

# NEWS & EVENTS

NOVEMBER 2021



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34th ANNUAL

## Gift of Reading

NOV 1 - DEC 6, 2021

Help us gift new books to families in need!



### HOW TO PARTICIPATE

- Donate NEW, UNWRAPPED BOOKS appropriate for any age (birth to teens)
- Drop off or mail a MONETARY GIFT and we will shop for you!

**PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO:**

*Bay County Library System Gift of Reading*

### DROP OFF LOCATIONS

- ALL BCLS BRANCHES
- BCLS Administrative Offices  
500 Center Ave., Bay City, MI 48708
- Literacy Council of Bay County Headquarters  
1106 S. Madison Ave., Bay City, MI 48708

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, CONTACT  
PROGRAM COORDINATOR, JOLENE FABER



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## Coats for Kids at BCLS

November 1 through December 31

Drop off new or gently used coats at any BCLS branch library. In partnership with the Salvation Army of Bay City, all BCLS branches are drop-off locations for the Coats for Kids program! Donation boxes will be located inside our libraries through the end of December.

Please note: new or gently used coats are accepted for ALL AGES, not just children. There is a special need for larger sizes for high schoolers this year.



All branches are closed for Thanksgiving 5:00 pm Wed, November 24 through Thu, November 25.



# ADULTS

® Registration opens 1 month before at 9 am.



## Adult Grab & Go Craft

Available beginning Monday, November 15 until gone. Stop by your branch library and pick up supplies to create this easy-to-do flamingo painting. No holds. Limit one per patron.



### Saginaw Chippewa Tribal History & Contemporary Society

Wednesday, November 3  
7:00 pm

Presented by Ziibiwing Center of Anishinabe Culture & Lifeways

VIRTUAL ONLY ON: zoom

Learn about the history of the people of the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe of Michigan from before they were called Saginaw Chippewa, all the way to contemporary times. Information on both the current community and the diversity that defines the Tribe will be discussed.

This program is made possible by a generous grant from the Bay Arts Council.



### Michigan's Lonely Hearts Killers: A History of "Cupid Club" Crimes and Criminals

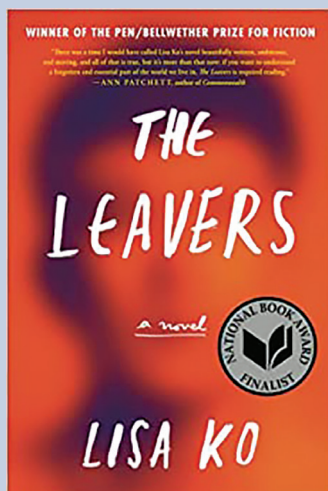
Wednesday, November 17  
7:00 pm

Presented by Tobin T. Buhk

VIRTUAL ONLY ON: zoom

February 1949: RCA introduced the first 45rpm record; President Truman began his second term; the first TV soap opera debuted; and the couple who would become infamous as the "Lonely Hearts Killers" arrived in Grand Rapids, Michigan, where they committed a crime that would bring an end to their cross-country crime spree. Learn about the Michigan crimes of Beck and Fernandez as well as other "Cupid Club" killers who preyed on Michigan lonely hearts through personals ads.

Register beginning 9 am 1 month prior to program.  
Call or visit the Events Calendar at [www.baycountylibrary.org](http://www.baycountylibrary.org)



### Zoom Book Discussion (Adults)

Mon, Nov 8, 2:00-3:00 pm

Join us as we discuss *The Leavers* by Lisa Ko.

Register at 892-8555 ext. 202 to receive a copy of the book and Zoom link.



### Knitting Solutions

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

Drop in to knit and crochet with others! Expert knitters are on site to help those who need assistance. Bring your own project and supplies.



# Visit the Bookmobile

**AT THE FORMER SOUTHSIDE BRANCH**  
311 Lafayette Avenue, Bay City  
FRIDAYS, 9 AM-NOON

- Drop off donations
- Shop book sale items
- Pick up holds
- Use WiFi & Chromebooks

Get the complete Bookmobile  
schedule at [baycountylibrary.org](http://baycountylibrary.org)



## TEENS (Grades 6-12)

® Registration opens 1 month before at 9 am.

