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Spring Book Sale

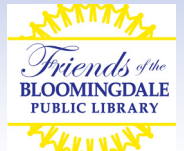
Visit the Bloomington Public Library for the
Friends' Annual Spring Book Sale

SATURDAY, MARCH 25

9:00 - 4:00 P.M.

SUNDAY, MARCH 26

1:00 - 3:00 P.M.



BLOOMINGDALE SENIORS' CLUB

Are you a senior living in Bloomington or one of the surrounding communities? Do you enjoy playing cards and meeting others who share your interests? If your answer is yes to any of the above questions, the club may just be the place for you. The Bloomington Seniors' Club meets on the second Tuesday of every month at the library. A short business meeting begins at 11:00 a.m. followed by an afternoon of card playing and refreshments. Dues are only \$8 per year. Join us!



FEDERAL AND STATE TAX FORMS @YOUR LIBRARY

The library has common federal income tax forms available to the public. Other forms may be printed at the library for 10 cents per page. To order additional federal forms, call the IRS at 1-800-829-3676 or download forms online at www.irs.gov/forms-&-pubs.

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LIBRARYEVENTS

Winter Concert Series

Dangerous Folk *R*

Tuesday, February 14

7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

David, Doug, and Julie are Dangerous Folk presenting "Blowing in the Wind" - a mighty wind of classic folk music from the 50's and 60's.



McNULTY IRISH DANCERS

(DROP-IN)

All Ages

Sunday, March 12

2:00 - 2:45 p.m.

Celebrate

St. Patrick's Day with the McNulty Irish Dancers. Young dancers entertain with traditional Irish dance and music.



Cemetery Art Symbolism *R*

Sunday, February 19 - 2:00 - 3:30 p.m.

The Bloomingdale Historical Society and the Bloomingdale Public Library will co-host this program which focuses on the rich symbolism displayed in cemeteries of the Victorian Era. Laurel Mellien will present how headstone art during this time period was carefully chosen by family members to properly represent the deceased. Many clues about the lives of the dearly departed can be discovered by learning the language of cemetery art symbolism.

eLibrary Resources

Want to enjoy eBooks, eAudiobooks, digital music, magazines, movies, and TV on the go? Your BPL library card has you covered. Find thousands of eBooks for adults, children, and teens in our catalog search, or search directly through MyMediaMall or Hoopla. Know a kid who loves books? TumbleBook Library offers animated, narrated picture and chapter books. Visit the eLibrary link at mybpl.org to learn about all your downloadable options!



Yearbook Donations

Have an old yearbook cluttering up the attic? Donate your gently used yearbook! The library's Local History collection is missing various yearbooks from Lake Park, Glenbard North, and Glenbard



West. If you'd like to donate a yearbook from a missing year, we would greatly appreciate it! Check out our yearbook collection here - <http://mybpl.org/yearbookcollection>



ADULT PROGRAMS

Registration is required for most adult programs. Please register early to help us avoid cancellations. Register at the Reference Desk, online, or by phone (630) 924-2730.

***R* - Registration Required**

Natural Pain Relief and Prevention *R*

Monday, February 6 - 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

For over 2000 years, Asian cultures have used balance, exercise, and acupuncture to treat a variety of ailments including pain. Modern research is now showing how effective these techniques are for preventing or treating muscle and joint pain. Learn how to restore balance to your body without medications by using exercise and acupressure in this hands-on presentation. *Presented by Erin E. Ducat, Chiropractic Physician.*



Are You Curious About Medical Cannabis? *R*

Tuesday, February 7 - 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Medical Cannabis, aka Medical Marijuana, is now available in Illinois. What does it mean for you? Is it safe? How does a patient get it? Kirsten Velasco, Patient Advocate for Illinois Women in Cannabis (NFP), will answer all of your questions with a presentation covering the science, biology, laws, application process, and patient experience, followed by an open Q & A.

