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Celebrate National Library Week

Celebrate National Library Week with a whole month of library giveaways, activities, and more! Show your library love with our collectible buttons, discover our creative programs for all ages, and join our Transform Yourself Challenge!

During our month long Transform Yourself Challenge, strive to read and conquer library challenges that will help you discover, create, and enrich your life. For every book or challenge submitted, you'll receive an entry into a drawing for a \$25 Amazon gift card! Bloomington cardholders can sign up in person or online - www.mybpl.org/nlw.

April 2017

FREE COMIC BOOK DAY (DROP-IN)

Saturday, May 6
9:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Celebrate Free Comic Book Day at the library! Create super crafts, come in costume/cosplay for our green screen photo booth, and pick up some free comics (3 per person, while supplies last)! Thank you to Dreamland Comics (1415 W. Schaumburg Road, Schaumburg - dreamlandcomics.com) for the generous comic book donations!



Exam Cram (Drop -In)

Tuesday, May 30, Wednesday, May 31,
Thursday, June 1
3:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Open to all high school students (Grades 9-12)

Get ready for finals at the library's Exam Cram! We'll have group & quiet study areas, Wi-Fi, and computers. We'll provide caffeine, snacks, and opportunities to destress - you provide the brain power! Pizza served at 7:00 p.m.



Group Study Room Now Available!

BPL now has a group study room available for study sessions, Skype conferencing, and more! This room can be reserved two weeks in advance for two hour increments. You do not need to be a BPL cardholder to reserve. To reserve this room, please call the Reference Desk at (630) 924 - 2730.



LIBRARYEVENTS

2017 Summer Concert Series

All concerts are held from noon -1:00 p.m. in the library gazebo.

Dick Diamond & the Dusters

Friday, June 9

Dick Diamond and the Dusters is a concept of a fictitious nightclub singer with his backup band of eccentric and over-the-top 70's characters. They combine comedy, stellar musicianship, outlandish wardrobe, antics, audience interaction, clever marketing, an elaborate stage show, and a timeless catalog of memorable songs.



Prairie Station

Friday, July 14

Prairie Station is a high energy, family friendly, modern country band.

They play everything you love to hear, from today's hits to the classics that you just can't help but sing along to!



DuPage Band

Friday, August 11

An experienced, professional cover band dedicated to pure entertainment. From the soulful sounds of Motown to today's most popular adult contemporary and alternative hits, DuPage Band plays songs that draw audiences of all ages. The band's mission is "Everyone get up and dance," so get ready to dance!



Food for Fines

April 1 - 30

For every non-perishable food item or personal health and hygiene item donated, library staff will remove \$1 worth of fines from your record. All items collected will be given to Bloomingdale Township Food Pantry, which distributes to needy individuals and families in our community.

- Canned foods
- Dry beans, rice, pasta
- Packaged dinners (ex. macaroni & cheese)
- Cereal & crackers
- Paper towels
- Formula, baby wipes, & other infant care items
- Deodorants, lotions, etc.
- Toothbrushes, toothpaste, floss
- Feminine products

Food for Fines does not apply to lost or damaged items, fines owed to another library, or associated collection and processing fees.



Movie Matinee (Drop-In)

We'll supply the popcorn! Come enjoy these new releases at BPL's Movie Matinee and enter for a chance to win a copy of that day's movie on DVD. A movie giveaway will be held following the conclusion of the movie and you must be present to win. No registration required!

A Dog's Purpose

Wednesday, April 26

1:00 - 3:00 p.m.

A dog looks to discover his purpose in life over the course of several lifetimes and owners.

Starring: Britt Robertson, Josh Gad, and Dennis Quaid

Rated: PG / Running Time 120 minutes



La La Land

Wednesday, May 24

1:00 - 3:00 p.m.

A jazz pianist falls for an aspiring actress in Los Angeles.

Starring Ryan Gosling and Emma Stone

Rated: PG-13 / Running Time 128 minutes



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.

