



# BENZONIA PUBLIC LIBRARY

*Preserving yesterday, enriching today,  
inspiring tomorrow in our community.*

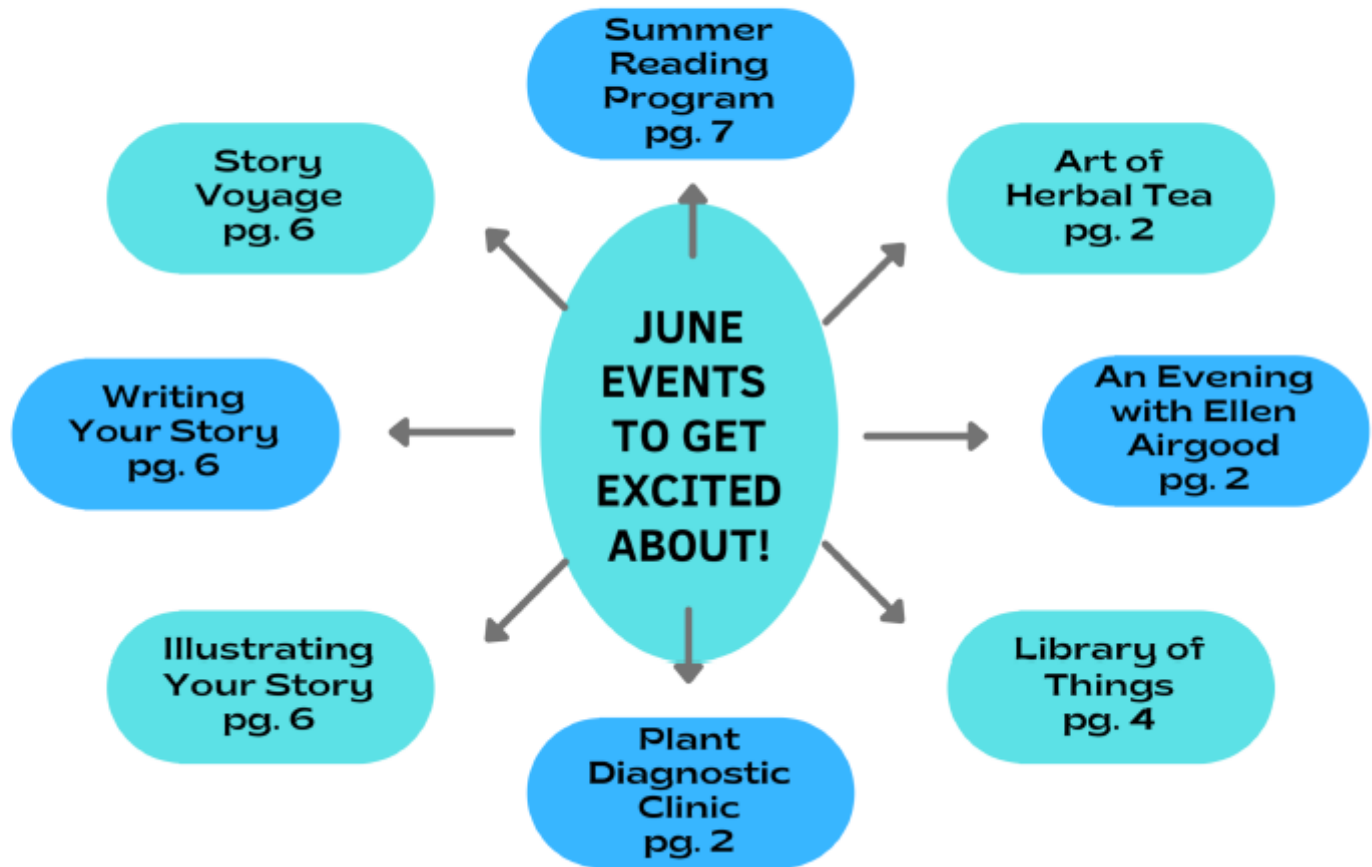
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## JUNE EVENTS TO GET EXCITED ABOUT!