Home Buying 101 *R*

Tuesday, February 21 - 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Buying your first home can be stressful and confusing. Join us and learn all the important steps to home ownership, including the loan process, knowing the housing market, home selection, appraisals, home inspection, and the closing. College of DuPage instructor Kathryn Hoffman has over 21 years of experience as a realtor, with a focus on first time home buyers. She has extensive knowledge of real estate and current market conditions and helps clients purchase and sell homes in the western Chicago suburbs.

Chicago in Poland; Poland in Chicago *R*

Monday, February 27 - 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Outside of Warsaw, Chicago has the world's largest Polish population. Learn about the challenges of Polish immigration from the early 1800's to the present and discover the various centers of Polish and Polish-American culture and traditions. Join us for a multimedia presentation by former teacher and author Donna Urbikas, who emigrated to Chicago as a child and grew up in the Polish community of the 1950's and 60's, as highlighted in her recent memoir, *My Sister's Mother: A Memoir of War, Exile, and Stalin's Siberia*.

Baking with Bogna Solak: Polish Treats for Casmir Pulaski Day *R*

Tuesday, February 28 - 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Bogna Solak, owner of Oak Mill Bakeries, tells stories of her life in Poland and coming to the U.S. as she demonstrates how to make delectable treats from her chain of bakeries.



ONGOING PROGRAMS

GAMES FOR GROWNUPS (Drop-In)

Thursdays, February 9 & March 9

2:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Join us for an afternoon of cards, board games, and video games. Refreshments provided.

BLOOMINGDALE SENIORS' CLUB (Drop-In)

Tuesdays, February 14 & March 14

11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Do you enjoy playing cards and meeting others who share your interests? Join the Seniors Club!

GENEALOGY CLUB (Drop-In)

Thursdays, February 23, March 23

6:30 - 8:45 p.m.

Members share search strategies and explore library resources with guidance from certified genealogist Leslie Drewitz.

GREAT DECISIONS *R*

Wednesdays, February 15 & March 15

7:00 - 8:30 p.m.

The Great Decisions discussion program is a civic education program administered and produced by the Foreign Policy Association. In preparation for the discussion, participants read the relevant chapter on a particular foreign policy issue in the Great Decisions briefing book that will be available for check out, followed by a moderated discussion among the participants.

DOWNLOADABLE RESOURCES *R*

Monday, February 13 & Thursday, March 16

4:00 - 7:30 p.m.

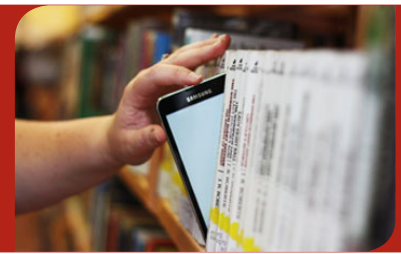
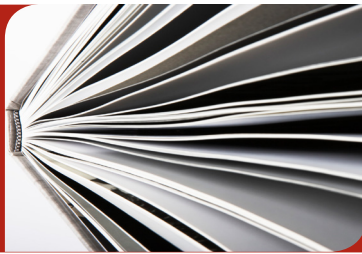
We'll have a librarian available to get you started using eBooks, audiobooks, and digital magazines. Contact the Reference Desk to schedule an appointment.

TAI CHI *R*

Fridays, February 3 & March 3

10:00 - 11:00 a.m.

Join us at the library for an hour of Tai Chi, which is all about slow movement, meditation, breathing, and balance. *Bob Plucinsky is an instructor of Tai Chi and Qi Gong from the Bloomington Township Senior Center. He has a B.S. in Physical Education and a M.S. in Health Education.*



Inside Writing & Publishing Series

Become an Outrageously Successful Author: How to Build Your Audience of Readers, Even Before You're Published! *R*

Monday, March 6 - 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Platform is key in today's publishing arena, whether self or traditionally published. Learn how to make sure as an author that the conversation about you and your book is in your control; what matters in an author website; the best blogging platforms; and tips for drilling down to your audience.