The Bible and the Ancient Near East *R*

Monday, April 10 - 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

For over 2,000 years, the Hebrew Bible has been considered sacred scripture by Jews and Christians. It also contains traditions held in high regard by Muslims. One of the most influential books ever written, it is also one of the most important artifacts of the ancient Middle East. In this lecture, we explore the Hebrew Bible, and trace the new discoveries and revolutionary approaches to biblical scholarship that have emerged through the research of organizations like the Oriental Institute. Presented by Joey Cross, a Ph.D. student in Egyptology and Hebrew Bible studies at the University of Chicago.

College: Finding the Best Fit *R*

Tuesday, April 11 - 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.

On average, college students are taking 6 years to get a 4-year degree. We will discuss ways to beat that average! We review important factors in preparing for the college search. You'll learn new ways to explore colleges for "fit" and how to engage your student in the process. This seminar, for parents and current high school sophomores and juniors, covers selecting college majors, scholarship searches, and ACT preparation.



HeartSaver CPR Training *R*

Saturday, April 15 - 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Learn CPR basics from local firefighter and paramedic, Jeff Skelley, owner of My Life Saver CPR. This hands-on class designed for the general public will cover adult, child, and infant CPR and choking, and how to use an Automated External Defibrillator for heart attacks. The cost is \$40 for the three hour session which includes the purchase of the required study guide. Each participant that completes the course will be mailed a CPR certification card after the class. Please register for this course in the Business Office. For questions regarding this program, please call (630) 924-2730.

Discover the Modern Benefits of Ancient Self-Healing *R*

Tuesday, April 18 - 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Join us and learn these simple techniques to help heal ourselves by understanding the energy channels (meridians) in our bodies:

- Simple stretches that open, strengthen, and heal internal organs
- Accumulation and circulation of energy through integrating all 12 meridian channels
- Release of stress through Tapping, an Acupressure Technique

Money Smart Week

Demystifying the Estate Planning Process: What You Need to Know to Be an Educated Consumer *R*

Monday, April 24 - 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Creating an estate plan can be an emotional topic. It is difficult to address your own mortality and talk about what will happen to your loved ones when you are no longer here. Learn the basics of creating an estate plan and why it's necessary for your family's security. Presented by the Chicago Estate Planning Council, a nonprofit organization whose mission is to educate and increase public understanding of the need for competent estate planning.

Right-Sizing Your Retirement Plan *R*

Tuesday, April 25 - 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Christine Trapp will discuss how to make the most of your retirement by designing a plan customized just for you, including how to:

- Determine the lifestyle that is right for you
- Create a realistic plan to manage your lifestyle needs
- Understand how investment strategies can be designed with the goal of generating your "retirement paycheck"

BOOK DISCUSSION GROUPS

Selections are available at the Circulation Desk one month in advance of the discussion. Please call the Reference Desk with questions.

MONDAY NIGHT PAGE TURNERS

Monday, April 17
7:30 p.m.

The Third Coast: When Chicago Built the American Dream
by Tom Dya

Monday, May 15
7:30 p.m.

The Pearl That Broke Its Shell
by Nadia Hashimi

HISTORICAL BOOK GROUP

Tuesday, April 4
10:00 a.m.

Trials of the Earth: The True Story of a Pioneer Woman
by Mary Hamilton

Tuesday, May 2
10:00 a.m.

Dead Wake: The Last Crossing of the Lusitania
by Erik Larson

MYSTERY MAVENS

Wednesday, April 26
7:30 p.m.

Bad Country
by CB McKenzie

Wednesday, May 24
7:30 p.m.

The Whites
by Richard Price

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Growing and Using Mushrooms *R*

Monday, May 1 - 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.

Like mushrooms? Ever thought about growing your own? This presentation will show you how to grow your very own mushroom harvest. It will also show you how to preserve your mushroom harvest and how to make the most of these culinary treasures. Presented by gardener Mark Lyons.



