



June 2025

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**SUMMER READING PROGRAM
BEGINS JUNE 11TH!**

FOR
CHILDREN, TEENS, & ADULTS

Our first ever not just for kids
Summer Reading Program!
Read with us this summer and
earn fabulous prizes.
Register at <https://bit.ly/BSDLREADS>

UPCOMING EVENTS

Visit <https://bit.ly/BSDLevents> for a full calendar of events

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Color Our World this summer at the library! Join our team of artists by joining the summer reading program. Children, teens and adults can sign-up and start reading to win fabulous prizes from our amazing local sponsors. Register at the Library or online at <https://bit.ly/BSDLREADS>

Many thanks to our sponsors:

The Friends of BSDL
Bella's Cafe
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The Cool Spot
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Crystal Downs Women's Auxiliary
Frankfort A&W
Frankfort Hardware
The Garden Theater
Kilwins of Frankfort
L'Chaim Delicatessen
Oliver Art Center
Perks of Frankfort
Stormcloud Brewing Co.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

FAMILY STORY TIME

Mondays @ 10:30 a.m. June 16th - August 11th

Join us for stories, music, movement activities and more to celebrate reading, books and the community. Weather permitting, storytime will be held in the lawn next to the library. **Note, On 7/14 and 8/11 storytime will be off site.*

DESTINATION STORY TIME

Join us for Story Time at the following locations:

Crystal Lake Alpaca Farm - Monday, July 14 @ 10:30 a.m.
Frankfort Farmer's Market - Saturday, July 19th @ 10:30 a.m.
Frankfort Farmers market - Saturday, August 2nd @ 10:30 a.m.
Michigan Legacy Art Park - Saturday, August 9th @ 10:00 a.m.
The Drake School - Monday, August 11th @ 10:30 a.m.

LIBRARY FIELD DAY!

Friday, June 20th @ 10:30 a.m.

Help us kick off the Summer Reading Program with Library Field Day! Join us on the lawn next to the library for yard games, activities, prizes and more. Bring the whole family to participate together.

FAMILY FUN: TUESDAYS @ 2

Tuesdays @ 2:00 p.m. June 17th - August 12th

Tuesdays at 2, there is always something to do!

June 17th: Rock Painting
June 24th: Fiber Arts Explorers
July 1st: Open Build Day
July 8th: Camp BSDL
July 15th: Art Class with the Oliver Art Center
July 22nd: Collaborative Art Day
July 29th: Messy Art Day
August 5th: Sunset Landscape Quilt
August 12th: Open Build Day

BEGINNING CROCHET

Thursdays @ 10:30 a.m. July 10th - August 14th

Join this beginner crochet class to learn the basic stitches, grips and knots you need to make all sorts of projects. Space is limited, registration required - please stop by the library or call us at 231-352-4671

FUN FRIDAY!

Friday @ 10:30 a.m. June 27th - August 15th

Get ready to move, groove and have a whole lot of fun in Mineral Springs Park. Story and craft to follow. *Weather permitting. (No Fun Friday on July 4th).*

KORNER GEM FOR KIDS

Wednesday, July 9th @ 11:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m.

Bring in your rocks for identification in the morning and learn to cut and polish rocks in the afternoon.

ADULT PROGRAMS

MONDAY MAH JONG

Mondays @ 1:30 p.m.

Accomplished players and interested participants alike are invited to rattle the tiles and join the fun each Monday from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. in the Library Program Room.

BOOK SHARE

Wednesday, June 18th @ 10:30 a.m.

Join us to talk books! Share what you have read recently and find out what fellow community members have been reading. This is a great way to discover new books! Meets the third Wednesday of the month.

SHADY READS

Tuesdays @ 1:00 p.m., June 24th, July 8th, July 22nd, August 5th

Why read inside when the breeze is just right? Grab your current read (or let us help you find one) and join us under the trees for an hour of quiet, relaxed reading time. Just find yourself a shady spot, and enjoy some light snacks, and book-loving company. *Weather permitting*

SCRIBBLE & SCRIBE

Thursdays @ 4:00 p.m. June 19th - August 14th

Looking for a fun, stress-free way to express yourself? Join us at Scribbles & Scribes—a creative journaling club where you can explore new artistic ideas, reflect on weekly prompts, and leave with something you're proud of! Whether you're a seasoned artist or a beginner, this is the perfect place to draw, doodle, and write your way to mindfulness and inspiration. Drop in anytime or make it a weekly habit! BYOJ (Bring your own Journal). Every week is a new theme to inspire writing, drawing, reflection, and creativity. *No program on July 3rd.*

OPEN CREATE

Fridays @ 2:00 p.m. June 13th - August 15th

Let's party and get arty! Each session we explore something new and creative.

HOOK, NEEDLE & KNITS CRAFT GROUP

Thursdays @ 1:00 p.m. July 10 - August 28

Crochet, knits and fiber arts of all kinds are welcome at this crafting group. Bring a project to work on, or learn a new skill with the help of our volunteers.

JIGSAW PUZZLE CONTEST

Wednesday, July 16th @ 1:00 p.m.

