Let’s get smitten with helping kids and families in our community keep warm during the winter months! All BCLS branches are accepting donations of NEW winter hats, gloves, scarves or socks in all child and adult sizes.

**AUTO RENEW LAUNCHES JANUARY 3**

We now have a feature which automatically renews your books for you one time (provided no one else has them on hold). You do not need to do anything to activate auto renew; just enjoy knowing that if you need a few extra days to finish that great novel, or forget to drop it off on time, we have you covered! Please note this service does not apply to electronic media and DVDs.

**HOLIDAY CLOSING SCHEDULE**

NEW YEAR: 5 pm on Tuesday, December 31 through Wednesday, January 1
Needle Crafters Club *(D)(T)*
Wed, Jan 8 & Feb 12, 6-7:30 pm
All hand-sewing crafters welcome.

Pentagon Pour Painting Workshop *(T)*
Thu, Jan 16, 6-7:30 pm

Decoupage Fun Craft *(T)*
Thu, Feb 13, 6-7:30 pm

Star Wars Escape Room *(T)*
Thu, Feb 20, 6-7:30 pm

Valentine's Day Birdhouse Decoration Craft *(T)*
Thu, Feb 27, 6-7:30 pm
All hand-sewing crafters welcome.

Birch Tree Painting *
Wed, Jan 8, 6-7:30 pm

Mini-Craft Monday *(D)(T)*
Bookmarks: Mon, Jan 20, 3-4:30 pm
Metal Stamping: Mon, Feb 17, 3-4:30 pm

Golden Girls & Cheesecake: Watch and Snack *
Wed, Feb 5, 6-7:30 pm

DIY Hand Cream *
Wed, Feb 12, 6-7:30 pm

*Bullying 101 *
SAGE: Wed, Jan 22, 6 pm
Join Amy Wassmann, Whole Child Programs Director for Saginaw ISD, to learn what to do if your child is being bullied. Find out the signs that can indicate if your child is being a bully or bullying.

Knitting Solutions with Jan *(D)*
Tuesdays beginning Jan 7
10:30 am -12:30 pm
Expert knitters on site to assist you; crocheters welcome!

Yoga with Heather Emmons *
Tue, Jan 7, 6:30-7:30 pm
Tue, Feb 11, 6:30-7:30 pm
Bring water, towel, and a mat.

Computer Solutions *(D)*
Thu, Jan 16, 6-7:30 pm
Thu, Feb 20, 6-7:30 pm
Bring your device or use lab computers for Q & A with BCLS Technology Supervisor, Walt Peglow.

Craft a Wine Cork Heart *
Wed, Feb 5, 6-7:30 pm
Quick Start Guide to Winter Sowing *
Thu, Feb 13, 6-7:30 pm
Presented by Kathy DePrekel.
Learn the technique of starting your outdoor planting early using containers.

Genealogy Classes @ Wirt
Co-sponsored by BCLS and Bay County Genealogical Society

Family History Research for Beginners *
Sat, Jan 25, 9:30-11:30 am
Discover your roots! Find your family in the census using Ancestry Library Edition. Learn how to find vital records and organize your research.

Intro to Genealogy Databases *
Sat, Feb 1, 9:30-11:30 am
Learn to use Ancestry Library Edition and Heritage Quest to further your family research and how to print or save documents electronically.

An Evening with The Faygo Book Author Joe Grimm *(T)*
Thu, Jan 9, 6-7:30 pm
A Michigan Notable Book for 2019, *The Faygo Book* tells how a family forged a bond of more than 100 years with a city and its residents, and became the last company standing in Detroit’s “pop alley.” There WILL be a pop quiz!

An Evening with Tri-City Woodcarvers *
Wed, Feb 19, 6-7:30 pm
Learn how different types of woodcarvings are made and see examples from some of the most gifted woodcarvers in the Great Lakes Bay region.

BOOK WATCH: Watch What You Read *(D)*
Read the book, then enjoy popcorn while we watch the movie in the community room, followed by a "book vs movie" discussion!

Book selections will be available in the Fiction Department on a first come, first served basis one month prior to the movie date.

**WIRT**

Where’d You Go Bernadette *(book by Maria Semple)*
Mon, Jan 13, 2 pm

Art of Racing in the Rain *(book by Garth Stein)*
Mon, Feb 10, 2 pm

BCLS Book Clubs
CONTACT THE BRANCH FOR THE BOOK SELECTION AND TO REGISTER.

