

Bloomingtondale Public Library

April/May Events

Coming Soon - the BPL Makerspace!

In early April, the Bloomingtondale Public Library will begin construction on an exciting new area in our lower level - the new Makerspace! This process will take the current craft room in Youth Services and transform it into a new, flexible space able to accommodate current and new crafting/maker equipment with space to grow. This area is designed for all ages with adjustable height tables and different levels of equipment, all in a fun space to allow your creativity to flow.

As we get closer to our opening in late summer, we'll be looking for your input on what types of things you'd like to learn to do in the space, recommendations on future equipment, what hours would be useful, and more.

Look for more information about this creative new space on our website at www.mybpl.org/makerspace, in our monthly eNews, and at the library!



National Library Week: April 19-25

Celebrate your library during National Library Week! Show your library love with our collectible pins and discover everything we have to offer:

- Computer classes, 3D printing, and online learning
- eBooks, audiobooks, and streaming movies and music
- Museum passes for local attractions
- Programs for all ages
- STEM and music kits, video games, board games, and more!



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CANCELLED

**FREE
COMIC
BOOK
-DAY-**

ELA (English Language Acquisition)/ Clases de inglés

Wednesdays & Fridays, May 26 – August 3
9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Free English classes are offered by College of DuPage. Testing and registration is May 27 and 29; first day of class is June 3. For registration and additional registration dates and class information or questions, please call **College of DuPage** at (630) 942-3697.

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Monday - Thursday: 9:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Friday & Saturday: 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Sunday: 1:00 - 5:00 p.m.

Library Closed Sunday, April 12 in observance of Easter
Library Closed Sundays for summer beginning May 24
Closed Monday, May 25 in observance of Memorial Day

Adult Programs



Registration required for some adult programs (noted with 📅). Register at the Adult Reference Desk, online, or by phone at (630) 924-2730.

APRIL

📅 Money Smart Week - Beyond Basics: Wills & Trusts

Tuesday, April 7 | 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

In this seminar, attorney John Pankau will go beyond the basics of wills and trusts and expand on the topic to include specialty trusts, such as special needs trusts, testamentary trusts, ATF compliant NFA trusts, pet trusts, IRA trusts, grandchildren trusts, and spendthrift trusts.

📅 Book Club Binge

Monday, April 13 | 1:30 – 2:30 p.m. or 7:30 – 8:30 p.m.

Readers unite! Join us for book recommendations, refreshments, trivia, and book group services at the library. Register for either the afternoon or evening Book Club Binge.



📅 US-Cuba Relations 1898-2018: What They Didn't Teach Us in School

Tuesday, April 14 | 6:30 – 8:00 p.m.

Learn how American business interests dominated US-Cuba relations from 1898 until the Cuban Revolution of 1956-59. Presented by Walt Zlotow, a member of the West Suburban Faith-Based Peace Coalition.

📅 Life on the Mississippi River

Tuesday, April 21 | 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Outdoor enthusiast John Lynn is back to share the story of America's great river as experienced by a modern-day Huck Finn while canoeing solo all 2,300 miles down the "Mighty Mississippi" from its source at Lake Itasca in Minnesota to the Gulf of Mexico.

📅 Silver & Gold: What Are Your Coins and Precious Metals Worth?

Wednesday, April 29 | 2:00 – 3:30 p.m.

AFTERNOON
PROGRAM!

Dave Ekstrom, a lifelong coin collector, member of the American Numismatic Association, and retired teacher will offer a presentation on coin collecting and gold and silver values. Get a free appraisal of your coins and gold or silver items after the presentation (this does not include precious stones).

COMING SOON

Lewis & Clark's Trail (Outbound in 1804 and 1805)

Tuesday, June 2 | 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Looking for Earth Elsewhere

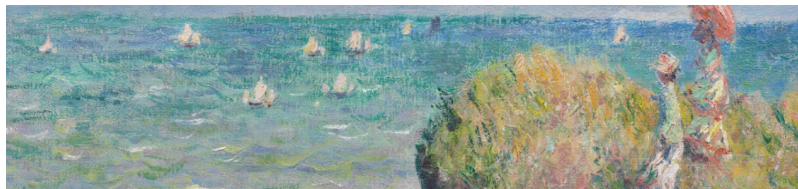
Monday, June 8 | 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

MAY

📅 Travel Planning: Let's Go to Europe

Tuesday, May 5 | 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Discover the many new options for European travel including apartment rentals, new train/air offerings, and using the internet to research and customize your travel. Travel enthusiast Gene Flynn will discuss both short and focused travel and longer trips covering several regions.