**TEEN LITLOOT BOX®**  
(Grades 9-12)  
Pick up November 1-6

**MIDDLE PAGES LOOT BOX®**  
(Grades 6-8)  
Pick up November 15-20

### NOVEMBER THEME: WWII

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.

Registration begins 4 weeks before boxes go out. You will receive an email when your box is ready for pickup. Any boxes not picked up by the end dates listed above will go to the next person on the waiting list.

## VIRTUAL TEEN CRAFTS

**Fall Rainbow Wall Hanging®**  
Zoom: Tue, Nov 9, 4:00 pm

**Paper Quilled Monogram®**  
Zoom: Thu, Nov 18, 4:00 pm

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

## Dungeons & Dragons Club®

Zoom: Wed, November 10, 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! Call or register via the BCLS online Calendar of Events.



# CHILDREN & FAMILY

® Registration opens 1 month before at 9 am.

## Fall Storytimes

September 27 - November 11, 2021

Join our children's librarians **LIVE on ZOOM**  
ZOOM link is sent to all registrants.

### 2-5 Year-Old

Tuesdays, 10:30-11:00 am  
(Ages 2-5 + participating caregivers)

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

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Thursdays, 10:30-11:00 am  
(Ages 2-5 + participating caregivers)

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### Baby

Wednesdays, 10:30-11:00 am

(Ages birth-23 months + participating caregiver)

Stories, songs, and rhymes, followed by a chance for play!

### Family

Thursdays, 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.



#### TO REGISTER:

Call any branch or visit the Calendar of Events at [www.baycountylibrary.org](http://www.baycountylibrary.org)

## 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.

### Dino-Mania® (Ages 2-5)

Zoom: Wed, Nov 3, 11:00-11:30 am

Join us as we celebrate our favorite prehistoric friends: the Dinosaurs! In this program we'll read some of our favorite dinosaur stories and have tons of dino-related fun!

### Young Scientist: Outer Space® (Ages 2-5 + Adult)

Zoom: Fri, Nov 5, 11:00-11:30 am

Fun scientific exploration through craft guided by our staff.

### Pups & Pages® (Ages 4-12)

Zoom: Sat, Nov 6, 11:00 am-12:00 pm

Zoom: Wed, Nov 17, 5:30-6:30 pm

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

### Decorate a Hand Puppet® (Grades K-5)

Zoom: Wed, Nov 10, 4:15-4:45 pm

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

### Felt Turkey Banner Craft® (Ages 5-12)

Zoom: Mon, Nov 15, 4-4:45 pm

Join us on Zoom to make a turkey-themed felt banner and other autumn crafts!

### Hedgehog Pull-Back Toy® (Grades K-5)

Zoom: Wed, Nov 17, 4:15-4:45 pm

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

### You Choose Book Club® (Ages 6-12)

Zoom: Tue, Nov 16, 4:30-5:00 pm

Zoom: Tue, Nov 30, 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.

### A is for Art: Sensory Leaf Painting® (Ages 2-5 + Adult)

Zoom: Fri, Nov 19, 10:30-11:15 am

Explore the changing colors of the season with this mess free activity!

### Picture Book Family Trivia® (Ages 5-12)

Zoom: Mon, Nov 22, 6:30-7:15 pm

Join us for a virtual family trivia night all about favorite picture books! Answer questions and compete for a prize.

## REINDEER AT PINCONNING LIBRARY



See live reindeer outside  
and pick up a children's  
Grab & Go Craft!

WEDNESDAY,  
DECEMBER 1

5:00-7:00 PM

ALL AGES WELCOME.  
Cameras encouraged.



# READ GRATEFUL

A Gratitude Reading Challenge



## Beanstack Monthly Reading Challenge (All Ages) November 1-30

Slow down, take a deep breath, and take the BCLS “Read Grateful” challenge with some gratitude-themed books to kick off the conversation. Log your reading into our Beanstack site and earn a new set of colorful badges!

