BCLS to launch brand new website

Based on the website feedback survey we conducted earlier this year, we are thrilled to bring you a fresh, new site launching in early September!

Special features include a NEW online calendar and event registration system, staff blogs, book rivers, and an online community room and study room reservation form. The site provides easier home page access to your account, favorite features like hoopla, OverDrive and library departments, plus a feed of upcoming events. We are very excited to bring this to you and hope you will LOVE IT!

Keep an eye on WWW.BAYCOUNTYLIBRARY.ORG in September!

National Library Card Sign-Up Month celebration introduces local business discounts with your BCLS card

September is National Library Card Sign-Up Month! BCLS has planned great rewards for library card holders both inside the libraries and in the community! At BCLS branches, patrons can get a free replacement card ($3.00 value). Show your library card at any service desk and receive an entry to win a gift card. Children 12 & under may show their library card at any of our children’s service desks to receive a small prize.

**PROMOTION COMMOTION: Get Community Discounts with Your Library Card in September**

New this year, BCLS has partnered with 33 businesses throughout Bay County to create a PROMOTION COMMOTION, which gets BCLS patrons exclusive discounts, freebies, and other special offers when they show their BCLS library card September 1-30, 2019 at these incredible businesses:

**AUBURN:** Ace Hardware, Auburn Food Center, Clarey’s Custom Framing & Art, Hometown Gym, Iron Grind Coffee House, Pet Pals, Tri-City Furniture, Tri-City Equipment Rental, Tri-City Escape Rooms, Unique Bridal Salon, and Village Glass Works.

**BAY CITY:** 3rd & Johnson Market and Eatery, 99 Trees, Bonnie’s Sewing Center, Cashman’s Comics, Electric Kitsch, Live Oak Coffeehouse, Metro-Skate West, Millar’s Tireman, Saginaw Valley Naval Ship Museum (USS Edson), St. Laurent Brothers, The Stadium, and Tiny Apple Store Orchard.

**LINWOOD/KAWKAWLIN:** Buy the Book, Rosie’s Pies, and Williams Cheese.

**PINCONNING:** CJ’s Sports Grill, Pizza Dude, PJ’s Pizza, This and That Dollar Store, TLC Treasures, Wilson’s Cheese Shoppe, and Wishing Well Flowers.

Not a cardholder yet? For more information on how to sign up for a library card, and to see a list of PROMOTION COMMOTION businesses and their offers to cardholders, visit any BCLS branch library or go to www.baycountylibrary.org.
**PICTURE**

**ADULTS**

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662-2381 ext. 205

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*Upcycled Eyeglass Case Craft
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*Pour Painting Class: Wood Coasters
Thu, Sep 19, 6-7:30 pm ®

*World War II on the Home Front w/ Eric Jylha
Thu, Oct 10, 6-7 pm ®

*Team Jigsaw Puzzle Challenge
Wed, Oct 23, 1:30-6:30 pm

® opens Oct 10

**SAGE**
892-8555 ext. 205

® opens one month before event

*Tinted Glassware
Tue, Sep 3, 6-7 pm ®

Crochet Club
Thu, Sep 5 & 19, Oct 3 & 17, 6-7:30 pm ®
Learn how to crochet with Camille or bring your project and visit with us.

*Birch Tree Painting
Sat, Sep 7, 2-3:30 pm ®

*Beaded Fall Bracelet
Tue, Sep 17, 6-7 pm ®

*Lighted Wine Bottles
Tue, Oct 1, 6-7 pm ®

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Tue, Oct 12, 6-7 pm ®

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Sat, Oct 19, 10 am-4 pm ®

**WIRT**
893-9566 ext. 2200

® opens one month before event

Easel Calendar Card and Post-It Note Holder
Wed, Sep 4, 6 pm ®

Computer Solutions@ Wirt Computer Lab, 2nd floor
Thu, Sep 19 & Oct 17, 6-7:30 pm
Casual Q & A with BCLS Technology Supervisor, Watt Peglow. Bring your own device or use lab computers

Painterly Pottery: Fall
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**GREEN**
®=Registration required  ©=May register via our online Events Calendar
(*)=Adult/Teen program

**Tri-City Ghost Hunters Society Paranormal Evidence: The Best of 10 Years**

A spooky evening of history and haunts with Nicole Beauchamp, recognized by Jason Hawes, the star of Syfy’s “Ghost Hunters”.