- How to make sure YOUR words get read
- Five key ingredients for a successful writer website
- Building a successful social networking platform to create a ready-made audience for your book

Want to Be a Best-Seller? It's All About the Influence!: How to Grow Your Audience Using Key Industry Influencers *R*

Tuesday, March 7 - 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Learn how book reviewers, book bloggers, booksellers, and live book clubs can tip the sales-scale in an author's favor. This discussion includes sources for finding your reviewers and clubs as well as suggestions on how to approach them with your book(s).

- Why reviews and sharing reviews across your platform matters
- How to reach into the homes of readers via live book clubs
- Creating reader communities using local indie bookstores and libraries

Both programs presented by Shari Stauch, CEO and creator of WhereWritersWin.com.

Uncovering the Hidden Job Market: Career Searching Strategies Using ReferenceUSA *R*

Monday, March 13 - 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Attendees will learn how to use ReferenceUSA as part of their career searching strategy. Learn the importance of having accurate information for applications and resumes; creating engaging cover letters; assembling references and referrers; finding key persons to act as mentors, and more. Presented by Nancy Spidle, Senior Account Manager with ReferenceUSA.

Reset Health 101: The Effects of Toxins and Stress *R*

Tuesday, March 14 - 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Dr. Hetal Shah will give a talk on the harmful effects of toxins and stress on our bodies and how we can counteract them. Topics to include: hormone imbalance; thyroid issues; metabolic syndrome; difficulty losing weight and belly fat; autoimmune disorders; digestive problems (leaky gut); chronic fatigue and recurrent infections.

DIY Make & Take: Dahlia Paper Wreaths *R*

Tuesday, March 21 - 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Spring is here, and it's time to add some fun colors to your decor. Join us and learn how to easily make your own Dahlia Paper Wreath, to hang on your front door or in any room that needs a dash of bright spring colors. Several examples will be on display for you to make and take home. You'll also learn how to search Pinterest for more paper flower and wreath ideas!

Building Your Credit Rating *R*

Tuesday, March 28 - 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Banks and credit card companies use credit scores to determine whether applicants qualify for loans or home purchases, as well as the rate of interest charged. Learn ways to improve your credit score and build your financial future. College of DuPage instructor Jim Droske is the president and founder of Illinois Credit Services. Jim has worked in the credit and lending industry for over 25 years and regularly speaks throughout the Chicago area as an expert on credit building.

Movie Matinee (Drop-In)

We'll supply the popcorn! Come enjoy new releases at BPL's Movie Matinee and enter for a chance to win a copy of that day's movie on DVD.

The Magnificent Seven

Wednesday, February 15 - 1:00-3:30pm

Rated: PG-13 / Running Time 133 minutes



The Light Between Oceans

Wednesday, March 15 - 1:00-3:00pm

Rated: PG-13 / Running Time 130 minutes

BOOK DISCUSSION GROUPS

MONDAY NIGHT PAGE TURNERS

Monday, February 20
7:30 p.m.

Hold Still: A Memoir with Photographs
by Sally Mann

Monday, March 20
7:30 p.m.

Where Things Come Back
by John Corey Whaley

HISTORICAL BOOK GROUP

Tuesday, February 7
10:00 a.m.

Sultana: Surviving Civil War, Prison, and the Worst Maritime Disaster in American History
by Alan Huffman

Tuesday, March 7
10:00 a.m.

Prince of Darkness: The Untold Story of Jeremiah G. Hamilton, Wall Street's First Black Millionaire
by Shane White

MYSTERY MAVENS

Wednesday, January 22
7:30 p.m.

Land of Shadows
by Rachel Howzell Hall

Wednesday, March 22
7:30 p.m.

The Do-Right
by Lisa Sandlin



KIDSCORNER



Some programs require registration as noted. You may register for programs online at www.mybpl.org (click on "Calendar" at the top of the page), at the YS Reference Desk, or call (630) 924-2740. Please have your library card when you register.

