## UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

### JANUARY 2019
- **1 CLOSED NEW YEAR’S DAY**
- **3 Friends of BPL meeting**
- **7 Computers with Dustin**
- **10 Story Time with Miss Désirée**
- **10 Trustee Meeting**
- **12 Lego Saturday**
- **14 Computers with Dustin**
- **14 Marvelous Art with Mrs. McLaren**
- **17 Story Time with Miss Désirée**
- **21 Computers with Dustin**
- **24 Story Time with Miss Désirée**
- **28 Marvelous Art with Mrs. McLaren**
- **29 Needle Felting Craft Class**
- **31 Story Time with Miss Désirée**

### FEBRUARY 2019
- **4 Computers with Dustin**
- **7 Story Time with Miss Désirée**
- **7 Friends of BPL meeting**
- **9 Lego Saturday**
- **11 Computers with Dustin**
- **11 Marvelous Art with Mrs. McLaren**
- **14 Story Time with Miss Désirée**
- **14 Trustee Meeting**
- **18 Computers with Dustin**
- **21 Story Time with Miss Désirée**
- **22 Community Board Game Design Night**
- **25 Marvelous Art with Mrs. McLaren**
- **28 Story Time with Miss Désirée**

## LEGO Saturdays

**Jan. 12 & Feb. 9 - Noon-2 pm**
Mills Community House-Lower Level
Home of BPL, 891 Michigan Ave (US-31), Benzonia, MI

**IMAGINE IT! CREATE IT!**
Join us for creative LEGO fun. We will provide the Legos and help you bring your vision to reality!!! For boys & girls ages 6 to 106.

For information call 231-882-4111 or visit www.benzonialibrary.org
2018 has been a great year at the Benzonia Public Library!

With the help of an amazing staff, incredible patrons, wonderful board, and the best volunteers we could hope for, Benzonia Public Library has had an awesome year!!!

Thanks to generous donors and the fundraising efforts of our Friends group, we were able to continue popular programs as well as adding many new programs.

Here is a quick look back at what was offered at the Benzonia Public Library in 2018!

♦ Ongoing programs include: Computers with Dustin, Guild of Makers Wednesday, Knitting Group, Craft of the month kits for kids, and Story Time with Miss Désirée
♦ Community Board Game Design Night with Friends from the University of Michigan School of Information
♦ Lego Saturdays: Creative fun for the whole family
♦ Civil War, Valentine’s Day Couples, and King Tut Tomb Discovery: Presented by Maureen Ester, HistoryTeller
♦ Identity Theft Training, Cyber Security, and Self Defense 101: Informative programs sponsored by Honor Bank
♦ Behavior Incentive Day, school visits, and Enrichment classes with Crystal Lake Elementary
♦ eBay Basics: Presented by Steve and Laura Ayers
♦ Great Benzie Read, partnered with the other 3 Benzie County Libraries. Four programs per year
♦ Early Head Start pre-school program
♦ Kids Fun Day Carnival presented by BPL, Betsie Valley District Library and Benzie Central Student Athletes
♦ Teen Lit Club
♦ Mystic Michigan program with author Mark Jager
♦ National Library Week: a week long celebration that included refreshments and special programs:
  ♦ Grown Up Anger with author Daniel Wolff and singer/songwriter Chris Buhalis
  ♦ Maker Day with Friends from the University of Michigan School of Information
♦ Money Smart Kids, presented with the Frankfort Community Federal Credit Union
♦ Little Stones and Break the Chain: programs sponsored by Benzie Area Zonta
♦ Voices from the Past: Special program in partnership with Benzie Area Historical Society
♦ Mark Twain by Al Bryant
♦ Trails and Treasure’s program by Rod Rademacher, author of Michigan Back Roads
♦ Diagnostic clinics offered by Master Gardeners from the MSU Extension
♦ Saving Arcadia with author Heather Shumaker, in partnership with Darcy Library of Beulah
♦ Summer Reading: Libraries Rock, another awesome summer with 245 readers registered and a grand total of 413 kids and parents attending programs in June & July. Prizes for the summer reading drawing were generously donated by local businesses.
♦ Container Garden Class with Audrey and Anna
♦ Dessert Demos with Audrey and Anna
♦ Printmaking Class with Anna
♦ A Year Lost, A Life Gained by author Suzanne Dalton
♦ Becoming Amish with author Jeff Smith
♦ The Edmund Fitzgerald, a storytelling, musical program by Mike Fornes
♦ Taking Better Photos by pro photographer Jeffrey Smith with University of Michigan
♦ Costume Creation Lab with Friends from the University of Michigan School of Information
♦ Marvelous Art with Mrs. McLaren: Fun art classes with local favorite Connie McLaren
♦ Annual Holiday Party with crafts, puppet show, treats, and gift making
♦ Mentoring partnership with Crystal Lake Elementary
♦ Special guest appearances by our friend Pete the Cat
♦ Summer used book sales, used jigsaw puzzle sale, and holiday book sale
♦ Craft classes and craft sale fundraising by Repurposeful Librarians led to many new programs
Great Michigan Read

**X: A Novel**
Ilyasah Shabazz with Kekly Magoon

One title, one state, thousands engaged in literary discussion.

