



Library Tidings

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FROM THE DESK OF THE DIRECTOR:

Our staff puts a lot of time and work into planning the classes and programs offered by our library system. It can be quite challenging to come up with programming ideas for people of different ages, coming from different walks of life, with different interests and needs.

We strive to coordinate overall planning among all four of the buildings and bookmobile so that we can offer a slate of classes and programs with content or entertainment that is fresh, timely, and relevant.

Many of the very best ideas come from you, our customers. We seek your feedback through surveys, in-person or phone conversations with library staff, and reading your suggestions on "Please Tell Us What You Think..." forms that are available in each of the libraries, or on our website: www.baycountylibrary.org.

Please keep your ideas coming. They are welcome and valued!

Tom Birch

National Library Week: April 11-16

National Library Week is an annual celebration of the contributions of our nation's libraries and librarians. All types of libraries - school, public, academic and special - participate.

Your Bay County Library System has coordinated a special event for each day of National Library Week benefitting you, the library patron, without whom our libraries would serve no purpose:

Monday-Saturday. Patrons have the opportunity to enter a drawing (1 entry per day) for a gift card. At the end of the week, one child, one teen and one adult name will be drawn per branch.

Tuesday: One day only. Have you lost or damaged your library card? Get a **FREE** replacement card! Be sure to bring in an ID stating your current address.

Wednesday: One day only. We all have those days when life gets a little ahead of us. On this day, return any overdue items and **ERASE LATE FEES** on those items! Sorry, this does not apply to damaged items.

Thursday: One day only. Receive up to three **FREE** DVD/VHS rentals.

Friday: One day only. Oops! Did you miss one of the events this week? That's alright because today is **Make Up Day!**

Choose any one of the "one day only" events from Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday.

Saturday: One day only. All Friends of the Bay County Libraries Book Sale items are ½ price!

Monday-Saturday: Food for Fines. Reward yourself by helping the Library help those in Bay County who are less fortunate. Just bring in any non-perishable, non-expired, shatterproof food items along with any overdue library items and the fees for those items are cleared! If you've already returned items, but still have fines, you can still participate. One food item erases fines on any one library item. Just remember that this opportunity only applies to items returned in acceptable condition. All food items collected will be donated to food pantries in Bay County.

Celebrate Poem in Your Pocket Day on Thursday, April 14! We'll provide poems for you take home in advance, or you can plan to bring one of your own. On April 14 if you can show your poem when a library staff member asks to see it, you could win a small prize! Call or visit your branch for more details.

Booked for Lunch

Fri, Noon-1 pm. Doors open at 11:30 am.
Kantzler Community Room, Wirt

No registration. Bring a lunch and a friend! Lunch available for purchase at the Mug@Wirt coffee shop. Cookies and beverages provided by the Friends of the Bay County Libraries.

Mar 4	Margaret Bird reviews <i>The Help</i> by Kathryn Stockett
Mar 11	Ric Mixter reviews his book <i>The Wheelmen</i>
Mar 18	Carolyn Krebs reviews <i>Why We Make Mistakes: How We Look Without Seeing, Forget Things in Seconds, and Are All Pretty Sure We Are Way Above Average</i> by Joseph T. Hallinan
Mar 25	Dee Dee Wacksman reviews <i>Remarkable Creatures</i> by Tracy Chevalier
Apr 1	Ron Bloomfield reviews <i>Through the Lens: A Visual History of Bay County</i> , a collaborative effort of The Bay City Times and Bay County Historical Society

Wirt Public Library will be CLOSED on Sun, Mar 20 and Sun, Apr 24.

Adult Events & Programs

Adult Winter Reading Program Ends March 12!

There's still time to be in the running for prizes. Get a form at your public service desk today!

AUBURN

"Pysanky" Ukrainian Egg Art Workshop

Teens also welcome.

Sat, Apr 2, 11 am

Registration required at 662-2381 ext. 200.

PINCONNING

"Pysanky" Ukrainian Egg Art Workshop

Teens also welcome.

Sat, Mar 26, 10 am-3 pm

Registration required at 879-3283 ext. 202.

