

NEWS & EVENTS



JANUARY 2022

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A Winter Tale



WINTER READING PROGRAM



ALL AGES

January 3-February 26, 2022

- **Sign up** beginning January 3. Pick up a log at your branch or track your reading online through our Beanstack site or the Beanstack Tracker app.
- **Log 8 hours** of reading by February 26 to eligible for prize drawings. Online and paper logs must be submitted by the end of the day.
- **Keep logging!** Your name will be entered in a drawing for a chance to win a Meijer gift card worth \$10 or \$50 for every 8 hours of reading or listening you complete.



Get Beanstack links & directions, plus download and print reading logs at

baycountylibrary.org/WRP

Should health regulations change, in-person programs may switch to Zoom. You will be notified of any format change via the contact info you provide at registration. MASKS ARE HIGHLY ENCOURAGED AT ALL IN-PERSON EVENTS.

System-Wide Holiday Closings

NEW YEAR'S DAY: *Saturday, January 1*

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY: *Monday, January 17*

Online services and the VLC app are available.

ADULTS

® Registration opens 1 month before at 9 am
(A & T) = Both Adults and Teens welcome



Knitting Solutions

Wirt: Tuesdays, 10:00 am-12:00 pm

Needle Crafter's Club

Auburn: Wed, Jan 12 & 26, 12:00-1:30 pm

Easy Birch Tree Painting ®

Wirt: Thu, Jan 13, 6:00-7:00 pm

Metal Lotus Magnet ® (A & T)

Pinconning: Sat, Jan 15, 11:00 am; 2:00 pm

Decoupage Mini Wood Tray ® (A & T)

Auburn: Thu, Jan 20, 6:00-7:30 pm

Chevron Abstract Canvas Craft ®

Sage: Wed, Jan 26, 6:00 pm

In-Person Book Discussions

Sage: Mon, Jan 10, 2:00-3:30 pm
"The Namesake" by Jhumpa Lahiri

Pinconning: Tue, Jan 18, 2:30- 4:00 pm
"Breathing Lessons" by Anne Tyler

Auburn: Thu, Jan 27, 6:-7:30 pm
Title TBD

Book Box for Adults ®

Theme: Cozy Mysteries
Pick up Jan 24-29

Each box will contain one library book related to the box's theme, a book to keep and a few treats or a craft to go along with the theme. Check out the box, enjoy the books and treats, then return the library book and box. Please indicate your pickup branch when you register. After Jan 29, unclaimed boxes go to the next patron on the waitlist.



Home Buyers Education Class ®

Wirt: Tue, Jan 4, 6:00-7:30 pm

Wirt: Tue, Jan 18, 6:00-7:30 pm

Curious about the home buying process? Hear a series of short presentations from local experts including a Lender, a Home Inspector, a Title Agent, and a Realtor. Q & A session follows.

Thinking of Selling Your House? ®

Wirt: Tue, Jan 11, 6:00-7:30 pm

Wirt: Tue, Jan 25, 6:00-7:30 pm

Hear from local experts on why it's a seller's market, how to prepare your home to be sold, different types of loans, what the title company does, and what to expect throughout the entire process.

The Evening Sessions: "The Snow Killings: Inside the Oakland County Child Killer Investigation"

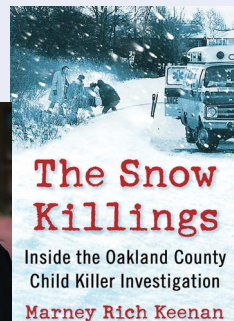
Presented by Author Marney Rich Keenan

Wirt: Wed, Jan 19, 6:00 pm

This program will be held in person in the Wirt Library Community Room and live streamed to the BCLS Facebook page.

Author Marney Rich Keenan is a journalist whose work spans four decades, including twenty-six years as an award-winning reporter and columnist for *The Detroit News* where she broke this story. Over the last ten years, she has conducted hundreds of interviews, poured over thousands of pages of police files, personal emails and news clippings, and viewed old TV footage.

Marney has long-standing relationships with all four of the victims' families and has conducted extensive interviews over the years with principal figures in the many law enforcement agencies involved in this case.



Seed Sorting at Wirt

Drop in during any session below to help prepare the seeds for the 2022 seed library.

Sat, Jan 22, 10:00 am-4:00 pm

Tue, Feb 8, 5:00-7:30 pm

Sat, Feb 19, 10:00 am-4:00 pm



SAGINAW VALLEY
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WRITING CENTER

Returns to Wirt Library January 11, 2022!

BCLS is excited to welcome back the SVSU Writing Center to Wirt Library for **FREE** tutoring sessions! Open Tuesdays, 3:00-7:00 pm at Wirt Library, 2nd Floor Reference area. Walk-ins are welcome, but to ensure a tutor is available to help you, we recommend booking a session appointment through the Writing Center's website at www.svsu.edu/writingcenter/communityengagement. If you have any questions, please contact the SVSU Writing Center at writingcenter@svsu.edu.

TEENS (Grades 6-12)

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TEEN LITLOOT BOX®
(Grades 9-12)
Pick up Jan 3-8

MIDDLE PAGES LOOT BOX®
(Grades 6-8)
Pick up Jan 18-22

JANUARY THEME: DYSTOPIA

Each box contains a library book related to the month's theme, a book to keep, and a few complimentary treats or a craft. Check out the box, enjoy the treats, then return the library book and box.

New! Graphic Novel Book Club® (Grades 6-8)

January Title: "Twins" by Varian Johnson



Sage: Tue, Jan 18, 4:00-5:00 pm
Auburn: Wed, Jan 19, 3:00-4:00 pm


Join our Graphic Novel Book Club where we read and discuss a new book each month. We'll talk about everything from the stories to the graphic novel format--plus we have snacks and activities based on that month's title! Sign up online or at any branch to pick up your free copy.