📅 Claude Monet and the Story of Impressionism

Monday, May 11 | 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

In this lecture by art historian Jeff Mishur, learn about Monet's career and get ready for the upcoming exhibit, *Monet and Chicago*, at the Art Institute on display May 10 – September 7, 2020.

📅 Pain-Free Back: The Gokhale Method

Monday, May 18 | 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

The Gokhale Method is a posture modification method. In a free workshop led by local Gokhale Method practitioner Chris Pedersen, we will learn some simple tips to get started on our journey to eliminating structural pain.

📅 Meditation: Dealing with the Stress of Modern Life

Tuesday, May 19 | 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

During this engaging meditation workshop, Zelma Chamerlain, M.Ed, will teach us a simple time-tested technique to reduce stress and regain focus.

ONGOING ADULT PROGRAMS

Bloomington Seniors' Club (Drop-In)

Tuesdays, April 14 & May 12 | 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

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

📅 Great Decisions

Wednesdays, April 15 & May 20 | 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.

Genealogy Club (Drop-In)

Wednesdays, April 15 & May 20 | 6:30 – 8:45 p.m.

A Local History librarian provides internet and archival genealogy instruction and research support. Members share ideas and meet other researchers, receive help with questions and brick wall dilemmas, and share genealogy finds.





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DROP-IN MOVIES

We'll supply the popcorn! Come enjoy a movie with us at BPL's Drop-In Movie and enter for a chance to win a copy of that day's movie on DVD.

Movie giveaway will be held following the conclusion of the movie and you must be present to win.



Charlie's Angels

Rated: PG-13

Wednesday,
April 22
1:00 – 3:30 p.m.



Harriet

Rated: PG-13

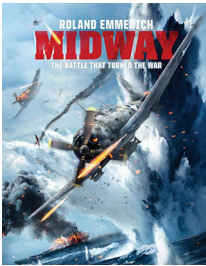
Friday,
April 24
1:00 – 3:30 p.m.



The Good Liar

Rated: R

Tuesday,
April 28
6:30 – 8:00 p.m.



Midway

Rated: PG-13

Wednesday,
May 13
1:00 – 3:30 p.m.

Knives Out

Rated: PG-13

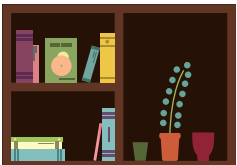
Friday,
May 15
1:00 – 3:30 p.m.



A Beautiful Day in the Neighborhood

Rated: PG

Tuesday,
May 26
6:30 – 8:00 p.m.



book discussion groups

Selections are available at the Circulation Desk one month in advance of the discussion.

If you have any questions, please call the Reference Desk at (630) 924-2730.

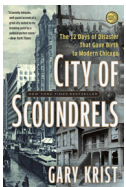
Historical Book Discussion



The American Plague: *The Untold Story of Yellow Fever, the Epidemic that Shaped Our History*

by Holly Caldwell Crosby

Tuesday, April 7 | 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.



City of Scoundrels: *The Twelve Days of Disaster that Gave Birth to Modern Chicago*

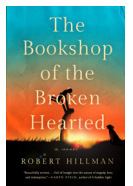
by Gary Krist

Tuesday, May 5 | 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Monday Night Page Turners

The Bookshop of the Broken Hearted by Robert Hillman

Monday, April 20 | 7:30 – 8:30 p.m.



Things That Fall From the Sky by Selja Ahava

Monday, May 18 | 7:30 – 8:30 p.m.



TEEN TERRITORY



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

Teen Programs are open to 7th-12 graders unless otherwise noted.

📅 Mini Plushies

Wednesday, April 1 | 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

CANCELLED

Make a mini plushie! Stitch and stuff your favorite animals to create fuzzy, felt plushies. No sewing experience required.

3D Print Club (Drop-In)

Wednesday, April 22 | 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Are you curious about 3D printing? Do you want to learn how to create your own designs and print them out? Join us to create your own Tinkercad account, learn the basics of 3D printing and design, and even get to see the 3D printer in action. No experience is necessary!



📅 Lucky Star Jar

Wednesday, April 29 | 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Practice your origami skills by creating a colorful jar of lucky stars!