Book Discussion Group

Thu, Mar 24, 6-7:30 pm

Thu, Apr 28, 6-7:30 pm

Registration required at 879-3283 ext. 207.

Towel Rabbit Craft

Teens also welcome.

Sat, Apr 16, 2 pm

Registration required at 879-3283 ext. 202.

SAGE

Book Discussion Group

Tue, Mar 8, 2-3:30 pm

Registration required at the Fiction Desk or call 892-8555 ext 205.

Smart Savings with Coupons Presentation

Wed, Apr 6, 6-7:30 pm

Registration required beginning Mar 14 at the Reference Desk or call 892-8555 ext. 202.

WIRT

Business Start-Up Seminar

Wed, Mar 9, 1-4pm

Registration required at the MI-SBTDC online or call 989-686-9597.

Irish Ghost Stories

Grades 6-adult

Mon, Mar 14, 6:30pm

Get into the "spirit" of St. Patrick's Day with Award-winning storyteller Yvonne Healy.

Registration required at the Fiction Desk or call 893-9566 ext. 2123.

Discover your Roots: Family History Research for Beginners

Sat, Mar 19, 9:30-11:30 am

Intro to Genealogy Databases: Ancestry Library Edition and Heritage Quest

Sat, Apr 2, 9:30-11:30 am

Programs held in the Wirt Computer Lab

Registration required. Call the Reference Dept. at 893-9566 ext. 2200.

Sponsored by the Bay County Library System and Bay County Genealogical Society

Introduction to Polish Genealogy

Ceil Wendt Jensen, Certified Genealogist and author of *Sto Lat: a Modern Guide to Polish Genealogy*, presents a one day, two-part workshop to start or advance your Polish genealogical research.

Saturday, April 30, 1-3:30 pm

Kantzler Community Room and Wirt Library Computer Lab

Registration required. Call the Reference Dept. 893-9566 ext. 2200.

Bring your Wi-Fi enabled laptop computer.

Senior Wii Bowling

Thu, Mar 17 & Apr 21, 1:30-3 pm

Kantzler Community Room, Wirt

Inviting all seniors to join us for fun as we enjoy bowling that can be played from the comfort of our community room. Wii can be played sitting down or standing up, so it's easy for everyone to join in the fun!

Lunch & Movie

Wed, Mar 23, 11:30 am

Kantzler Community Room, Wirt

Leap Year (2010) PG-13 comedy

Register with the Division on Aging at 893-5834.

Lunch cost is payable to the Division on Aging.

Adult Wii Gaming

Thu, Mar 17 & Apr 21, 6-7:30 pm

Kantzler Community Room, Wirt

Inviting all adults to come sample a variety of Wii games.

Stress: The Mind-Body Connection

Thu, Mar 3, 6:30-7:30 pm

Community Room, Sage

Join Brenda Clifford, Occupational Therapist, for a presentation on the negative and positive effects of stress. Learn about strategies for coping with stress.

Registration required at the Reference Desk, or call 892-8555 X202.

Computer Classes

Wirt Computer Lab

Please register at the Wirt Public Library computer sign-up desk or by mail.

A non-refundable fee of \$5.00 per class is due at registration. Call 893-9566 ext. 2206 for information.

Wednesdays 5:45-7:45 pm

Mar 2 *Intro to Internet**

Mar 16 *Intro to Email**

Apr 13 *Basic MS Office 2007 Publisher**

Apr 27 *Intermediate MS Office 2007 Publisher***

Wednesdays 10:30 am-noon

Mar 9 *Intro to Digital Photo Editing**

Mar 23 *Intermediate Digital Photo Editing****

Apr 6 *Intro to Computer*

Apr 20 *Basic MS Office 2007 Word**

Saturdays 9:30 am – 12:30 noon

Mar 12 *Introduction to MS Office 2007 PowerPoint**

Mar 26 *Internet Safety***

Apr 9 *MP3's*****

Apr 16 *Introduction to Web Page Design*&*****

* *Should know how to use a mouse and how to type*

** *Familiar with general use of Internet*

*** *Prior knowledge required*

**** *Familiar with general file use*

***** *Familiar with computers*

Computer Skills Workshop

Pinconning

A two part class to improve basic computer skills.

