email at AskAdult@btpl.org.

ASK A LIBRARIAN

Speaking of asking, we're here for you. If you have questions, our team of librarians will do our best to find answers. An email to AskAdult@btpl.org is the easiest way to reach us 24/7, or during open hours feel free to give us a call at (248) 642-5800. We hope to offer in-person service soon!

LYNDA.COM

We are pleased to announce the newest addition to our online resources: *Lynda.com*. Available to those with a valid Bloomfield Township Public Library card, *Lynda.com* offers access to 15,500+ online courses. We hope that you'll be inspired to learn the latest software, creative, and business skills with bite-sized tutorials or comprehensive courses. If you have questions or need help getting set up, please contact the Adult Services Department.

Summer Discovery

It is summer, the season to read for fun, to go on new adventures, to engage your imagination, and to discover the world around you. Check out everything your Library has to offer you this summer at www.btpl.org, and make sure to visit our virtual branch 24/7 at www.btpl.org/virtual. Please note that all virtual programming – both live and recorded – will have captioning for your expanded accessibility.



Virtual Fun for the Entire Family with LEGO!

Who is your Everyday Hero? All ages can participate. Submit photos of your creations from June 22 – July 3. Here are the rules:

- Use your own LEGO, Duplo, Megablocks or other LEGO-like bricks to build something unique to the theme "Everyday Heroes"
- Submissions must be your own creation, not from a LEGO kit or online tutorial.
- Snap a picture of your creation and email to AskYouth@btpl.org by Friday, July 3, 5:00 p.m.
- One entry per person please.
- Include the first name only and age of the builder.
- Include parental consent to allow the entry and first name to be posted to social media.

Submissions will be uploaded to the Library's Facebook, Instagram and Twitter pages after July 13.

Technology

TECH OPEN LAB

Thursday, July 2, 5:30 – 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, July 7, 3:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Thursday, July 15, 5:30 – 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, July 21, 3:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Thursday, July 29, 5:30 – 6:30 p.m.

Please visit www.btpl.org/events for additional dates.

Registration is required for each session.

Do you have tech questions? Join our technology staff on Zoom and ask away! All general tech inquiries are welcome, so bring your questions about topics such as Microsoft products, web applications, social media, Google Apps, email, and how to use your personal digital devices. Register by sending an email to AskTech@btpl.org.

GENERAL TECH ASSISTANCE

If you are in need of general technical assistance, please email AskTech@btpl.org or give us a call at (248) 642-1084. We're happy to help over the phone during business hours.

Youth

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LIVE INTERACTIVE VIRTUAL EVENTS

For all live programs you must register by visiting our Virtual Branch webpage at www.btpl.org/virtual. Please note that space is limited for live events.

Live Family Story Times via Zoom

Days vary, 11:00 a.m.

Thursday, June 25

Wednesday, July 15

Tuesday, June 30

Wednesday, July 22

Thursday, July 9

Thursday, July 30

Registration is required. Join our Youth Services librarians for a live, interactive virtual story time for families of all ages.

4th Wall Theatre Online Workshop

Monday, June 29, 4:30 p.m.

Registration is required. Join the 4th Wall Theatre Company for a fun, interactive virtual theatre workshop. Actors and actresses of all abilities, ages 6-12 are invited to join this live event.

Art Lab via Zoom

Tuesday, July 7 or Thursday, July 16, 1:00 p.m.

Registration is required. Ms. Nicole and Ms. Andy are back with exciting art projects to do at home. They will lead artists, ages 10-13, step-by-step through a creative project live on Zoom.

Online Fairy Tale Family Trivia

Wednesday, July 22, 3:00 p.m.

Registration is required. Love Fairy Tales? Join this live family trivia event on Zoom and test your knowledge against others in three rounds of questions. Each family will count as a team.

ONLINE BOOK DISCUSSIONS

Join us for a live online book discussion group that is right for you. Space is limited, and registration is required through our Virtual Branch at www.btpl.org/virtual. All books are available online for checkout.

My First Book Group, Grades K-1 with an Adult

Tuesday, July 21, 4:30 p.m.

Ada Twist, Scientist by Andrea Beaty

Book Worms, Grades 2-3

Wednesday, July 29, 4:30 p.m.

Mrs. Noodlekugel by Daniel Pinkwater

Paperbacks & Snacks, Grades 4-5

Thursday, July 2, 4:30 p.m.

Granted by John David Anderson

Book Chat, Grades 6-8

Monday, July 20, 4:30 p.m.

The Hero's Guide to Saving Your Kingdom by Christopher Healy

MAKE NEW DISCOVERIES FROM HOME

We know many of you miss visiting us here at the Library. To help make our time apart go by faster, our staff has compiled a great list of fun and educational resources for you at www.btpl.org/athome. Feel free to browse this great list, just as if you were wandering around inside the Library and scanning through the shelves looking for something new. We hope there's something there that sparks discovery for you and your family, and we look forward to the day soon when we see you again in person!

ON-DEMAND PROGRAMMING

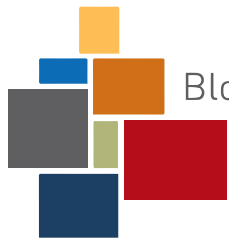
In addition to live programs, check out the Library's on-demand programs at www.btpl.org/virtual, which you can enjoy 24/7 from the comfort of your own home. Some of our recent virtual programs include fun make-at-home science experiments including how to make a robot arm, a tornado in a bottle and a slime how-to, as well as numerous BookTalk programs for children, teens, and adults featuring titles from the Library's online digital resources. See what the Virtual Branch has to offer!

VIRTUAL TEEN CLUB

Teens aged 13-18 are invited to join our Adult Services librarians each month for our Virtual Teen Club on Zoom. We will talk books and graphic novels, and even play some trivia, with categories such as Harry Potter, sports, movies, and gross foods. For dates visit www.btpl.org/events, and register by emailing AskAdult@btpl.org.



Our monthly **Star Reader poster program** continues this July, running from July 1 - July 31. Is your child interested in being a Star Reader for Fall 2020 through Summer 2021? If so, a grown-up can take their picture from home and submit it to our Youth Department. Please have your child stand in front of a blank wall while holding their favorite book. Then email the picture with your child's name, age, title of their book and a telephone number where we can reach you to mcclaugha@btpl.org. If your child is selected to be featured on one of our monthly Star Reader posters, you will be contacted, and we will send you an image release form.



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All hours are subject to change. Please visit www.btpl.org for the most current information.

Monday-Thursday
10:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Friday
10:00 a.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Saturday
10:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Sunday
Closed

Holiday Closings

Saturday, July 4
Sunday, September 6
Monday, September 7

Board of Trustees

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Meetings are at 7:00 p.m. the third Tuesday of each month except April, which is the fourth Tuesday. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, meetings may be held virtually.

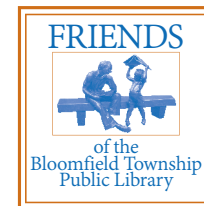
For the most current information or to view meeting packets visit www.btpl.org.

Friends of the Library

Memberships available at www.btpl.org/friends. The Friends look forward to resuming our monthly sales in the upcoming months. In the meantime, please set aside your books, CDs, DVDs and puzzles to drop off when the Donation Room opens once again. Stay safe and healthy. See you soon!



Please check the Friends Facebook page www.facebook.com/FriendsBTPL for further updates.



Make it your quest to join the Friends today!

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