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📅 SAT Practice Test

Saturday, May 16 | 9:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Stressing about taking the 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. Don't forget to bring a couple of pencils, your calculator, and a snack to eat!

📅 Washi Tape Picture Frame

Wednesday, May 27 | 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Choose from different washi tape colors and patterns to make a unique picture frame. Personalize your new frame by filing it with your favorite photo or inspirational quote!

Want to be a **volunteer**?

See page 8 for details on volunteering at the library this summer!



Join us for a movie at BPL! You can even enter for a chance to win the movie! Movie giveaway held following the conclusion of the movie and you must be present to win. (Drop-In)



Jumanji: The Next Level

Wednesday, April 8
6:00 – 8:00 p.m.



Dolittle

Wednesday, May 13
6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

ONGOING TEEN PROGRAMS

Teen Game Night (Drop-In)

Thursdays, 6:00 – 8:30 p.m.
April 9 & 23, May 14 & 28
6:00 – 8:30 p.m.

Join other teens for gaming on our big screens or a tabletop! Check out the Nintendo Switch, race in Mario Kart 8, brawl in Super Smash Bros., battle in Overwatch, or discover your new favorite tabletop or board game!

Tabletop Gaming Club (Drop-In)

Thursdays, 6:00 – 8:30 p.m.
April 2 & 16, May 7 & 21

Join other teens for tabletop gaming and some snacks! Run your D&D campaign or duel in your favorite collectible card game. Players of all games are welcome to attend.

TAB: Teen Advisory Board (Drop-In)

Wednesday, May 20
6:30 – 8:00 p.m.

Make your voices heard! Join us 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!





Computer Services

Registration for computer classes is not required but is recommended to reserve seating and to make materials available. Register at the Adult Reference Desk, online, or by phone at (630) 924-2730.

Getting Started: Windows 10

Thursday, April 2 | 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Instructor: Charlie

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Get 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 will also discuss the visual changes associated with Windows 10.

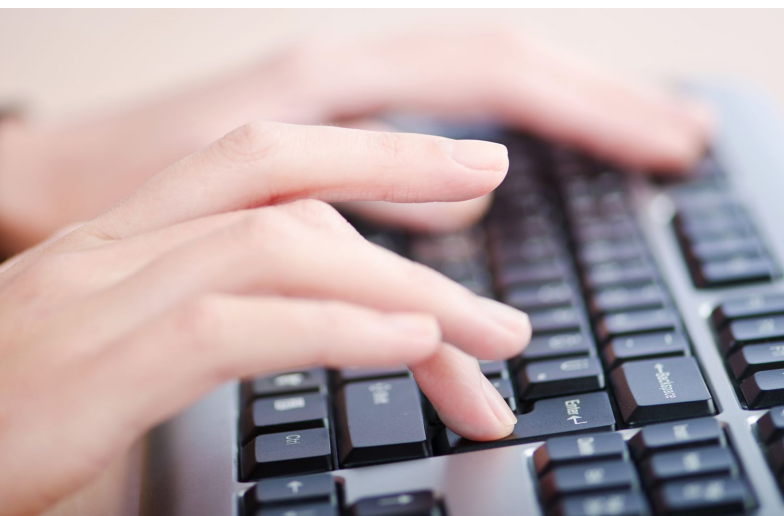
Getting Started: Your Files

Monday, April 6 | 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

Instructor: Sean

CANCELLED

Every time a picture is taken, a letter is written, or a song is purchased on your computer a file goes somewhere. Learn all about where these files are and how to find them, as well as copying, deleting, and restoring them. *A great class for anyone considering moving to a new computer or with a lot of personal information/pictures that could be lost.*



Virus/Spyware Protection

Thursday, April 9 | 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

Instructor: Charlie

Many computer problems are caused by viruses, spyware, pop-ups, ransomware, and other malicious programs; learn about these while discussing ways to avoid and remove them if necessary.

Social Networking

Monday, April 13 | 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

Instructor: Sean

Learn how to create and use accounts with popular social media sites Facebook and Twitter. An emphasis will be placed on popular functions such as finding friends using your email account, adding pictures, searching topics, and much more. Privacy and personal safety issues will also be discussed.

Internet Calling

Monday, April 20 | 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

Instructor: Sean

Examine 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.