Wed, Mar 2 & 9, 1:30-3 pm

Wed, Apr 6 & 13, 1:30-3 pm

A non-refundable fee of \$5.00 is due at registration.

Registration is required at 879-3283 ext. 202.

Children's Events & Programs

Seuss Celebrations All ages

Join us for games, crafts, snacks and lots of fun during our celebrations of Seussian silliness in honor of Dr. Seuss's Birthday! Drop-in program.

Wirt

Wed, Mar 2, 4:30-6 pm

Sage

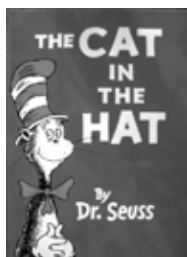
Wed, Mar 2, 4-7 pm

Pinconning

Wed, Mar 9, 4-5 pm

Auburn Area

Sat, Mar 19, 10:30 am-12 pm



Birds of Prey All ages

Get an up close and personal look at Michigan birds of prey with Joe Rogers of the Wildlife Recovery Association.

Auburn Area

Tue, Mar 15, 6:30 pm

Registration required

Sage

Wed, Mar 16, 6:30 pm

Registration required

Pinconning

Sat, Apr 2, 2 pm

Registration required beginning Mar 5

Wirt

Sat, Apr 9, 11 am & 2 pm

Registration required beginning Mar 12



Earth Day Programs

Pinconning - Twice is Nice

Wed, Apr 6, 4-5 pm

Join us for a recycled craft and green snacks!

Ages 5-12. Drop-in

Wirt - Earth Day Crafts

Wed, Apr 20, 4:30-6 pm

Get creative at this program featuring crafts made with recycled materials!

All ages. Drop-in

Sage - Celebrate Earth Day

Wed, Apr 20, 4-7 pm

Join us for recycled games, a craft and snack!

All ages. Drop-in

Auburn Area

Fri, Apr 22

Earth Day Bingo 1-1:30 pm

Earth Friendly Crafts 1:30-2 pm

Ages 4-10. Registration required beginning Mar 29



National Library Week Performers

Merry Music Maker: Musical Adventure Concert

Experience interactive fun with upbeat music, stories, crazy characters and puppetry.

Pinconning

Wed, Apr 13, 6 pm

All ages

Registration required beginning March 16



Kevin Kammeraad: Poetry, Puppetry, Music & More

Michigan author Kevin Kammeraad encourages imagination in this variety show.

Sage

Wed, Apr 13, 6:30 pm

All ages

Registration required beginning March 16



Ben Spitzer: Magic & More!

Celebrate books at this show filled with magic, comedy and juggling!

Wirt

Sat, Apr 16, 11 am

All ages

Registration required beginning March 19



Guy Louis: Family Fun Show!

A musical celebration full of fast-paced, interactive songs that will engage everyone in the family.

Auburn Area

Sat, Apr 16, 2 pm

All ages

Registration required beginning March 19



Children's Department registration and information contact numbers

Auburn Area: 662-2381 option #4, Pinconning: 879-3283 option #3,

Sage: 892-8555 option #5, Wirt: 893-9566 option #5

WIRT

Where registration is required, call 893-9566, option #5.

Books Rock Café Grades 4-6

4th Monday of each month, 6 pm.

Registration required one month prior to program date.

Creative Kids Book Club Grades 1-3

Tue, Mar 15 & Apr 12, 4 pm

Registration required one month prior to program date.

Tail Waggin' Tutors Ages 4+

Wed, Mar 9, 6:15-7:30 pm

Sat, Mar 26, 2-3:30 pm

Sat, Apr 16, 2-3:30 pm

Have fun reading to a therapy dog!

Registration required now for March dates
and beginning Mar 16 for April date.

St. Patrick's Day Program with Yvonne Healy Grades 1-6

Mon, Mar 14, 4 pm

Bring the family for Wee Folk Tales, drums, games and Irish stories.

Registration required.

Family Game Night Grades K-6

Tue, Mar 29, 6-7:30 pm

Play assorted board games with your family.

Spring Movies

Children under 8 must be accompanied by a parent or caregiver.