DIY Make & Take: Teacup Toadstool Fairy Gardens *R*

Tuesday, May 2 - 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Fairy gardens add a whimsical touch to your decor, both outside and in. Learn how to create a miniature Teacup Toadstool Fairy Garden that you can display indoors or outdoors. Examples will be on display for you to make and take home. You will also learn how to search Pinterest for more fairy garden ideas!

Drafting a "Bulletproof" Will *R*

Monday, May 8 - 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Learn the details which make a will harder to contest: the required legal language, necessary provisions, and other options on how to avoid a probate court proceeding, including steps to take to make your family aware of any unique provisions that might be challenged. Presented by the Law Offices of John Pankau.

Madam President: The Secret Presidency of Edith Wilson *R*

Tuesday, May 9 - 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

After President Woodrow Wilson suffered a paralyzing stroke in the fall of 1919, First Lady Edith Wilson began to handle the day-to-day responsibilities of the Executive Office. Mrs. Wilson had little formal education and yet, in the tenuous peace following World War I, Mrs. Wilson assumed the authority of the office of the president for 17 months, becoming, as one senator put it, "the presidentress who had fulfilled the dream of suffragettes by changing her title from First Lady to Acting First Man." Presented by the author, William Hazelgrove.

Wearable Technology *R*

Monday, May 22 - 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.

We'll take a look at current wearable technology such as the Apple Watch and Fitbit and consider the potential future impact that wearables will have on how we interact with our environment. Presented by Mike Gershbein, owner of Very Smart People.



ONGOING PROGRAMS

GENEALOGY CLUB (Drop-In)

Thursday, April 27 & Thursday, May 25 - 6:30 - 8:45 p.m.

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

GAMES FOR GROWN UPS (Drop-In)

Thursday, April 13 & Thursday, May 11 - 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)

Tuesday, April 11 & Tuesday, May 9 - 11:00 a.m.

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

DOWNLOADABLE RESOURCES *R*

Thursday, April 20 & Thursday, May 25 - 4:00 - 7:30 p.m.

We'll have a librarian available to get you started using eBooks, audiobooks, and digital magazines. Please contact the Reference Desk to schedule a 45-minute appointment.

GREAT DECISIONS *R*

Wednesday, April 19 & Wednesday, May 17 - 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.

Tai Chi *R*

Friday, April 7 & Friday, May 5 - 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.





KIDSCORNER



Some programs require registration as noted. You may register for programs online at mybpl.org, at the Youth Services Reference Desk, or call (630) 924-2740. Please have your library card when you register.

***R* - Registration Required**

Registration for Bloomington residents begins Monday, March 27 and for non-residents one week before each program begins.

Drop-In – No Registration Required

LEGO MADNESS (DROP-IN)

Grades K-6
Mondays, April 3 and May 1
6:00 - 7:00 p.m.
Come challenge yourself and learn new techniques with the monthly theme, or stretch your imagination with free building.

STORYTIME WITH A SURPRISE AT STRATFORD SQUARE MALL (DROP-IN)

All Ages
Thursdays, April 6 and May 4
11:00 - 11:45 a.m.
Join us for a themed storytime the first Thursday of every month at Stratford Square Mall (meet by Café 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, April 6 and May 4
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, AND COOKIES AT PANERA BREAD (DROP-IN)

All Ages
Monday, April 10 & May 8
9:30 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.
Location: Panera Bread, 370 W. Army Trail Rd, Enjoy a special themed storytime and nibble on some yummy cookies and milk from Panera.

National Library Week (DROP-IN)

Guess That Shredded Book Contest!

All Ages

April 9 - April 15

Join the fun as Youth Services continues a popular tradition ... guessing which books have been, oh my, shredded by the librarians! Use your magnifying glass to identify the title and author of each tattered book. If there's more than one correct guess, each savvy sleuth will be entered into a drawing.