Pinconning: Thu, Oct 10, 6-7:30 pm ® open
Wirt: Wed, Oct 30, 6-7:30 pm ® opens Sep 30

**Anxious Child? Back to School Anxiety? How Adults Can Help!**

Advice from Clinical Psychologist Kyle West on how to help children of all ages.

Sage: Wed, Sep 4, 6 pm ® open

**Genealogy Classes**
Sponsored by BCLS and Bay County Genealogical Society
Wirt Computer Lab

**Discover Your Roots: Family History Research for Beginners**

Sat, Sep 28, 9:30-11:30 am ® open
Learn how to research your family history! Find your family in the census using Ancestry Library Edition. Learn how to find vital records and organize your research.

**Introduction to Genealogy Databases: Ancestry and MyHeritage (Library Editions)**
Sat, Oct 5, 9:30-11:30 am ® open
Learn how to use the databases, Ancestry Library Edition and MyHeritage Library Edition, to further your family research. Learn how to print or save documents electronically.

**Book Watch @ Wirt Watch What You Read!**

Each month we’ll read a book that has been made into a movie. On the 2nd Monday of every month in Wirt’s community room, we’ll enjoy popcorn and watch the movie, followed by a ‘book vs movie’ discussion! Book selections will be available in the Fiction area on a first come, first served basis one month prior to the movie dates below:

Sep 9, 2 pm - *Birdbox* (book by Josh Malerman)
Oct 14, 2 pm - *The Children Act* (book by Ian McEwan)

For more information, call the Fiction desk at 893-9566 ext. 2122.

**FREE Senior Legal Services**
Lakeshore Legal Aid will cover multiple important topics such as landlord/tenant agreements, estate planning, identity theft, veterans’ benefits, and Lady Bird Deeds.

**Leafing Through the Constitution**
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Wirt Computer Lab

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**BCLS Book Clubs**

Call your branch for the book selection and to register.

**Auburn**
Thu, Sep 26 & Oct 24, 6-7:30 pm

**Pinconning**
Tue, Sep 24 & Oct 22, 6-7:30 pm

**Sage**
Mon, Sep 9 & Oct 9, 2 pm

**Wirt**
Wed, Sep 11 & Oct 9, 2 pm

© = opens one month before event

**Knitting Solutions with Jan**

Expert knitters on site to assist. Crochet enthusiasts are welcome! Drop in.

Wirt: Kantzler Community Room
Tuesdays beginning Sep 10:
10:30 am-12:30 pm

Books are due the 1st checkout. Contact your branch for more information.

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**Legos Club (Grades K-6)**
Make your own unique Lego creations! We supply the Legos and you supply the imagination.

- **SAGE**: Wed, Sep 11, 4:30-5:30 pm @ open
- **WIRT**: Thu, Sep 19, 6-7 pm @ open
- **AUBURN**: Tue, Sep 24, 4-5 pm @ opens Aug 27
- **PINCONNING**: Fri, Sep 27, 3:30-4:30 pm @ opens Aug 30

**FALL STORYTIME**
September 30-November 14
® opens September 3 online, in person, and phone.
Join in on the fun! We offer storytimes for a variety of age groups filled with stories, music, activities and more! Complete schedule is available at baycountylibrary.org.

**Snakes Alive**
(Ages 5-12)
Snakes may be one of the most feared and misunderstood animals, but after attending this program presented by Chippewa Nature Center staff, you’ll see how fascinating and beneficial these beautiful reptiles can be.

- **PINCONNING**: Wed, Sep 11, 6 pm @ open
- **WIRT**: Monday, Sep 23, 6 pm @ opens Aug 26
- **SAGE**: Wed, Oct 2, 6 pm @ opens Sep 4
- **AUBURN**: Tue, Oct 8, 6-7 pm @ opens Sep 10

**Paint a Ceramic Pumpkin**
(Children)
Paint a ceramic pumpkin and take it home right away! Wear your old clothes, this could get messy.