**Explore the Oceans of Possibilities in this newsletter.**



### Activities & Events

- June 1: Summer Reading Registration
- June 2: Friends of BPL meeting
- June 14: Plant Diagnostic Clinic
- June 15: Trustees meeting
- June 16: The Art of Herbal Tea
- June 22: Writing Your Story Program
- June 22: An Evening with Ellen Airgood
- June 23: Summer Reading Program
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- June 30: Summer Reading Program

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### BPL HOURS:

**10am-6pm Monday-Friday**

**10am-2pm Saturday**

*Curbside available*

*M-F, noon-4pm*

**BPL WILL  
CLOSE AT NOON  
Saturday, June 4th**

*For Roxane Miner's  
Memorial service*

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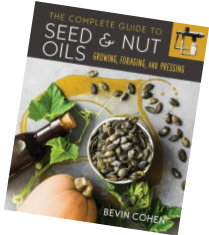
## The Art of Herbal Tea

with Bevin Cohen

**Thursday, June 16, 6:00 pm**

**Benzonia Public Library**

Mills Community House-Upper Level  
891 Michigan Ave., Benzonia, MI, 49616



Blend, brew, and enjoy an irresistible selection of herbal teas while Bevin shares his knowledge on the history and folklore of the various herbal ingredients. Document your impressions of each herb's aroma and flavor as we explore the various layers of a well-crafted herbal tea.

**You'll also create a custom herbal tea to enjoy at home!**

Bevin Cohen is an author, herbalist, seed saver, and owner of Small House Farm in Michigan. He offers workshops and lectures nationwide on the benefits of living closer to the land through seeds, herbs, and locally grown food. Bevin is a freelance writer whose work has appeared in numerous publications, including Mother Earth News, Hobby Farms, Grit Magazine, and the Baker Creek Heirloom Seed Company catalog.

## An Evening with Ellen Airgood

Wednesday, June 22nd at 6pm

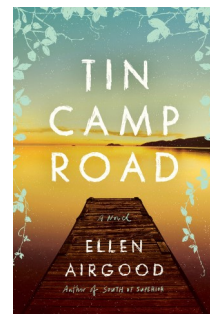
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**Join author Ellen Airgood for a presentation and reading of her book *Tin Camp Road* followed by an audience Q&A.**

Set against the wide-open beauty of Michigan's Upper Peninsula, *Tin Camp Road* is a wise, big hearted novel in which a young single mother and her ten-year-old daughter stand up to the trials of rural poverty and find the community they need in order to survive.

**Author meet and greet following program.  
Books will be available to purchase.**



*Tin Camp Road* was honored with both the UP Notable Book Award and Michigan Notable Book Award.

## Plant Diagnostic Clinic

**Tuesday, June 14th,**

**10 am-2 pm**

**Benzonia Public Library**

891 Michigan Ave., Benzonia

**Bring us your bugs, weeds,  
and plant diseases for identification  
and recommendations!**

MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY | Extension



MSUE will once again host a Plant Diagnostic Clinic at BPL on the 2nd Tuesday, May-September. Staffed by MSUE employees & Extension Master Gardeners, the diagnostic clinic will assist residents with plant pests & diseases, lawn, bug or weed identification & recommendations. For questions about the MSUE diagnostic clinic, call 231-256-9888 or email [waltonn2@msu.edu](mailto:waltonn2@msu.edu).

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## Best wishes and happy retirement to Sue Smith!

If you see Sue be sure to wish her well as she is retiring from Benzonia Public Library at the end of June! Sue has been a welcoming and loving fixture at BPL for many years. First as a volunteer and then as an assistant librarian, Sue has always shared her talents and kindness. Her welcoming ways, heartfelt conversations, and all around awesomeness will be greatly missed! You might still occasionally catch Sue here at BPL as she plans to stay on as a substitute and avid supporter!

We asked Sue for some parting words and this is what she leaves us with...

"It's a big decision, but now is that perfect moment for reflection and relaxation as well as spending more quality time with my loved ones. As I embark on my retirement journey, it is with mixed emotions. I feel excited for the new opportunities and challenges that await me in this next chapter of life, but at the same time, it can be hard to say goodbye to the memories and relationships. What a great staff and patrons I have worked with the past couple years. You will not see the last of me because I will continue to support BPL and the wonderful mission they have to the community. Hope to see you on the trails and the rivers of Benzie County soon."

Thank you, Sue! We send you off with much love and gratitude for the many years of friendliness you have shared with us and the community! Happy trails!



## HotSpots at BPL

**BPL is excited to offer HotSpots that may be borrowed.**

Checkout time is 1 week.

### To borrow a HotSpot you must

- be at least 18 years old and have a valid BPL library card
- read and sign a BPL Library of Things Lending Guidelines and Agreement at the time of checkout.
- *Valid Government issued ID with picture and current address must be presented at checkout. The address on the ID and in the library records must match.*

This Federal Emergency Connectivity Fund (ECF) supported equipment and services can only be provided to patrons who declare they do NOT have access to equipment or services sufficient to access the internet.