**Auburn:** Thu, Jan 30 & Feb 27, 6-7:30 pm

**Pinconning:** Tue, Jan 28 & Feb 25, 6-7:30 pm

**Sage:** Mon, Jan 13 & Feb 10, 2-3:30 pm

**Wirt:** Wed, Jan 8 & Feb 12, 2 pm
**Teens (Grades 6-12)**

- **AUBURN** 662-2381 ext. 205
  - Needle Crafters Club (D)(A)
    - Wed, Jan 8 & 22, Feb 5 & 19, 6-7:30 pm
    - All hand-sewing crafters welcome.
  - Pentagram Pour Painting Workshop (A)
    - Thu, Jan 16, 6-7:30 pm
  - Decoupage Fun Craft (A)
    - Thu, Jan 23, 6-7:30 pm
  - Star Wars Escape Room (A)
    - Sat, Feb 8, 10 am-4 pm
  - Valentine's Day Birdhouse Decoration Craft (A)
    - Thu, Feb 13, 6-7:30 pm

- **SAGE** 892-8555 ext. 205
  - Family Trivia: Marvel Superheroes (A)
    - Thu, Jan 2, 6-7:30 pm
  - Dungeons & Dragons Club (A)
    - Thu, Jan 9 & Feb 13, 3:30-5:30 pm
  - Mini-Craft Monday: Bookmarks (D)(A)
    - Mon, Jan 20, 3-4:30 pm
  - Bead Lizards (A)
    - Wed, Jan 22, 6-7:30 pm
  - Mini-Craft Monday: Metal Stamping (D)(A)
    - Mon, Feb 17, 3-4:30 pm
  - Handkerchief Tie Pillows (A)
    - Wed, Feb 26, 6-7:30 pm

- **WIRT** 893-9566 ext. 2122
  - Journals (A)
    - Thu, Jan 23, 4 pm
  - Heart Shaped Soap (D)
    - Thu, Feb 6, 4 pm
  - Sharpie Dyed Tile Coasters (A)
    - Thu, Feb 20, 4 pm

- **PINCONNING** 879-3283 ext. 202
  - Craft Catch-Up (A)
    - Tue, Jan 7, 6-7 pm
  - Sat, Jan 11, 2-3:30 pm
  - Missed a craft in 2019? Here’s your chance to make it!
  - Hearts on Canvas (A)
    - Tue, Jan 21, 6-7 pm
  - Tabletop: Intro to Contemporary Games (D)(E)
    - Sat, Feb 1, 1-4 pm
    - Play our new collection of board & card games or check one out!
  - Valentine Door Decor (A)
    - Tue, Feb 4, 6-7 pm
  - Sequin Monogram Magnets (A)
    - Tue, Feb 18, 6-7 pm
  - Cardinal Shadow Box (A)
    - Sat, Feb 22, 2-3:30 pm

**Tweens (Grades 4-7)**

- **AUBURN** 662-2381 ext. 205
  - DIY: Tinted Mason Jars (D)
    - Tue, Jan 28, 4-5 pm

- **PINCONNING** 879-3283 ext. 202
  - Minecraft Club (A)
    - Thu, Jan 9, 3:30-4:30 pm
    - Bring your own device or register to use a library computer.
  - Tween Time: Melted Crayon Art (A)
    - Sat, Jan 18, 2-3:30 pm

**Community Partnerships**

- **Comedy Night with Rob Little**
  - at The Bay City State Theatre
  - Tickets are available at The State Theatre.
  - Proceeds benefit What’s Next in Bay City, a collaboration between 10 area arts & culture nonprofits.

- **Becca’s Closet**
  - Prom Donation Drive at BCLS
    - Throughout February, all BCLS branches will accept donations of new and gently used, clean prom dresses, shoes, and accessories for Becca’s Closet Bay City Chapter.

- **Bay Community Writing Center**
  - Wirt Library, 2nd Floor
  - 1st & 3rd Tuesdays (D) 4-8 pm
  - 1 on 1 writing tutoring and workshops open to the community! For more info and a complete workshop schedule, visit baycommunitywc.weebly.com.
**Children & Family**

**LEGO CLUB®**

Join us for Lego building fun at the library! Make your own unique LEGO creations—builder’s choice! We supply the LEGOs and you supply the imagination.