- **WIRT**: Tue, Oct 8, 4-5 pm; 6-7 pm @ opens Sep 10
- **SAGE**: Thu, Oct 24, 4:30-5:30 pm; 6-7 pm @ opens Sep 26
- **PINCONNING**: Sat, Oct 26, 11 am-12 pm; 2-3 pm @ opens Sep 28
- **AUBURN**: Tue, Oct 29, 4-5 pm; 6-7 pm @ opens Oct 1

**“Milk and Bookies” with Miss Michigan**
(Grades PreK-2)
Meet Miss Michigan 2.0, Mallory Rivard, who will read a story, provide a book for your home library, and share milk and cookies!

- **WIRT**: Mon, Sep 30, 6-7 pm @ opens Sep 3
- **PINCONNING**: Wed, Oct 9, 6-7 pm @ opens Sep 18
- **SAGE**: Wed, Oct 16, 6-7 pm @ opens Sep 18
- **AUBURN**: Wed, Oct 30, 6-7 pm @ opens Oct 1

**Monster Mash Party**
(Children)
Enjoy fun & spooky games, activities and creepy crafts! Costumes welcome.

- **AUBURN**: Sat, Oct 12, 1-2:30 pm @ opens Sep 14
- **SAGE**: Thu, Oct 17, 6-7:30 pm @ opens Sep 19
- **WIRT**: Tue, Oct 22, 4-5:30 pm @ opens Sep 24
- **PINCONNING**: Tue, Oct 29, 3-4:30 pm @ opens Oct 1
Create this creepy, spidery slime to take home!
Tue, Oct 22, 4:30-5:30 pm & 6:30-7:30 pm
Spiderweb Slime (Ages 6-12)
Learn how to use nail polish and water to create an awesome marbling effect!
Tue, Oct 15, 4-5 pm
Pumpkin Dip Painting (Ages 10-14)
Celebrate autumn with these yarn wrapped creations!
Fri, Oct 11, 1-2 pm
Yarn Wrapping (Ages 6-12)
Use paper bags and tissue paper to create an amazing autumn luminary!
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Fri, Oct 11, 1-2 pm @ open
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Tue, Oct 22, 4:30-5:30 pm & 6:30-7:30 pm @ open
Create this creepy, spidery slime to take home!

Fairy Tea Party (Ages 2-5)
Wed, Sep 11, 11:15-11:45 am @ open
Enjoy stories and a snack in our Reading Garden (held inside if inclement weather).

Autumn Windchimes Craft (Grades 2-6)
Tue, Sep 17, 4-4:45 pm @ open

Junk Box Monster Challenge (Family)
Wed, Sep 25, 4-5 pm @ opens Aug 28
Design and build with recycled materials.

Playdate at the Library (Ages 0-4)
Fri, Sep 27 & Oct 18, 10-11 am
Drop in to play, discover, and meet new friends.

ArtBots (Grades K-6)
Wed, Oct 2, 4-5 pm @ opens Sep 4
Design a robot that draws!

Just for Fun: Sand Art (Grades 1-5)
Mon, Oct 14, 4-5 pm @ opens Sep 16
Enjoy a craft and a snack.

Back to School Anxiety? (Family)
Wed, Sep 4, 6 pm @ open
Advice from Clinical Psychologist Kyle West, for adults, on how to help children of all ages.

Tail Waggin’ Tutors (Ages 4-12)
Wed, Sep 4, 4:30-5:30 pm @ open
Wed, Oct 16, 4:30-5:30 pm @ opens Sep 4
Read to a certified therapy dog.

Baby Music Time (Ages 0-23 Mo.+ Adult)
Fri, Sep 13, 10-10:30 am @ open
Fri, Oct 14, 10-10:30 am @ opens Sep 13
Sing, dance, and play.

Friday Fun (Ages 2-5 + Adult)
Harvest: Fri, Sep 13, 11 am-12 pm @ open
Harvest stories, activities and craft. Please notify staff of egg allergy.
Ancient Oak: Fri, Oct 4, 11 am-12 pm @ opens Sep 13
Learn about Sage’s old oak tree with the arborist from the Whiting Forest of Dow Gardens.