Wall-E (Rated G)

Mon, Mar 28, 2 pm

Sleeping Beauty (Rated G)

Fri, Apr 1, 2:30 pm

Legend of Guardians: Owls of 'Ga' Hoole (Rated PG)

Sat, Apr 23, 2 pm

SAGE

Where registration is required, call 892-8555, option #5.

Wacky Wednesdays Grades 1-4

Grow A Garden: Wed, Mar 9 at 4:15 pm

Silly & Funny Poetry: Wed, Apr 13 at 4:15 pm

Stories, Crafts, games and snacks!

Registration required.

Luck o' the Irish Party! Grades K-5

Thu, Mar 17 at 4:15 pm

Be Irish for the afternoon! Games, craft and a snack!

Registration required.

Dance Party! All ages

Mon, Mar 28 from 2-3:30 pm

Drop in and dance the afternoon away!

Movie: Alpha and Omega rated PG all ages

Tue, Mar 29 at 1:30 pm

Drop in to watch a movie and enjoy a snack!

The Princess Diaries Movie Night Grades 4-7

Wed, Mar 30 at 5 pm

Join us for pizza and pop, decorate a cupcake and see the movie!

Registration required.

Spring-O Bingo! Grades K-5

Thu, Apr 7 at 4:15 pm

Think Spring! Join us to play Bingo and have a snack!

Registration required beginning Mar 7.

Finding Nemo Party Ages 3-6

Thu, Apr 28 at 4:15 pm

Join us for fishy fun with stories, games and a snack!

Registration required beginning Mar 28.

Spring Story Time For Children

Mar 14 – Apr 28

Join in on the fun! We offer story times for a variety of age groups filled with stories, music, activities and more! Call or visit your branch for registration!

Schedule available at www.baycountylibrary.org

Story Time for Adults

Developmentally disabled adults and their caregivers are invited to drop-in for a story time filled with stories, music and more. Held at Wirt Library on the first and third Monday of the month from 6:30-7 pm.

PINCONNING

Ages 5-12. No registration. Info: 879-3283, option #3.

Kids' Wii

Wed, Mar 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30, 5:30-7 pm

Wed, Apr 6, 20 & 27, 5:30-7 pm

Dream Catcher Key Chain

Wed, Mar 23, 3:30-4:30 pm

Spring Placemat

Wed, Apr 20, 3:30-4:30 pm

AUBURN AREA

Registration is required for all programs.

Call 662-2381, option #4.

Mardi Gras Fun Family Craft Night

Wed, Mar 2, 6:30 pm

Spring Family Craft Night

Wed, April 6, 6:30 pm

Pages & Pizza Book Club Grades 4-6

Wed, Mar 16, 4 pm

Wed, Apr 20, 4 pm

Read the featured book and meet for discussion and pizza.

Mom & Me Craft Ages 2-5 + Adult

Fri, Mar 18, 11 am

Fri, Apr 15, 11 am

Spring Bingo Ages 12 & under

Wed, Mar 30, 2 pm

Crafty Readers Club Grades K-3

Thu, Mar 31 1:30 pm

Join us for stories, a craft, games and snacks.

All Aboard Train Fun Ages 3-7

Fri, Apr 1, 11 am or 2 pm

Train stories, a craft, snacks and fun.

Be a Princess Ages 3-7

Sat, Apr 9, 11 am or 2 pm

Wear your favorite party or princess dress and join us for princess stories, crafts and fun.

Teen Events & Programs

SAGE

Wed, Mar 23 Matchbox Mini Treasure Chest 6 pm

Wed, Apr 27 Pop Top Belt 6 pm

1st and 3rd Tuesday afternoon ongoing teen knitting classes.
Call for information and availability.

Grades 5-12. Registration required for all programs.
Visit the Fiction Desk or call 892-8555 ext. 205.



Find **BCLSTEEN** on Facebook and stay up-to-date on all programs and events!

WIRT

Tue, Mar 1 Wii Night 5-7:30 pm

Tue, Mar 8 Wii Night 5-7:30 pm

Thu, Mar 10 Pop Top Bracelets 4 pm

Mon, Mar 14 Irish Ghost Stories with Yvonne Healy. Grades 6-adult. 6:30 pm

Registration required at 893-9566 ext. 2123.