Think fast, puzzle faster. Gather a team of 2-4 puzzlers and compete to complete a 500-piece puzzle in record time. Fastest team or most complete puzzle in 2 hours wins! No team, no problem! If you are planning on flying solo let us know and we will assemble a team for you. Puzzling starts promptly at 1:10 pm. Space is limited, registration required - please stop by the library or call us at 231-352-4671

REVERSE TIE DYE WORKSHOP

Monday, July 21st @ 5:00 p.m.

Try out reverse tie dye, also known as bleach dying, to make unique, repurposed clothing. Basic materials will be provided, but bring any of your own dark colored clothing you'd like to bleach dye! Supplies are limited.

KORNER GEM WORKSHOP PART 1 & 2

Wednesday, June 18th

Rock Identification @ 11:00 a.m., Cut & Polish @ 1:00 p.m.

Whether you're drawn to geology, jewelry-making, or just love learning something new, this is your chance to dig into a truly creative craft. Korner Gem's Kevin Gauthier will be sharing his expertise in all things lapidary in this two part workshop! From rock identification to cutting and polishing stones you will get to explore the art and science of rocks! Registration strongly encouraged. Please stop by the library or call us at 231-352-4671

BENZIE AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY: NON-FICTION WRITING

Tuesday, June 24th @ 11:00 a.m.

Steven Veatch of the Benzie Area Historical Society leads this writing class exploring nonfiction. Aspiring nonfiction writers will leave with foundational tools and strategies to launch their projects, from journalism to memoir.

AUTHOR TALK: Tim Mulherin, This Magnetic North

Monday, June 30th @ 5:30 p.m.

"This Magnetic North" Author and speaker Tim Mulherin shares insights from his newest book, This Magnetic North, which examines the impact of tourism, climate change, and the pandemic on Northern Michigan. Drawing from interviews and fieldwork, Mulherin discusses how these forces are reshaping the region and what it means for the future. Includes readings, behind-the-scenes stories, and an audience Q&A.

LOCAL RADIO: WUWU Coming to You!

Monday, July 14th @ 5:30 p.m.

Get an inside look at WUWU, Elberta's new community radio station, launched in 2024! The creators will walk you through their process of building a radio station and discuss everything from local stories to the future of broadcasting. Whether you're a radio enthusiast or just curious, this event has

something for you!

AUTHOR TALK: Two Books, Two Sides of the Feather

Wednesday, July 30th @ 4:00 p.m.

A discussion about how Sandi and Julia collaborated to revise tropes and inaccuracies regarding Indigenous beliefs and practices in Julia's novel *Copper Magic*. The amended edition, *The Copper Stone*, attempts to reflect deeper understanding and authenticity of Indigenous practices and worldviews. Their process embodied principles explained in Sandi's book *The Path*, a guide for those seeking reconciliation or deeper understanding between individuals or communities of differing backgrounds, worldviews, or belief systems.

ART OF LOOKING

Thursday, August 7th @ 5:00 p.m.

Julie White Pierce, Gallery and Program Director at Oliver Art Center, will discuss an approach to art appreciation she calls the Art of Looking. Topics will include how to define the word "Art", how to discern whether a work was good or bad (or if that is even truly possible), and whether or not in order to designate something as fine art a work has to have qualifiers such as beauty, skill, meaning, and more.

PAYING FOR COLLEGE: The Michigan Education Trust

Monday, August 18th @ 5:30 p.m.

Looking at starting that college fund? Michigan Department of Treasury will share information about the Michigan Education Trust and the Michigan Education Savings Program. Learn how you can gift credit hours to a student and more at 5:30pm.



and now, a message from the director

Stacy Pasche,
Library Director

It seems we were scraping snow off our windshields just a few weeks ago, but summer is finally here and we couldn't be more excited about the incredible season we have planned for you at the library!

This year, our Summer Reading Program is open to readers of **all** ages—yes, that includes adults! From toddlers just discovering the joy of books to lifelong readers looking for their next great story, there's something for everyone. We have engaging activities, fabulous prizes, and special events planned throughout the summer to keep you entertained and inspired.

And getting to the library has never been easier! Thanks to the generous support of the Friends of Benzie Shores District Library, all registered Summer Reading Program participants can enjoy free rides to the library on the Benzie Bus. Stop in to register for the program and learn how you can take advantage of this service.

We can't wait to share summer with you. Join us for a season full of stories, learning, and most importantly, fun!

Kind regards,
Stacy



BOOK SHARE

Join us to talk about books! Share what you have read recently and find out what fellow community members have been reading. This is a great way to discover new books! Meets the 3rd Wednesday of each month @ 10:30 a.m.

Titles shared at the May Book Share:

The Years by Annie Ernaux
Broken Fields by Marcie R. Rendon
War by Bob Woodward
Horse by Geraldine Brooks
The Winners by Fredrik Backman
Valley of Amazement by Amy Tan
The Last Green Valley by Mark Sullivan
Waiting on the Moon by Peter Wolf
The Heart's Invisible Furies by John Boyne
No Two Persons by Erica Bauermeister
Charms for the Easy Life by Kaye Gibbons
The Stolen Queen by Fiona Davis
The Women by Kristen Hannah
Absolution by Alice McDermott
The Lion Women of Tehran by Marjan Kamali
Everything is Tuberculosis by John Green
Nexus by Yuval Noah Harari

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