SPRINKLEBEANS SCIENCE *R*

Grades 3-5
Wednesday, April 12
4:15 - 5:00 p.m.
Come find out just what it takes to make jelly beans and sprinkles...learn the science of how the candies get made, and even try making your own! Attendees will try "Belly Flops" beans and take home homemade rainbow sprinkles.



SILLY EGGSTRAVAGANZA

STORYTIME *R*
All ages
Friday, April 14
10:30 - 11:00 a.m.
Hop on in for some super silly stories about bunnies and other Spring things. The whole family is invited for some "eggstra" special activities and crafts after story time. We "hop" to see you there!

EARLY LEARNING KICKSTART *R*

Ages 3-5
Wednesday, April 19 and May 17
1:00 - 1:30 p.m.
Get early learners off to a great start. This program begins with basic letters in reading and is designed to build an academic foundation and a love of learning. Children begin to connect words, learn letter sounds, and work with pencil skills. This program is presented by the Bloomington Kumon Center.

DOODLEBUGS *R*

2-3 years old with caregiver
Monday, April 24
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.

Money Smart Week for Kids *R*

Grades K-2
Monday, April 24
4:15 - 5:00 p.m.
The Bloomington Bank & Trust will teach children to be money smart. Participants will receive a gift to take home.



MIND MATH *R*

Grades 1-3
Wednesday, April 26
4:15 - 5:00 p.m.
This mental math program is a complete brain exercise for kids that triggers their whole brain development. The program uses the abacus as a tool to train kids to do calculations mentally. This program is hosted by ALOHA Math of Bloomington. Please note there will be no Mind Math in May.



MUSIC AND MOVEMENT *R*

Ages 3 - Grade K

Tuesday, April 25

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.



POTTY PARTY *R*

Ages 1-4 with caregiver

Tuesday, May 2

10:30 - 11:00 a.m.

No more diapers, it's time to use the potty! Toddlers of all stages of potty training are invited to a party with stories and songs to encourage and motivate potty training.

CRAFT EXTRAVAGANZA (DROP-IN)

All ages

Tuesday, May 2

3:00 - 5:00 p.m.

Join us and let your creative side loose. We will have a variety of craft kits available for you. Drop in anytime during the program. Children 4 and under must be accompanied by a caregiver.



I'M A BIG BROTHER OR SISTER *R*

Ages 1-5 with caregiver

Tuesday, May 9

10:30 - 11:00 a.m.

Calling all big brothers and sisters, congratulations on your promotion! Join us for some stories and songs about the new arrival in your home.



MESSY MOTHER'S DAY (DROP-IN)

All Ages

Thursday, May 11

4:00 - 4:45 p.m.

We will make some fun "mom-themed" crafts, perfect for a Mother's Day gift. All family members welcome!

TUESDAYS WITH TOYS (DROP-IN)

Ages 3 months - 5 years with a caregiver

Tuesdays, May 16 and May 23

10:00 - 11:30 a.m.

Tuesdays with Toys is an informal program giving parents with small children the opportunity to meet and talk with other parents, while children play with toys and games. Toys and games are most appropriate for children ages 3 months to 5 years.

HOW DOES YOUR GARDEN GROW? *R*

Grades 1-5

Wednesday, May 17

4:00 - 5:00 p.m.

Help kickstart our summer garden at our Spring Planting Event! Join us to plant vegetables in our garden and use the leftover seeds to take home a garden of your own.



STORYBOOK TRAIL

Back for Spring! Read *MOVE!* by Steve Jenkins and Robin Page. Take a walk or ride your bike along the Storybook Trail at Circle Park and enjoy the outdoors while reading. This family friendly trail is co-sponsored by the Bloomingdale Public Library and the Bloomingdale Park District. Circle Park is located at 163 Fairfield Way, Bloomingdale IL.