Tue, Mar 15 Wii Night 5-7:30 pm

Thu, Mar 17 Teen Advisory Board Meeting 5 pm

Tue, Mar 22 Wii Night 5-7:30 pm

Thu, Mar 24 Win It In a Minute 6 pm

Tue, Apr 5 Wii Night 5-7:30 pm

Tue, Apr 12 Wii Night 5-7:30 pm

Thu, Apr 14 Top Chef 6 pm

Tue, Apr 26 Wii Night 5-7:30 pm

Thu, Apr 28 Duct Tape Mania 4 pm

Registration required for all craft programs.
Call 893-9566 ext. 2122.

PINCONNING

Tue, Mar 1 Macrame Keychain Craft 4-5 pm

Teen Wii 6-7:30 pm

Tue, Mar 8 Teen Wii 6-7:30 pm

Tue, Mar 15 Memory Wire Bracelet Craft 4-5 pm

Teen Wii 6-7:30 pm

Tue, Mar 22 Teen Wii 6-7:30 pm

Sat, Mar 26 Pysanky - Ukranian Egg Art 10 am-3 pm

Workshop for adults & teens.

Registration required.

Tue, Mar 29 Teen Wii 6-7:30 pm

Tue, Apr 5 Fabric Necklace Craft 4-5 pm

Teen Wii 6-7:30 pm

Tue, Apr 12 Teen Wii 6-7:30 pm

Sat, Apr 16 Towel Rabbit Craft for adults & teens. 2 pm

Registration required.

Tue, Apr 19 Flower Pot Decorating Craft 4-5 pm

Teen Wii 6-7:30 pm

Tue, Apr 26 Teen Wii 6-7:30 pm

Where registration is required call 879-3283 ext. 202.

AUBURN AREA

Wed, Mar 2 After-School Nintendo Wii 2:30- 4 pm

Wed, Mar 9 Angel Clip Necklace Craft 3 pm

Wed, Mar 16 After-School Nintendo Wii 2:30-4 pm

Wed, Mar 23 Clothespin Spring Jewelry Craft 3 pm

Sat, Apr 2 Pysanky - Ukranian Egg Art 11 am

Workshop for adults & teens.

Registration required.

Wed, Apr 6 After-School Nintendo Wii 2:30- 4 pm

Wed, Apr 13 Coffee Filter Album Craft 6 pm

Wed, Apr 20 After-School Nintendo Wii 2:30- 4 pm

Wed, Apr 27 Safety Pin Jewelry Craft 3 pm

Grades 5-12. Registration required for craft programs only.
Call 662-2381 ext. 205.

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Alice & Jack Wirt Public Library

500 Center Ave., Bay City, MI 48708
Ph: (989) 893-9566 TDD: (989) 893-7052
Mon - Thu 10 am - 8 pm
Fri - Sat 9 am - 5 pm
Sun *1 - 5 pm
(*September - May only)

Auburn Area Branch Library

235 W. Midland Rd., Auburn, MI 48611
Ph: (989) 662-2381

Sun - Mon Closed
Tue - Thu 10 am - 8 pm
Fri - Sat 9 am - 5 pm

Pinconning Branch Library

218 Kaiser St., Pinconning, MI 48650
Ph: (989) 879-3283

Sun - Mon Closed
Tue - Thu 10 am - 8 pm
Fri - Sat 9 am - 5 pm

Sage Branch Library

100 E. Midland St., Bay City, MI 48706
Ph: (989) 892-8555

Mon - Tue 9 am - 5 pm
Wed - Thu Noon - 8 pm
Fri 9 am - 5 pm
Sat - Sun Closed

Bookmobile

500 Center Ave., Bay City, MI 48708
Ph: (989) 893-9566 ext. 2108
Visit us on the web for a current schedule.

“Library Tidings” Newsletter Sign-Up Form

Please fill out this form and return to any branch to begin receiving your own copy of the bimonthly newsletter. You may also sign up online!

Please send my newsletter via _____ Mail _____ Email

Please send me emails about new upcoming events _____ YES!

Name: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Phone: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

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