Get Organized with OneNote

Thursday, April 30 | 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

Instructor: Salvador

OneNote is great for collaborative projects, student note taking, and 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 Photography

Thursday, May 7 | 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

Instructor: Salvador

Understand the terms, features, and reviews associated with digital cameras as well as taking, transferring, and printing pictures. We will also learn techniques for improving photography. Students are welcome to bring their own cameras to class to personalize the lessons learned.

Cutting the Cord

Saturday, May 16 | 2:00 – 3:30 p.m.

Instructor: Sean

Explore entertainment options beyond paying for cable. We will discuss how to connect your TV or other devices to streaming services, what options are out there to replace or improve on current service, and how to determine what's right for you.

Introduction to Access

Thursday, May 14 | 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

Instructor: Salvador

This class will provide a basic understanding of using Microsoft Access. Topics covered include creating Tables, Queries, Forms, and Reports.

Online Garage Sales

Monday, May 18 | 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

Instructor: Sean

Do your spring cleaning online! Come learn about eBay and other popular websites/apps that help you buy and sell items. Creating accounts, shopping, and listing items will be discussed along with payment methods and possible concerns.

RENT-A-TECH

Have a computer question or need help with an online account? Computer Services staff can be reserved for one hour help sessions during select time slots every week.



Contact Computer Services at **(630) 924-2766** or **bdcs@mybpl.org** to schedule an appointment.

Kids' Corner



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📅 STEM Club: Tech Time

Grade 3-6

Thursdays, April 9 and May 14 | 4:15 – 5:00 p.m.

Libraries are more than books - they are a great place to learn technology too! Come get some hands-on time with tech at STEM Club!

Eggstravaganza Storytime (Drop-In)

All Ages

Friday, April 10 | 10:30 – 11:15 a.m.

The family is invited for some eggstra special activities and crafts for this special storytime! We “hop” to see you there!

Storytime, Milk, and Cookies at Panera (Drop-In)

All Ages

Mondays, April 13 and May 11 | 9:30 – 10:15 a.m.

Location: Panera Bread, 370 W. Army Trail Road, Bloomingdale, IL

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

Baby, Let's Make Music (Drop-In)

Ages 0 – 24 months with caregiver

Thursdays, April 16 and 30, May 14 and 28 | 10:30 – 11:00 a.m.

Join us for a parade of fun! We will explore the world of sound using an array of musical instruments.

📅 Sensory Storytime

Ages 3-8 with caregiver

Saturdays, April 18 and May 16 | 10:00 – 10:45 a.m.

An interactive program that can be enjoyed by all children, but is especially designed for children with sensory integration challenges. It combines books, songs, movement, and activities to stimulate multiple senses and promote learning. Please e-mail us at bdys@mybpl.org if your child has needs and interests that we should know to serve them better.

American Girl Party (Drop-In)

Families

Sunday, April 19 | 2:00 – 2:45 p.m.

Come join us for an American Girl Party to celebrate our new American Girl doll circulating collection! There will be a variety of American Girl stations, music, and tea party food!

Coming Soon:

the **American Girl**
Doll Collection

in Youth Services

Come Together (Drop-In)

0-24 months with caregiver

Every Thursday | 10:00 – 11:30 a.m.

Every Thursday meet and chat with other parents & caregivers while your child socializes and explores with hands-on toys.

***Will be offered simultaneously with Baby Tales Storytime when in session.**

Each week we will have coffee, donuts, and snacks available, generously donated by our friends at Bloomingdale Starbucks (170 E Lake Street), Bloomingdale Dunkin' (200 E Lake Street), and the Bloomingdale Public Library.

📅 Full S.T.E.A.M. Ahead

Grades K – 2

Monday, April 20 | 4:15 – 5:00 p.m.

Each month we will incorporate Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math concepts through engaging experiments, activities, and projects. Please register for each class.

📅 I Love Jelly Beans

Grades K-6

Wednesday, April 22 | 4:15 – 5:00 p.m.

Jelly beans are a fun snack in the spring! Come to the library to learn how they are made and do some crafts. We will finish with a taste test of different flavors of jelly beans.



Baby Prom (Drop-In)

Ages 0-3

Friday, May 1 | 10:30 – 11:00 a.m.

It's prom season! Don't let the big kids have all the fun, though. Wear something fancy and bring your little one to the library for some songs, movement, and photos in front of a backdrop! Black-tie onesies are optional.