# BENZONIA PUBLIC LIBRARY



## LIBRARY OF THINGS



### BENZONIA PUBLIC LIBRARY

## Benzonia Public Library is excited to offer a *Library of Things!*

The Library of Things service supports lifelong learning and creativity. Adult cardholders can borrow practical hands-on items to learn new skills, explore areas of interest, or help with everyday tasks.

The loan period is one week for all Things. Things have an option to renew for an additional week, if no one else has a hold.

Over the next several months, Things will be added to the collection and featured in the newsletter.

You can also view the catalog at [www.benzonialibrary.org](http://www.benzonialibrary.org). Visit often to watch this collection grow!

### Have a suggestion for an item you'd like to see in the collection?

Please send an email to [benzoniaconnect@gmail.com](mailto:benzoniaconnect@gmail.com). We would love to hear from you!

Budget and storage are limited so not all ideas can be used.

## PICKLEBALL SET LT #3

### The perfect starter pack!

Helium Versus 4-Pack Pickleball set comes with everything you need to start playing pickleball with friends and family.

This starter pack includes 4 pickleball paddles, 4 balls, and a drawstring bag to carry everything to the court.



## BEAN BAG TOSS LT #5

### Unplug & get active!

Encourages outdoor activities & family fun. Great for parties.

Includes 2 Wooden Game Boxes & 8 Bean Bags (2 colors-4 each)



## SUMMER FUN REMINDER: BPL HAS A BIRDING KIT LT #1

Every hobby has its essential gear and birding is no exception. Start exploring the world of birding with our kit that includes HD binoculars with neck strap and case, National Geographic Field Guide to Birds and instruction manual all in a handy backpack.

You'll also get a Birding Field Checklist that is yours to keep. Checklist is generated with data from [ebird.org](http://ebird.org), a global database of bird sightings from birders like you. Go to [ebird.org](http://ebird.org) to learn more!



## HOW DO YOU BORROW LIBRARY OF THINGS ITEMS?

- ◆ Before check out, cardholders must sign a Library of Things Agreement acknowledging financial responsibility for overdue, lost, or damaged items.
- ◆ Please note that items must be requested at least 24 hours before expected pick up.
- ◆ To check out a Library of Things item, you need an active Benzonian Public Library card in good standing and be at least 18 years old. You must show your valid Government issued ID with picture at checkout
- ◆ **NOTE: Some items are limited to Benzie County residents only. These item # start with LTBC.**
- ◆ Check out time is one (1) week.

# BENZONIA PUBLIC LIBRARY

## Adult & Young Adult: What's New For You!

### YA

*Alone Out Here*, Riley Redgate  
*Damsel*, Elana K. Arnold  
*Heartbreak Symphony*, Laekan Zea Kemp  
*Practice Girl*, Estelle Laure  
*The Mermaid, The Witch, And The Sea*, Maggie Tokuda-Hall  
*The Truth About White Lies*, Olivia A. Cole

### ADULT—FIC

*22 Seconds*, James Patterson  
*Adult Assembly Required*, Abbi Waxman  
*Bloomsbury Girls*, Natalie Jenner  
*Death Of The Black Widow*, James Patterson  
*Dream Town*, David Baldacci  
*Dreaming Of Flight*, Catherine Ryan Hyde  
*Every Cloak Rolled In Blood*, James Lee Burke  
*A History Of Wild Places*, Shea Ernshaw  
*The Island*, Adrian McKinty  
*The Lifeguards*, Amanda Eyre Ward  
*The Lioness*, Chris Bohjalian  
*Little Souls*, Sandra Dallas  
*Notes On Your Sudden Disappearance*, Alison Espach  
*Our Little World*, Karen Winn  
*The Patron Saint Of Second Chances*, Christine Simon  
*The Perfect Golden Circle*, Benjamin Myers  
*Seven Steeples*, Sara Baume  
*Sisters Of The Sweetwater Fury*, Kinley Bryan  
*Summer At The Cape*, RaeAnne Thayne  
*Summer Love*, Nancy Thayer  
*The Summer Place*, Jennifer Weiner

*Take Your Breath Away*,  
Linwood Barclay  
*This Time Tomorrow*, Emma  
Straub  
*We measure The Earth With  
Our Bodies*, Tsering Yangzom Lama  
*You Made A fool Of Death With Your Beauty*, Akwaeke  
Emezi