*Presented by the Michigan Humanities Council*

Copies available at BPL.

Computer Basics With Dustin

Stop in and let Dustin help you unlock the mysteries of the computer! You may bring your own or use one of our public computers.

11 am-1 pm
Mondays as listed
Jan. 7, 14 & 21
Feb. 4, 11 & 18
These sessions are FREE!

Great Benzie Read

**The Death and Life of the Great Lakes**
Dan Egan

Thursday, January 17, 2019 @ 6 p.m.
at the Benzie Shores District Library

JOIN THE DISCUSSION! Read the book "The Death and Life of the Great Lakes" by Dan Egan and meet up to talk about it with readers from around the county.

Refreshments provided by the host library, Benzie Shores District Library

**Great Benzie Read**

presented by the Libraries of Benzie County

Easily transform fluffy roving into a perfectly shaped heart ornament using a cookie cutter in this simple needle felting project for beginners.

No experience needed. Class size is limited and is for ages 12 & up.

Guest instructor Sharon Siladke.

CLASS FEE: $5.00 per person. REGISTRATION REQUIRED.

Call BPL at 231-882-4111 to sign-up.

Sponsored by the Friends of Benzie Public Library.

Knit 2 Together
Knitting Group @BPL

**Tuesdays, 1-3 pm**
Benzonia Public Library

Everyone can work on the same project OR join us & work on your own.

Questions on a current project? Bring it along & we’ll help you.
Thank You to everyone who helped make 2018 so successful for the Friends of BPL. YOU can help us make 2019 even BETTER!

How We Raised Money To Help BPL:
- Summer Used Book Sales
- Used Jigsaw Puzzle Sale
- Holiday Used Book Sale
- Holiday Craft Sale
- Little Corner Book Shoppe in BPL
- Craft Booth at Beulah Art Fair
- Mural Card Sales in BPL
- Annual Appeal letter

What We Funded and/or Helped With In 2018:
- Up North Digital Services-OverDrive
- Tech Support & equipment
- Printer for public use
- Collection Development
- Cleaning of carpets & windows
- Pilcrow Foundation: Grant match Children’s books
- Art Classes
- Author Programs
- Behavior Incentive Day
- Board Game Design Night
- Costume Making Lab
- Craft Workshops
- Great Benzie Read
- Guild of Makers
- Holiday Party
- Imagination Station

We couldn’t do this without YOU!

Thank You for:
- Purchasing items at our sales
- Volunteering to help at our sales
- Volunteering to help with activities
- Volunteering to bring refreshments
- Joining the Friends of BPL

YOU ARE AWESOME!

Corner Book Shoppe @BPL
Offering a large selection of excellent quality used books, DVDs, and jigsaw puzzles year-round.

Operated by the Friends of BPL.
Proceeds benefit BPL.

Will You Be Our Friend?
Friends’ membership dues, donations, and fundraising proceeds help support Benzonia Public Library.

Membership start as low as $5.00. Forms are available at BPL and at www.benzonialibrary.org.

Friends of Benzonia Public Library Board Members
Roger Dewey, President * Flint Watt, Vice President * Michelle Leines, Treasurer
Kathy Johnson, Secretary * Ruth Catton, Director * Jimmy McLaren, Director

Board meetings are held at 5:15 pm the 1st Thursday each month at BPL.
Adult & Young Adult: What’s New For You!