Drop-In Storytimes

All Ages

Family Storytime

Fridays, April 7, April 21

10:30 - 11:00 a.m.

Note: April 14 will be the Eggstravanza Storytime and registration is required.





TEENSCENE



PROGRAMS

Open to 7th grade and up unless otherwise noted. 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

TEEN GAME NIGHT (DROP-IN)

2nd Thursday of the month

April 13, May 11

6:00 - 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!



TAB: TEEN ADVISORY BOARD *R*

3rd Thursday of the month

April 20, May 18

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!

CUSTOM COFFEE CUP CRAFT *R*

Wednesday, April 5

7:00 - 8:30 p.m.

Decorate your own custom coffee cup at the Library using Sharpie markers. All materials will be provided, but if you have a coffee cup you love, bring it along to decorate!



TEEN BOOK CLUB: *THE MOTHERLESS OVEN* *R*

Wednesday, April 12

6:30 - 8:00 p.m.

Offsite location: Starbucks (170 E. Lake St., Bloomington)

Discuss the graphic novel, *The Motherless Oven*, a story where children make their parents, there are no birthdays—only death days, it rains knives, and your household appliances have souls.



CAKE IN A CUP *R*

Wednesday, April 19

7:00 - 8:15 p.m.

Make your very own personal cake in a cup. All ingredients and materials will be supplied. Don't forget to bring your sweet-tooth!

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GALAXY IN A BOTTLE *R*

Wednesday, May 10

7:00 - 8:15 p.m.

Take a piece of the galaxy home with you! Create your very own galaxy in a bottle. All materials will be provided.

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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.

iPhone Basics

Monday, April 10, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.

Instructor: Sean

Learn to download and run apps, organize your icons, configure your settings, find and use your pictures, play your music, synchronize your phone with other devices, and much more.

Beginners Internet Course: Email Attachments & More

Thursday, April 13, 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

Instructor: Charlie

Students take the next step with email, learning how to attach files, view attachments sent to them, organize email into folders, work with an address book, and adjust the options of their accounts to personalize and speed up working with their email.

Online Communications

Monday, April 17, 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

Instructor: Sean

Learn different options for connecting over the internet. Skype, Google Voice, Internet based phone services (e.g. Magic Jack), and instant messaging systems will be discussed.

Getting Started: Windows 10

Thursday, April 20, 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.

Instructor: Charlie

This class provides a basic understanding of how to use Windows. Topics such as using the desktop, settings, manipulating windows, understanding files, and installing new programs will be covered. This class also discusses the visual changes associated with Windows 10.

Excel Formulas

Monday, May 8, 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

Instructor: Sean

This class focuses on all aspects of creating formulas in Excel. This includes basic techniques used and common pitfalls to more advanced ideas involving conditional formulas and linking. Participants are expected to be comfortable with basic Excel concepts but much of the class will be allotted for questions and in-class practice drills. (Having taken Introduction to Excel, or equivalent experience, is recommended.)

Computer Safety

Thursday, May 11, 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Instructor: Charlie

Learn practical and inexpensive ways to protect your computer against data loss, virus infection, and online scams. Software solutions, backup techniques, and safe Internet behavior will all be discussed.

Smart TVs

Monday, May 22, 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.

Instructor: Sean

In this class we will discuss different features and services available for modern TVs. Students will learn how to stream directly from the internet, connect to your computer, or easily display their pictures or movies.

Online Technology Classes

Didn't find what you were looking for? Does your schedule conflict with our times? Explore our online technology classes with your BPL library card at www.mybpl.org/onlinelearning.

Lynda.com - Video courses on graphic/web design, photography, video production, mobile device tips, and much more!

Gale Courses - Six-week long courses taught by college instructors and experts in the field. Tech courses include Adobe & Microsoft applications, web design, computer fundamentals, and computer programming.

Learning Express Library - Learn to use the most popular computer programs, such as Microsoft Office and Adobe Photoshop.