R - Registration Required

Registration for Bloomington residents begins Monday, February 6 and for non-residents one week before each program begins.

Drop-In – No Registration Required

PROGRAMS

LEGO MADNESS (DROP-IN)

Grades K-6

Mondays, February 6, March 6

6:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Come stretch your imagination and make new friends with free building.

STORYTIME WITH A SURPRISE AT

STRATFORD SQUARE MALL (DROP-IN)

All Ages

Thursdays, February 2, March 2

11:00 - 11:45 a.m.

Join us for a themed storytime the first Thursday of every month at Stratford Square Mall (meet by Cafe Court – lower level) and receive a treat for being a good listener! All ages welcome; caregivers must remain with their children.

CRAFT TIME (DROP-IN)

All Ages

Thursdays, February 2 and March 2

3:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Stop by the Youth Services department

anytime between 3:00-8:00 p.m. to

make a fun craft. We'll supply all the materials needed.



STORYTIME, MILK, & COOKIES AT PANERA (DROP-IN)

All Ages

Mondays, February 13 & March 13

9:30 - 10:15 a.m.

Enjoy a special themed storytime with music and nibble on some yummy cookies and milk from Panera!

BILINGUAL SPANISH STORYTIME *R*

Ages 2-5 with caregiver

Tuesdays, February 14, 21, 28

10:00 - 10:30 a.m.

Join us for stories, rhymes, finger plays, songs, and movement in both English and Spanish for a bilingual storytime. Siblings welcome. This program is presented by Bilingual Stars.

ELECTRIC MAYHEM *R*

Grades 3-5

Wednesday, February 15

4:15 - 5:00 p.m.

Come play with electricity! Make circuits, create funny things with static electricity, light things up!

COLOR MY WORLD *R*

Grades 1-3

Thursday, February 16

4:15 - 5:00 p.m.

Love coloring? Come join the coloring book craze with lots of beautiful coloring book pages available to decorate in your own creative style. Snacks and all art materials supplied.

EARLY LEARNING KICKSTART *R*

Ages 3-5

Wednesdays, February 15 & March 15

1:00 - 1:30 p.m.

Get early learners off to a great start.

This program is designed to build an academic foundation and a love of learning. Children will begin to connect words, learn letter sounds, and work with pencil skills to prepare for writing numbers and letters. This program is presented by the Bloomington Kumon Center.

FLYING FOX CONSERVATION (DROP-IN)

All Ages

Monday, February 20

2:00 - 2:45 p.m.

We bring the zoo to you! Ten animals will be here including

both mammals and reptiles up close and personal. Everyone will have fun learning and personally experiencing these unique animals from around the world.



PLAY TO LEARN WITH DuPAGE CHILDREN'S MUSEUM *R*

Ages up to 6 years and their families

Thursday, February 23

10:00 am – Noon

AND

Monday, March 20

5:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Join this informal play and learn setting as

the DuPage

Children's

Museum

brings their

interactive portable exhibits to BPL.

Children and caregivers enjoy the museum's portable exhibits and learn hands-on STEM projects that can be done at home. In addition, community support resources will be provided.



MIND MATH *R*

Grades 1-3

Wednesdays, February 22 & March 22

4:15 – 5:00 p.m.

The program uses the abacus as a tool to train kids to do calculations mentally. This program is hosted by ALOHA Math of Bloomington.

DOODLEBUGS *R*

2-3 years old with caregiver

Monday, February 27

11:00-11:30 a.m.

This is a special art class just for toddlers and parents. Little fingers will experiment with painting, gluing, sticking, and creating, while developing fine motor skills.

MUSIC & MOVEMENT *R*

3 years-Grade K

Tuesday, February 28

1:00-1:30 p.m.

Come for a fun filled half hour of musical exploration through song, dance, movement activities, and instrument play. Caregivers and siblings are asked to remain outside the program.

EARLY LITERACY APP NIGHT (DROP-IN)

All Ages

Tuesday, March 7

6:30-8:00 p.m.