Sponsored by the Rotary Club of Bay City.

CRAFTS

Virtual craft supplies ready for pickup 2 weeks in advance at the location of your choice. Allow 2 business days for delivery to your branch within 2 weeks of the program.

 **Donut Worry Canvas Craft®**
Tue, Jan 11, 4:00 pm

 **Sharpie Canvas Art®**
Thu, Jan 20, 4:00 pm

Metal Lotus Magnet® (A & T)
Pinconning: Sat, Jan 15, 11:00 am; 2:00 pm

Decoupage Mini Wood Tray® (A & T)
Auburn: Thu, Jan 20, 6:00 pm

'Sour' Slime®
Sage: Tue, Jan. 25, 4:00 pm

Clay Pot Snowman®
Wirt: Thu, Jan 27, 4:00 pm

DUNGEONS & DRAGONS CLUB®
Sage: Wed, Jan 12, 3:30-5:30 pm

Use your wit, skill, and some lucky rolls of the dice to create characters, fight bad guys, and maybe even save the world. No experience necessary!

CHILDREN & FAMILY

® Registration opens 1 month before at 9 am.



LENA
START®
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LENA Start Virtual Q & A Session ® (Ages 0-36 months + Adult)



Thursday, January 6
6:00-7:00 pm

Join us on Zoom to learn how this program uses LENA technology to help parents increase talk, which encourages their babies' literacy and brain growth.

LENA Start Virtual Meetings ® (Ages 0-36 Mo.+ Adult)



Thursdays, January 13-March 17
6:00-7:00 pm

This 10-week program uses LENA technology to increase interactive talk, which leads to healthy brain development in children.

LENA Start at BCLS is made possible from the generous support from the Bay Area Community Foundation and the Hemlock Semiconductor Cares Grant.

Team Jigsaw Puzzle Challenge ® (Grade 4-Adult)

Sage: Thu, Jan 6, 6:00-7:30 pm

Auburn: Sat, Jan 22, 2:00-4:00 pm

Create a team of friends or family to see who can complete a 500 piece puzzle first! Prize awarded to the winning team. Make a New Year's Resolution to unplug and play!

Please register team as one participant and include names of team members in the notes field.



VIRTUAL PROGRAMS

For crafts, supplies are ready for pickup 2 weeks in advance at the branch you choose during registration. Allow 2 days for transit if registering within 2 weeks of the program.



Please have an adult supervisor on hand to help with technology and crafts.

Young Scientists: Weather (Ages 2-5 + Adult) ®

Zoom: Fri, Jan 7, 11:00-11:30 am

Fun, scientific exploration through craft.

Virtual Mock Caldecott ® (Ages 5-12)

Zoom: Mon, Jan 10, 4:00-4:45 pm

Join us for a special program celebrating some of the best picture books published in 2021, then vote for your favorite to win a kids' choice Mock Caldecott Award!

You Choose Book Club ® (Ages 6-12)

Zoom: Tue, Jan 11 4:30-5:00 pm

Zoom: Tue, Jan 25, 4:30-5:00 pm

Join us for an adventure where you choose how the story ends! We'll blend fun activities with Zoom voting to choose the story together, and hopefully survive the adventure.

Virtual Crafts for Kids: Rainsticks ® (Grades K-5 + Adult)

Zoom: Wed, Jan 12, 4:15-4:45 pm

Join our Children's Department on Zoom for a live craft program! All supplies provided.

Flower Painting (Ages 5-12) ®

Zoom: Tue, Jan 18, 5:00-5:30 pm

Unleash your inner artist as we learn how to paint a colorful dandelion puff.

Pups & Pages ® (Ages 4-12)

Zoom: Wed, Jan 19, 5:30-6:30 pm

Zoom: Sat, Jan 29, 11:00 am-12:00 pm

Read to a certified (or in-training) therapy dog in a one-on-one session.

A is for Art: Mitten Garland ® (Ages 2-5 + Adult)

Zoom: Fri, Jan 21, 10:30-11:00 am

Make a winter-themed garland using watercolors and white crayons.

Best Kids Books of 2021 ® (Family)

Zoom: Mon, Jan 24, 6:30-7:30 pm

Each January the American Library Association gives awards to the best children's books published the previous year, including the prestigious Caldecott and Newberry Medals. Join us for a special program on Zoom to learn more about this year's winners! This program is primarily for children and their families, but teachers are welcome to attend.

Virtual Crafts for Kids: Pet Rocks ® (Grades K-5 + Adult)

Zoom: Wed, Jan 26, 4:15-4:45 pm

Join our Children's Department on Zoom for a live craft program! All supplies provided.



Kids' Grab & Go Crafts

(Ages 3-12)

Available monthly while supplies last
Through May 2022

Stop by your branch's Children's Department the first of each month to pick up a new craft to create at home! Craft kits include supplies and instructions.

Suggested minimum age for crafts is 3 due to small pieces. Limit one per child. No holds.



January 10 - February 25, 2022

Join our children's librarians LIVE on  **zoom**

FAMILY

Tuesdays, 10:30-11:00 am

Wednesdays, 6:30-7:00 pm

(Ages 6 and under + participating caregiver)

Stories, music, movement and rhymes that develop early literacy skills and encourage everyone in the family to share their love of reading.

2-5 YEAR-OLD

Thursdays, 10:30-11:00 am

(Ages 2-5 + participating caregiver)

Develop a love of reading through stories, rhymes, music, movement and more!

Register to receive the Zoom link: call your branch or visit the Calendar of Events at www.baycountylibrary.org

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 (*Sep-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) 385-0837
Visit us on the web for a current schedule.

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