Sandpaper Art T-Shirts (Ages 5-12)
Thu, Sep 19, 4:30 pm & 6 pm @ open
We provide the T-shirts. You create a cool design.

Young Scientists (Ages 2-5 + Adult)
Fun, scientific exploration.

Sandpaper Art T-Shirts (Ages 5-12)
Thu, Sep 19, 4:30-5:30 pm @ open
Design a zoetrope and watch your own animation creation!
Wed, Oct 2, 4-5 pm
ArtBots (Grades K-6)
Drop in to play, discover, and meet new friends.

Hope to see you at our Library Explorers! Please sign up for some Halloween Tricks or Treats!
Teen Read Month: October 1-31

We dare you to read for the fun of it!
Teen Read Month is a time to celebrate reading for fun and encourage teens to take advantage of reading in all forms – books, magazines, e-books and more – and become regular library users.

**AUBURN**
Call 662-2381 ext. 205 or stop by the Information Desk.
® opens 1 month before each event

*Wed, Sep 4 & 18  Auburn Needle Crafters Club  6-7:30 pm 
Oct 2 & 16  All hand-sewing crafters welcome.
*Thu, Sep 5  Food Safety Bingo w/Lisa Treiber  6-7:30 pm ®
Wed, Sep 11  School Spirit Bracelet Craft  3-4:30 pm ®
*Thu, Sep 12  Upcycled Eyeglass Case Craft  6-7:30 pm ®
*Thu, Sep 19  Pour Painting Class: Wood Coasters  6-7:30 pm ®
Wed, Oct 2 & 16  Dungeons & Dragons (Ages 12-16)  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!
*Thu, Oct 17  Alcohol Ink Mugs Craft  6-7:30 pm ®
*Sat, Oct 26  Team Jigsaw Puzzle Challenge  2-3:30 pm ®
Wed, Oct 30  Ping Pong Ball Ghost Light Craft  3-4:30 pm ®

**PINCONNING**
Call 879-3283 ext. 202 or stop by the Public Service Desk.
® opens 1 month before each event

*Tue, Sep 3  Tinted Glassware  6-7 pm ®
*Sat, Sep 7  Birch Tree Painting  2-3:30 pm ®
*Tue, Sep 17  Beaded Fall Bracelet  6-7 pm ®
*Tue, Oct 1  Lighted Wine Bottles  6-7 pm ®
*Thu, Oct 10  Tri-City Ghost Hunters  6-7:30 pm ®
A spooky evening of history and haunts with Nicole Beauchamp, recognized by Jason Hawes, star of Syfy’s “Ghost Hunters”.
*Tue, Oct 15  Cork Pumpkins  6-7 pm ®
*Sat, Oct 19  Harry Potter Escape Room  10 am-4 pm ®

**SAGE**
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Thu, Sep 12 & Oct 10  Dungeons & Dragons Club  3-5 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!
Wed, Sep 25  Sew a Glove Monster  6-7:30 pm ®
Wed, Oct 16  Chocolate Creations  6-7:30 pm ®
Fri, Oct 25  Tween After Hours Pizza & Movie (Grades 4-9)  5:30-8 pm ®

**WIRT**
Call 893-9566 ext. 2122 or visit the Fiction Desk.
® opens 1 month before each event

Thu, Sep 19  Mason Jar Craft  4 pm ®
Thu, Oct 10  Painterly Pottery  4 pm ® opens Oct 10
Thu, Oct 24  Day of the Dead Craft  4 pm ®

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**PARTNERSHIPS & COMMUNITY…**

**Coats for Kids**
The Salvation Army and BCLS are partnering to keep children warm this winter! New or gently used coats can be dropped off at any library branch now through November.

**Storytime at Iron Grind**
(Ages 0-5 + Adult)
Sat, Sep 21, 10:30-11:00 am
Sat, Oct 12, 10:30-11:00 am
Join us for this offsite storytime at Iron Grind Coffee House in Auburn!
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