Stop by the Youth Services desk and discover free early literacy apps on our iPads. Play around with new ways to learn letters, play games, and enjoy learning.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY, DR. SEUSS! *R*

Grades K-2

Saturday, March 4

1:00-2:30 p.m.

Join us to celebrate Dr.

Seuss's birthday with *If I Ran*

The Circus, crafts, games, and a birthday treat!



FOCUS ON FUNDAMENTALS *R*

Grades K-1

Mondays, March 6 - April 17

4:15-5:00 p.m.

Join us for a fun twist on essential skills. We'll focus on everyday skills that prove essential to a successful school year—listening, following directions, and more. There will be no class March 27.

READING TO ROVER *R*

Grades K-5

Saturdays, March 11, 18, & 25

10:00 – 11:30 a.m.

Children will have the opportunity to read to special therapy dogs. This stress-free, non-judgmental environment allows children to build confidence in their reading. To reserve your time, call (630) 924-2740 or stop by the YS Department.

McNULTY IRISH DANCERS (DROP-IN)

All Ages

Sunday, March 12

2:00 - 2:45 p.m.

Celebrate St. Patrick's Day with the McNulty Irish Dancers. Young dancers entertain with traditional Irish dance and music.



CELEBRATE ALL THE THINGS! *R*

Grades 3-5

Monday, March 13

6:00-8:00 p.m.

Come make a card, banner, or other decoration to celebrate birthdays, holidays, Mother's Day...anything!

LEPRECHAUN STORIES *R*

Friday, March 17

All Ages

10:30-11:00 a.m.

It's St. Patrick's Day! Join us for this special family storytime in a world full of leprechauns, and everyone wears green for the day!



STORYTIMES

Preschoolers of all ages can join us for a storytime. We provide age-appropriate interactive fun with stories, music, sign language, and more. Each program runs for six weeks. Spring Storytimes begin the week of March 6 and end the week of April 17. There will be no storytimes the week of March 27 - 31 due to Spring Break.

Registration is required for the following storytimes:

Romper Rhymes (3-15 months): Thursdays, 9:45 - 10:30 a.m.

Budding Readers (16-23 months): Thursdays, 11:00 - 11:30 a.m.

Time for 2s (24-36 months): Wednesdays, 10:00 - 10:30 a.m.

Preschool Storytime (Ages 3-5): Mondays, 1:15 - 2:00 p.m.

OR Tuesdays, 10:30 - 11:15 a.m.

The following stories are drop-in:

Family Storytime (All Ages): Fridays, 10:30 - 11:00 a.m.

Spring Break Programs

**OPEN TO
ALL AGES!**

DROP-IN MOVIE

Monday, March 27

1:00 - 2:30 p.m.

Enjoy the matinee with some popcorn! Children 8 and under must be accompanied by an adult. Movie to be announced in March.

BUTTON, BUTTON, MAKE YOUR OWN BUTTON (DROP-IN)

Wednesday, March 29

11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Stop by and make a button with our button machine. We'll have many to choose from. Support your favorite Chicago sports team or make another fun design!

DROP-IN LEGO

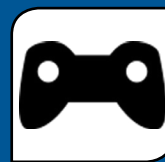
Thursday, March 30

11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Legos, Legos, Legos...drop in during the day and bring your imagination to build with the library's Lego collection.



TEENSCENE



Registration is required for some teen programs. Register at the Adult Reference Desk, online, or by phone at (630) 924-2730.

R - Registration required
Drop-In - No registration required

PROGRAMS

TEEN GAME NIGHT (DROP-IN)

2nd Thursday of the month
 Thursdays, February 9 & March 9
 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Join other teens for gaming on our big screens or a tabletop! Have a dance-off using our Kinect, start your own Rock Band, race in Mario Kart 8, battle in Super Smash Bros., or discover your new favorite tabletop or board game!