### ADULT—NON-FIC

*Canada*, Brendan Sainsbury  
*The Power Of Dignity: How Transforming Justice Can  
Heal Our Communities*, Victoria Pratt  
*Warming Up Julia Child: The Remarkable Figures Who  
Shaped A Legend*, Helen Lefkowitz Horowitz

### AUDIO

*The Diamond Eye*, Kate Quinn  
*Dreaming Of Flight*,  
Catherine Ryan Hyde  
*The Homewreckers*,  
Mary Kay Andrews  
*The Island*, Adrian  
McKinty  
*The Summer Place*,  
Jennifer Weiner

### DVD

*The Batman*  
*Licorice Pizza*

Remember to check out  
the wonderful selection  
of items at  
[www.benzonialibrary.org](http://www.benzonialibrary.org)

Library  
Catalog



## Youth: What's New For

### JUVENILE

*The Edge In Between*, Lorelei Savaryn  
*The Lucky Ones*, Linda Williams Jackson  
*Those Kids From Fawn Creek*, Erin Entrada  
Kelly

### GRAPHIC NOVELS:

*Enola Holmes, #1*, Serena Blasco  
*Sir Ladybug, #1*, Corey R. Tabor  
*Sorceline*, Sylvia Douyé

### EARLY READER SERIES

*Ada Twist And The Disappearing Dogs, #5*, Andrea Beaty



### PICTURE BOOKS

*Being Friends With Dragons*, Katherine  
Locke  
*Build!*, Red Nose Studio  
*Everybody In The Red Brick Building*, Anne  
Wynter  
*Mushroom Rain*, Laura K. Zimmermann  
*Summer's Call*, Amber Lynn Hellewell

### BOARD BOOKS

*Cuddly Critters For Little Geniuses*, Sue  
Patterson

# YOUTH

## STORY VOYAGE at BPL For ages 4-18



### REGISTER \* IMAGINE \* WRITE \* RETURN

**Register** and pick up your supplies  
beginning June 1st at BPL.

**Imagine** your story, you choose the topic.

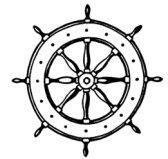
**Write** your story, including art if you'd like.

**Return** your finished story to BPL by 2pm Saturday, July 30, 2022

### You Can Create A Story!!!

With the power of words travel wherever your imagination goes  
or tell of true happenings that you know.

This program was inspired by the story of an 8 year-old who wrote his own book and  
put it on the shelf of his library. Watch the captivating video by KTVB at  
[www.benzonialibrary.org/story\\_voyage](http://www.benzonialibrary.org/story_voyage)



## 2 Special Story Voyage Programs

**Benzonia Public Library**  
891 Michigan Ave., Benzonia

Join us for two FREE programs designed to help you learn  
more about writing & illustrating your stories.

Open to all ages, but geared toward 3rd through 12th grade.

Story Voyage details available at BPL and [www.benzonialibrary.org/story\\_voyage](http://www.benzonialibrary.org/story_voyage)

### WRITING YOUR STORY

with Ellen Airgood  
Wednesday, June 22  
3:00-4:30 pm

In depth Q&A with Ellen Airgood,  
a published author that has been  
writing since the 4th grade.

You can use your imagination to write fiction or  
write a true story about your experiences.

Either way you will learn simple techniques to  
enhance your story and develop  
your theme and characters.



### ILLUSTRATING YOUR STORY

with Connie &  
Jimmy McLaren  
Wednesday, June 29  
3:00-4:30 pm

Former art teacher Connie McLaren  
joined by local artist Jimmy McLaren  
will lead you on an artistic journey.

Learn quick and creative art techniques to bring your  
characters and settings to life. Focus is on  
using colored pencils and ink.

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## Summer Reading 2022 @ BPL Oceans of Possibilities!



**Thursdays at 3:00 pm**  
Weekly Puppet Shows, Activities & Crafts  
**June 23-July 28**  
**@ Benzonia Public Library**  
891 Michigan Ave. Benzonia

**Register beginning June 1st @ BPL.**

**Read books** and fill out reading logs.

The more you read the more chances to win!

**Win Exciting Prizes from our Awesome Sponsors!**



**Join us for a summer of learning and FUN as we sail the seas.**

**June 23 - Prehistoric Seas:** Travel back in time to learn about ancient sea life and the dinosaurs of the deep! Get creative by forming your own fossil! Stick around to dive deeper into the ancient oceans. Learn more about prehistoric life and interact with real sea fossils that are millions of years old.

