

JULY 2026



The "Unearth a Story" Summer Reading Challenge is in full swing! There's still plenty of time to participate. If you haven't signed up yet, visit btpl.org/summer or stop in at any one of the Library's Service Desks to begin your summer adventure! Also, mark your calendars for the [Summer Reading Wrap Up for All Ages](#), Friday, August 7, 2 p.m. – 4 p.m. This drop-in event will feature indoor and outdoor activities, music, and games. Kona Ice food truck will be in the parking lot during the event, offering cool treats to purchase and enjoy on one of the Library Terraces.

Adult and Teen Services Events



[Gentle Spaces for Adults and Teens](#)

Monday, July 13, 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

No registration required; drop in anytime. Experience a relaxed, sensory-friendly hangout that includes an adaptive story time, a hands-on craft, low-key games and puzzles, and softer lights and sounds. This space is designed for adults (18+) with neurodiversity or intellectual and developmental disabilities, along with families and caregivers. Come as you are, explore what feels comfortable, and enjoy a welcoming space to unwind and connect (if you choose).



[Pickin' with the Champ:](#)

[Morel Mushrooms with Anthony Williams](#)

Tuesday, July 14, 7 p.m.

Registration is required. Get expert tips from five-time morel mushroom hunting champion Anthony Williams on gathering this elusive delicacy. Hear stories from his 70+ years of picking and his 20 years as Expert in Residence at the National Morel Festival in Boyne City.



[The Art of the Ukrainian Pysanka](#)

Wednesday, July 22, 7 p.m.

Registration is required. Learn about the intricate art of pysanka, eggs that are decorated with symbolic patterns and dyed. Olga Liskiwsyi, Executive Director of the Ukrainian American Archives and Museum in Hamtramck, demonstrates and explains the importance of this centuries-old tradition, deeply rooted in Ukrainian identity.



[Teen Craft Club](#)

Thursday, July 23, 1:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

No registration required; drop in anytime. Stop by the Library for DIY fun. A variety of crafts will be available, or bring your own project. Stay to create or gather supplies to take home. Bring your friends! Ages 13 – 18.



[Speed Dating with a Book](#)

Friday, July 31, 7 p.m.

Registration is required. Looking for a great book to finish your summer reading goal? In the span of an hour, you'll hear library staff pitch 20 books they recently read and loved, helping you find your next excellent read.



[Climate Change: Myths and Reality](#)

Thursday, August 6, 7 p.m.

Registration is required. Get an accessible overview of the science behind changes we're seeing in the climate, their impact on Michigan, and mitigations that could make our communities more resilient. Janice K. Means – professor emerita at Lawrence Technological University and sustainability author – presents data-supported insights.

All Ages Event: Michigan Bald Eagles with Dr. Carl Palazzolo



Tuesday, July 21

[4 p.m. – Ages 6 and up](#)

[7 p.m. – Teens and Adults](#)

Registration is required. Register for one session only. Learn about Michigan's bald eagles with wildlife veterinarian and author Dr. Carl Palazzolo. You'll hear insights and view photos from his nearly 50 years of caring for these majestic creatures. Plus, take a picture with a bald eagle from Michigan Avian Experience! Dr. Palazzolo's book will be for sale.

Youth Services Summer Programs

[Dino Drawing Workshop](#)

Thursday, July 9, 11 a.m.

Registration is required. Learn to draw a variety of dinosaurs using basic shapes and shading. No previous drawing experience is needed. This class will be taught by Corinne Roberts, an illustrator of children's books, comics, and more. For ages 7 and up.



[Make Your Own Dino Garden](#)

Monday, July 13, 6 p.m.

Registration is required. Create a fun dinosaur plant scene with real plants, toy dinosaurs, and other garden accents. A selection of plants will be available for participants to transplant into individual pots, then we'll add decorative elements right in the pots to make a fun scene or magical environment for garden visitors. For ages 8 – 12.

[Pokémon Party](#)

Thursday, July 16, 2 p.m. – 4 p.m.

Registration is required. Pokémon fans, ages 7 and up, are invited to meet together to swap Pokémon cards, play the game, and to try your hand at Pokémon trivia!