OTAKU TUESDAY *R*

4th Tuesday of the month
 Tuesdays, February 28 & March 28
 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.

Watch anime, make some crafts, and learn about Japanese culture. Otaku Tuesdays are perfect for die-hard fans and newbies alike.

TAB: TEEN ADVISORY BOARD *R*

3rd Thursday of the month
 Thursdays, February 16
 & March 16
 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.



Make your voices heard! Join us monthly to meet over pizza to help plan programs for teens, make decisions for the library's teen space, play games, promote the library, earn volunteer hours, and more!

ACT & SAT PRACTICE TESTS *R*

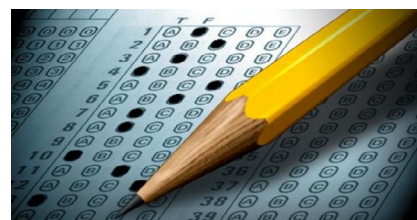
ACT - Saturday, February 25

10:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

SAT - Saturday, March 18

12:00 - 5:00 p.m.

Stressing about taking the ACT or SAT? Take a full-length practice test to ward off test



day jitters and see how you may score on the big test. Experience first-hand what test day will be like! A representative from C2 Education will provide a proctored practice test and contact you with scores and analyzed results.

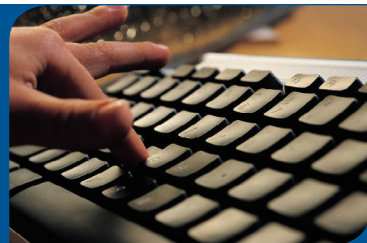
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COMPUTER CLASSES



TO REGISTER FOR A COMPUTER CLASS, PLEASE CONTACT THE COMPUTER SERVICES DEPARTMENT
IN PERSON, BY PHONE (630) 924-2767, OR ONLINE AT WWW.MYBPL.ORG.

Getting Started: Word Processing

Thursday, February 16, 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.

Instructor: Charlie

This class will be aimed at those with little or no experience using Microsoft Word or any word processors. Topics such as creating and saving files, formatting, and editing documents will be covered. There will be time available for questions and specific problems students have encountered.

Using Android Phones

Monday, February 20, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Instructor: Sean

Learn how to install and manage your apps, customize your phone using settings and widget installations, take advantage of expandable storage, use Google tools, and much more!

Getting Started: Your Files

Monday, March 6, 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.

Instructor: Sean

Every time a picture is taken, a letter is written, or a song is purchased on your computer a file goes somewhere. Learn about where these files are, how to find them, copy, delete, and restore them. A great class for anyone with a lot of personal information or pictures they're worried about losing or moving to a new computer.

Getting Started: Word Processing 2

Thursday, March 9, 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.

Instructor: Charlie

This class covers how to use many of the more advanced options available. Lecture will include using outlines, adding images, and other formatting/design topics.

Beginners Internet Course: Cloud Storage

Monday, March 13, 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.

Instructor: Sean

Internet based or cloud tools offer more and more opportunities for computer users. One of the most versatile resources is cloud storage. Students will learn to use one of the many options available to either work collaboratively with other people, keep resources available to themselves anywhere in the world, and/or provide a safety net in case of computer failure.

Digital Cameras

Thursday, March 16, 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.

Instructor: Charlie

This class will give students a clearer understanding of the terms, features, and reviews associated with digital cameras as well as thoroughly covering taking, transferring, and printing pictures. Students are welcome to bring their own cameras to class to personalize the lessons learned.

Get Organized with OneNote

Monday, March 27, 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.

Instructor: Sean

Learn to use OneNote for collaborative projects, student note taking, or personal organization. It can be used on your phone, tablet, or computer, and makes it so you can access your files from any location. We'll cover the basics of getting started with this free product.

Digital Archiving

Thursday, March 30, 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.

Instructor: Charlie

Learn to convert VHS tapes, 35mm slides, documents, and photos into digital files. Great for record keeping and making it easier to share memories.