**June 30 - Sailing the Seas...and Lakes:** Explore the history of traveling across the waters and the diversity of boats around the world. Test your skills by building your own boat from natural materials.

**July 7 - Mysteries of the Deep:** Join us on a deep sea adventure to seek the amazing and strange creatures that live in the darkest depths of the oceans. Then, design your own unique, mysterious deep sea creature!

**July 14 - Coral Reef Discovery:** Strap on your mask and snorkel to admire the colorful beauty of the coral reefs! Learn about these important, fragile ecosystems and build your own coral reef structure.

**July 21 - Sea Creature Showdown:** Learn about and compare similar sea life, then choose your favorites! Sharks vs whales. Squid vs octopus. Which side will you take? Complete the showdown by crafting your favorite.

**July 28 - Finale Party:** Celebrate a summer of discovery and fun with exploration stations, imaginative play and aquatic crafts!



We have a new friend joining the always hilarious **BPL puppet lab** this summer. Stay tuned!

Thursdays, 3 pm,  
June 23-July 28

**Guaranteed fun for all ages.**

## **BABY BINGO @BPL**

**Summer Fun for ages 0-3.**

Featuring activities to enjoy with your little one.

**Bingo sheets available June 1st.**

Pick a prize for each bingo activity sheet turned in by 2pm Saturday, July 30.



Itty Bittys'

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## Board of Trustees

Paula Lake, President  
Jane Sullivan, VP  
Helen Dewey, Trustee  
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Audrey Pittinos, Trustee

Benzonia Public Library Board of Trustees meetings are at 4 pm the 3rd Wednesday of each month in the library building. Meetings are open to the public.

## FRIENDS OF BENZONIA PUBLIC LIBRARY

Providing the little and not so little extras for the Library!

### Friends of BPL Board Members

Roger Dewey, President / Flint Watt, Vice President / Michelle Leines, Treasurer  
Kathy Johnson, Secretary / Ruth Catton, Director / Jimmy McLaren, Director

Meetings are held at 4:30 pm the 1st Thursday each month in the library building.

**Next meeting will be June 2, 2022. Everyone welcome.**



## Corner Book Shoppe @ BPL



Offering for sale a large selection of excellent quality used books & jigsaw puzzles.

**Purchases may be made in BPL during regular library hours.**

Proceeds benefit BPL.

## Donations of Books & Jigsaw Puzzles In Excellent Condition Appreciated

The Friends of BPL accept donations of jigsaw puzzles (with all the pieces) & books. **Must be in excellent condition.**

Donation criteria available at BPL &

[benzoniaconnect@gmail.com/donating-books-and-puzzles](http://benzoniaconnect@gmail.com/donating-books-and-puzzles)

Donations up to 2 bags may be dropped off at the library during regular business hours. DO NOT leave outside or in lobby.

**Larger Donations Must Be Scheduled.**

Call 231-383-3597 to schedule or with questions.



## Up North Digital-OverDrive using the Libby App

Includes eBooks, audiobooks, and eMagazines on your personal device or computer. Visit [benzoniaconnect@gmail.com](http://benzoniaconnect@gmail.com) and click on the UpNorth Digital Collection.

Funded by Friends of BPL.



## Receive BPL Newsletters & Activity Updates via email.

Sign up at [www.benzoniaconnect@gmail.com](http://www.benzoniaconnect@gmail.com)

When you join our mailing list the Friends of BPL will send newsletters plus activity updates.

**JOIN OUR MAILING LIST!**



## Transparent Language Online



The Mid-Michigan Library League (BPL is a proud member!) is providing free access to this wonderful language learning resource. Visit [benzoniaconnect@gmail.com](http://benzoniaconnect@gmail.com) and click on the Transparent Language image.

## New Account: Sign-up Online or in person at BPL

**Don't have an account at BPL?** Apply online for a card that allows borrowing privileges at the library. You'll have access to BPL materials. Benzie County residents and landowners will also have access to e-books and other electronic resources as soon as the account is activated. Visit [benzonia.bibliomix.com/catalog](http://benzonia.bibliomix.com/catalog) & select SIGN UP on the far right of the page. Fill out the online application and upload a copy of your driver's license. Read more about new account requirements & policies at [www.benzoniaconnect@gmail.com/services](http://www.benzoniaconnect@gmail.com/services).