MAY-ker Mondays (Drop-In)

Grades K-6

Mondays in May | 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Get hyped up for our new makerspace with a series of fun projects!





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Cinco de Mayo Fiesta (Drop-In)

Families

Monday, May 4 | 10:30 – 11:15 a.m.

Let's celebrate Cinco De Mayo the **DAY BEFORE** with stories, games, songs, a craft, and of course, food!

Mother's Day Gifts for Mom! (Drop-In)

Grades K-6

Tuesday, May 5 | 4:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Drop in to make a great crafty gift for that special someone...Mom! Just in time for Mother's Day.

Storytime with a Surprise at Stratford Square Mall (Drop-In)

All Ages

Thursday May 7 | 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

Thursday, May 7 | 3:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Stop by the Youth Services department anytime during craft time to make a fun craft. We'll supply all the materials needed.

📅 Garden Planting Day!

Grades K-6

Saturday, May 9 | 11:00 – 12:00 p.m.

This year's Summer Reading theme is all about digging deeper... and what better way to celebrate than by digging into a new garden for the summer?



📅 Creepy Crawlers

Ages 3-5

Friday, May 15 | 10:30 – 11:00 a.m.

Bugs, spiders, & worms, OH MY! Join us for this creepy crawler themed storytime. We will enjoy books, rhymes, songs, and a fun craft that will be sure to have your little ones squealing with delight!

📅 DogMan vs. Petey Mystery

Grades K-6

Wednesday, May 20 | 4:15 – 5:00 p.m.

Solve the clues and puzzles to escape from Petey the Cat.



Summer Reading 2020:
Information coming soon!

📅 Movement and Mindfulness

Saturday, May 23

Grades K-2 | 10:30 – 11:15 a.m.

Grades 3-6 | 11:30 – 12:15 p.m.

Take a break from school and have fun coming together with others learning mindfulness and gratitude yoga techniques.

Homeschool Meetup


Homeschool End-of-Year Party (Drop-In)

All Ages

Wednesday, May 27 | 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

No more pencils, no more books...wait! This is a LIBRARY! Come enjoy books, crafts, and fun as we celebrate the end of the school year together!

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Storytimes

Preschoolers of all ages can join us for a storytime. The Youth Services department provides age-appropriate interactive fun with stories, sign language, music, and more! Each program runs for five weeks. Spring Storytimes begin the week of **March 2 and end on April 10.**

Please note there is a week off for Spring Break, March 30-April 3.

STORYTIMES SCHEDULE THROUGH APRIL 10

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
 Readers and Eaters <i>Grades K-2</i> 6:30 – 7:00 p.m. Books and snackivities for little foodies who've grown beyond Happy Books storytime.  Happy Books, Happy Cooks <i>Ages 3-5</i> 7:00 – 7:30 p.m. A storytime for your budding chef. <i>If you have a 5 year old in Kindergarten, please register for one cooking series only.</i>	Preschool Storytime <i>Ages 3-5</i> 10:30 – 11:15 a.m. <div style="background-color: #92d050; text-align: center; padding: 5px;"> LIMITED STORYTIMES <small>Open to the first 20 children to arrive for storytime</small> </div>	Toddler Storytime <i>Ages 2-3 with caregiver</i> 10:30 – 11:00 a.m.	Baby Tales <i>0-24 months with caregiver</i> 10:10 – 10:30 a.m. and 10:40 – 11:00 a.m. During this storytime, we will introduce your baby to books, songs, rhymes, and movement that will aid in the development of early literacy skills.	Family Storytime <i>All ages with caregiver</i> 10:30 – 11:15 a.m. 

volunteens

Grades 7-12

Are you a student in grades 7-12? Are you looking for a fun way to get job experience, earn service hours, or make a difference in the community? If so, the Bloomingdale Public Library VolunTEENs program is looking for you! During your summer vacation, we'll develop a schedule to fit your availability and our programming needs. You'll work 2-4 hours per month with the Bloomingdale Library's Youth Services staff preparing crafts, keeping the library tidy, and helping with special projects. Summer is an exciting time at the library—be a part of it!

If you are interested in joining our group of amazing VolunTEENs, applications can be picked up at the Library at the Youth Services desk or found on our website at

www.mybpl.org.

Please contact Heidi Knuth, VolunTEEN Coordinator, at (630) 924-2745 or email hknuth@mybpl.org if you have any questions regarding the program.

The deadline for submissions is May 22, 2020.

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