- **WIRT**: Fri, Jan 3, 10-11 am
- **AUBURN**: Tue, Jan 14, 4-5 pm
- **PINCONNING**: Fri, Jan 24, 3:30-4:30 pm
- **SAGE**: Wed, Feb 19, 4:30-5:30 pm

**WINTER STORYTIME®**

Jan 6 - Feb 20

We offer storytimes for a variety of age groups filled with stories, music, activities and more!

Schedule and online registration available at baycountylibrary.org.

**Pottery to Go® (Ages 12 & Under)**

An experienced studio artist from Painterly Pottery will lead the program and bring a wide variety of glazes to decorate ceramic plaques. Pottery will go back to the studio for firing and can be picked up at your library when ready.

- **WIRT**: Sat, Jan 18, 10 am & 1:30 pm
- **AUBURN**: Sat, Jan 25, 1 pm & 3 pm
- **SAGE**: Wed, Jan 29, 4:30 pm & 6 pm
- **PINCONNING**: Sat, Feb 8, 11 am & 1 pm

**CMU STEM: Engineer Excitement®**

(Grades 3-6 + An Adult)

Participate in self-directed engineering challenges that may include marble roller coasters, spaghetti towers, paper airplanes and more. Presented by CMU’s Center for Excellence in STEM Education. Registration required. Online registration.

- **AUBURN**: Thu, Jan 9, 5-6:30 pm
- **PINCONNING**: Thu, Jan 16, 5-6:30 pm
- **SAGE**: Thu, Jan 23, 5-6:30 pm

**Valentines for Seniors**

(D)(Everyone)
Create a special Valentine’s Day card for a senior citizen in Bay County. All materials are provided!

**ALL BRANCHES**: Jan 2-11, All Day
Science Club Jr. (Ages 2-5 + Adult)
Soap Slime: Fri, Jan 3, 10:30-11:15 am
Cold Hands, Warm Hearts: Fri, Feb 7, 10:30-11:15 am

Make & Take Party (Ages 5-12)
Fri, Jan 3, 1-2:30 pm

Storytime at Iron Grind (D) (Ages 0-5 + Adult)
Sat, Jan 4 & 25, 10:30-11 am
Sat, Feb 15, 10:30-11 am
Event is held off-site at Iron Grind Coffee House in Auburn.

Tail Waggin’ Tutors (Ages 4-12)
Sat, Jan 4, 1-2 pm
Sat, Feb 15, 1-2 pm
Read to a certified therapy dog.

Make a Winter Bird Feeder (Ages 6-12)
Tue, Jan 7, 4:30-5:30 pm

Make Magic Snow (Ages 6-12)
Wed, Jan 15, 4:30-5:30 pm

A is for Art (Ages 2-5 + Adult)
Foil Painting: Fri, Jan 17, 10:30-11:15 am
Marbled Hearts: Fri, Feb 21, 10:30-11:15 am

STEAM Explorers (Ages 6-10)
Arctic Circle: Tue, Jan 21, 4:30-5:30 pm
WWII Homefront: Tue, Feb 4, 4:30-5:30 pm

Music for Littles (Ages 1-3 + Adult)
Fri, Jan 24, 10:30-11 am
Fri, Feb 28, 10:30-11 am

Make a Snow Globe (Ages 6-12)
Wed, Feb 5, 4:30-5:30 pm

Watercolor Gift Bags (Ages 4-12)
Tue, Feb 11, 6-7 pm

Scratch Off Art (Ages 6-12)
Tue, Feb 18, 4:30-5:30 pm

Family Trivia: Disney (Family)
Tue, Feb 25, 6:30-7:30 pm

Canvas Snowball Painting (Ages 5-12)
Wed, Jan 8, 3:30-4:30 pm

Snowflake Magnet (Ages 5-12)
Wed, Jan 22, 3:30-4:30 pm

Valentine T-shirts (Ages 5-12)
Wed, Feb 5, 3:30-4:30 pm

Valentine Bingo (Ages 5-12)
Fri, Feb 14, 3:30-4:30 pm

Bubble Painting (Ages 5-12)
Wed, Feb 19, 3:30-4:30 pm

Food and Flicks: Toy Story 4 (Rated G) (Family)
Fri, Feb 28, 12-2 pm
Lunch provided while you sit back, relax, and enjoy the movie!
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Holiday Light Recycling Drive: Though January 9

In partnership with the City of Bay City

Don’t throw out your old holiday lights! Recycle them in the collection carts located inside Wirt and Sage.