Summer Family Movie Marathon

Tuesday, July 28, 11 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Theme: Adventurers

11 a.m. – *The Emperor's New Groove* (G)

12:30 p.m. – *Raya and the Last Dragon* (PG)

2:30 p.m. – *The Pagemaster* (G)

No registration required. Bring a blanket to cozy up at the Library for themed movie marathons. Popcorn and water will be provided, and you may bring your own nut-free snacks.

Splash Bash

Thursday, July 30, 2 p.m. – 4 p.m.

No registration required. Drop-in water play fun for little ones, ages 1 – 3 years, on the Youth Terrace. There will be a variety of splashy activities, so be prepared to get a little wet. Towels and swimsuits are welcome. If the weather is bad, we will try to reschedule for another date outside.



Outdoor Family Story Times @ the Library



Evening Family Story Times

Tuesday, July 7, 7 p.m.

Wednesday, August 5, 7 p.m.

Daytime Family Story Times

Tuesday, July 14, 10:30 a.m.

Monday, July 20, 10:30 a.m.

Wednesday, July 29, 10:30 a.m.

No registration required. Join us outside for story time this summer on the Youth Services Terrace. Families can cozy up together for stories, songs, rhymes, movement, and fun for all ages. In the case of inclement weather, Summer Story Time will be held in the Youth Story Room.



UPCOMING EVENTS



Visit our [Calendar of Events](#) for upcoming programs at the Library including:

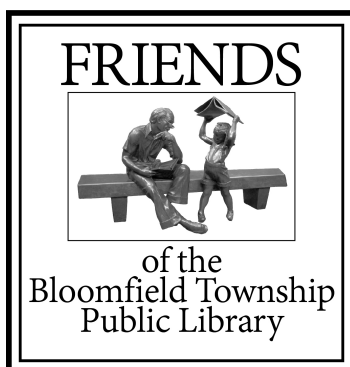
- [Fiber Arts Club](#), every month on the first and third Tuesday, 10 a.m. – 12 noon
- [English Language Conversation Group](#), Fridays, 10 a.m. – 12 noon
- [Tots and Friends Playtime](#), Fridays, 10 a.m. – 12 noon
- **Summer Puzzle Tournament for All Ages**, Saturday, July 11, 1 p.m. – 4 p.m.
Register your team of 2 – 4 for the [Novice Level](#), [Intermediate Level](#), or [Advanced Level](#).
- [Excel](#), Monday, July 13, 5:30 p.m.
- [Computer and Internet Basics](#), Thursday, July 16, 1:30 p.m.
- [ChatGPT and AI](#), Monday, July 20, 5:30 p.m.
- [Smartphone Photography Plus](#), Tuesday, July 28, 5:30 p.m.

[Library Used Equipment Sale](#)

Saturday, July 18, 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Used electronics such as computers, printers, and other library equipment removed from service will be sold at bargain prices. The first 30 minutes of the sale are reserved for Bloomfield Township residents only. Payments may be made by cash, check, or credit card. All equipment will be sold “as is” and is final sale. There will be no technical support available. Once purchased, equipment must be removed from the Library by 1 p.m. on Saturday, July 18.

Additionally, select library furnishings, including tables, chairs, and shelving units, will be sold in preparation for the Library Renovation Project. Larger items may need disassembly. All furnishings will be sold “as is” and are final sale. Disassembly and moving are the responsibility of the purchaser. These items must be removed from the Library by 5 p.m. on Saturday, August 1. A spreadsheet of available equipment and furnishings will be made available on btpl.org by July 1.



Friends of the Library

The Friends of the Library will hold their next **Second Saturday Sale**, Saturday, July 11, 11 a.m. – 3 p.m., with a members-only sale period from 10 a.m. – 11 a.m. ([memberships available](#) online or at the door). Bring a bag or box for your purchase. Donations are accepted in the Book Donation Room at the west end of the building during the Library's open hours, accessible from the outside walkway. For the most up-to-date information, visit our [website](#), or the Friends' [Facebook](#) or [Instagram](#) pages.

Library Hours

Mon. - Thurs.: 9:30 a.m. - 9 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.

Holiday Closings

The Library will be closed Sunday, September 6, and Monday, September 7, in observance of Labor Day.

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