Next month’s challenge: “Holidays Around the World”








Download the Beanstack Tracker app or use our site [baycountylibrary.beanstack.org](http://baycountylibrary.beanstack.org)



## NOVEMBER 2021

Daily literacy-building activities to share with your child.



| SUNDAY  | MONDAY  | TUESDAY   | WEDNESDAY  | THURSDAY  | FRIDAY  | SATURDAY   |
|---|---|---|--|---|---|--|
|    | <b>1 WRITING</b><br>Create a list of things to do this month. Hang it up where everyone can see. Have your child check off items as they are completed.   | <b>2 PLAYING</b><br>Go for a walk after dark. Pretend you are an explorer. Talk about what you see.  | <b>3 TALKING</b><br>At the end of the day talk about everything that happened. What did you like best about today?                                 | <b>4 SINGING</b><br>Have a family sing-along. Each person gets to pick a favorite song.     | <b>5 COUNTING</b><br>Draw numbers 1-10 in big puffy letters. Help your child color in each one as you say each one. | <b>6 READING</b><br>Read a book that won the Caldecott Medal. The library will help you find one based on what your child likes. |
| <b>7 WRITING</b><br>Write a message to someone important.                              | <b>8 PLAYING</b><br>Play “I Spy” with rhyming words.<br><i>“I spy with my little eye something that rhymes with hat. Yes, a cat!”</i>   | <b>9 TALKING</b><br>In the morning talk about what you will do today. What are you especially excited to do?  | <b>10 SINGING</b><br>Recite “Rub a Dub Dub.” (Words are on the back. ➡)  | <b>11 COUNTING</b><br>Make a story box together. (Follow the instructions on the back. ➡)  | <b>12 READING</b><br>Read a fiction and nonfiction book about fall. Your library has lots to choose from!           | <b>13 WRITING</b><br>Draw your child’s name in big puffy letters. Help them color in the letters as you say each one.            |
| <b>14 PLAYING</b><br>Make an indoor fort with sheets and furniture. Pretend you are sleeping there overnight. What will you bring? Read a book together in the cozy fort. | <b>15 TALKING</b><br>Wish upon a star tonight. Recite “Star Light, Star Bright.” (Words are on the back. ➡)  | <b>16 SINGING</b><br>Sing a favorite rhyming song. Stop at the end of a line and have your child fill in the word. (See “Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star” on the back. ➡)                  | <b>17 COUNTING</b><br>Take turns naming things that begin with the first letter of your child’s first name.  | <b>18 READING</b><br>Snuggle together and read two favorite books and one new book you haven’t read yet.  | <b>19 WRITING</b><br>Scribble day! Have lots of papers, markers, crayons for your child to scribble and draw.       | <b>20 PLAYING</b><br>Take turns naming animals and making animal sounds.   |
| <b>21 TALKING</b><br>Talk about opposites. Reach high to the sky and low to the ground. Take a big step and a little step.  | <b>22 SINGING</b><br>Play favorite songs. Bounce, tap, clap to songs with rhythm.   | <b>23 COUNTING</b><br>See how many cotton balls you can fit into a variety of different-sized containers.<br><i>“How many can fit in this cup? How many can fit in your pocket?”</i>    | <b>24 READING</b><br>Read a book about Thanksgiving.            | <b>25 WRITING</b><br>Make a book with your child. Draw letters and pictures to tell a story. Tape the pages together.   | <b>26 PLAYING</b><br>Go for a morning walk. Walk slow. Walk fast. (Toddler pace). Repeat.                           | <b>27 TALKING</b><br>Ask your child “What is your favorite toy?” Have a conversation about the answer.                           |
| <b>28 SINGING</b><br>March to a drum. Use any   | <b>29 COUNTING</b><br>Make a number path!   | <b>30 READING</b><br>Read a book about Winter.  | Print the calendar and activities on the BCLS Children’s Department page at <a href="http://www.baycountylibrary.org">www.baycountylibrary.org</a> |   |   |  |

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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