**YA**
- *And The Ocean Was Our Sky*, Patrick Ness
- *Archenemies*, Marissa Meyer
- *Dry*, Neal Shusterman
- *A Gentleman’s Guide To Vice And Virtue*, Mackenzie Lee
- *Girls Of Paper And Fire*, Natasha Ngan
- *Imagine Us Happy*, Jennifer Yu
- *Impostors*, Scott Westerfield
- *Kingdom Of Ash*, Sarah J. Maas
- *A Lady’s Guide To Petticoats And Piracy*, Mackenzi Lee
- *Legacy Of Light*, Sarah Raughley
- *A Map Of Days*, Ransom Riggs
- *Otherearth*, Jason Segel
- *A Poison Dark And Drowning*, Jessica Cluess
- *Queen Of Air And Darkness*, Cassandra Clare
- *Sawkill Girls*, Claire Legrand
- *A Shadow Bright And Burning*, Jessica Cluess
- *Shadow Of The Fox*, Julie Kagawa
- *Skyward*, Brandon Sanderson
- *A Sorrow Fierce And Falling*, Jessica Cluess
- *Slow Burn*, Tommy Wallach
- *The Sommoner’s Handbook*, Taran Matharu
- *You Are Everything*, Karen Rivers
- *Your Own Worst Enemy*, Gordon Jack

**ADULT—NON-FIC**
- *Almost Everything: Notes On Hope*, Anne Lamott
- *Becoming*, Michelle Obama
- *Fear:, Trump In The White House*, Bob Woodward
- *The Hour Of Land: A Personal Topography Of America’s National Parks*, Terry Tempest Williams
- *On Tyranny: Twenty Lessons From The Twentieth-century*, Timothy Snyder
- *Ruth Bader Ginsburg: A Life*, Jane Sherron De Hart
- *Tamed: Ten Species That Changed Our World*, Alice Roberts
- *The White Darkness*, David Grann
- *The Whole 30: The 30-day Guide To Total Health And Food Freedom*, Melissa Hartwig

**ADULT—LARGE PRINT**
- *Desperate Measurers*, Stuart Woods
- *Elevation*, Stephen King
- *Vendetta*, Iris Johansen
- *When We Were Young*, Karen Kingsbury

**AUDIO**
- *Dark Sacred Night*, Michael Connelly
- *Forever And A Day*, Anthony Horowitz
- *Kingdom Of The Blind*, Louise Penny
- *The Library Book*, Susan Orlean
- *Nine Perfect Strangers*, Liane Moriarty
- *Night Of Miracles*, Elizabeth Berg
- *The Rain Watcher*, Tatiana de Rosnay
- *The Reckoning*, John Grisham
- *Tony’s Wife*, James Patterson

**DVD**
- *American Assassin*
- *Anabelle*
- *Ant-Man And The Wasp*
- *Christopher Robin*
- *The Darkest Minds*
- *Hereditary*
- *Jurassic World-Fallen Kingdom*
- *Solo: A Star Wars Story*
- *Winchester*

**DVD SERIES**
- *The Affair*, Season 4
- *The Crown*, Season 2
- *The Handmaid’s Tale*, Season 2
- *Longmire*, Season 6

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**MY WEEKEND IS ALL BOOKED**
Youth: What’s New for You!

**JUVENILE**
The Benefits Of Being An Octopus, Ann Braden
The Bookshop Girl, Sylvia Bishop
The Calling Of Morrigan Crow, Jessica Townsend
Diary Of A Wimpy Kid: The Meltdown, Jeff Kinney
Dragonwatch, Brandon Mull
Harry Potter: A History Of Magic, J.K. Rowling
The Law Of Finders Keepers, Sheila Turnage
Louisiana’s Way Home, Kate DiCamillo
Love Like Sky, Leslie C. Youngblood
Lu, Jason Reynolds
My Father’s Words, Patricia MacLachlan
Sasquatch And The Muckleshoot, Adam Gidwitz
Small Spaces, Katherine Arden
Twilight Of The Elves, Zack Loran Clark
Wicked Nix, Lena Coakley
Wrath Of The Dragon King, Brandon Mull

**PICTURE BOOKS**
The Book Tree, Paul Czajak
A Boy And A House, Maja Kastelic
The Boy And The Giant, David Litchfield
The Broken Ornament, Tony DiTerlizzi
Cloud Chaser, Anne-Fleur Drillon
Crash, Splash, Or Moo!, Bob Shea
The Epic Adventures Of Huggie & Stick, Drew Daywalt
Got To Get To Bear’s!, Brian Lies
I Am Human: A Book Of Empathy, Susan Verde
I Don’t Want To Go To Sleep, Dev Petty
I Lost My Tooth!, Mo Willems
Imagine, Juan Felipe Herrera
King Alice, Matthew Cordell
Little Owl’s Snow, Divya Srinivasan
Plum, Sean Hayes
Quiet, Tomie DePaola
The Snowy Nap, Jan Brett
The Stuff Of The Stars, Marion Dane Bauer
Tomorrow I’ll Be Brave, Jessica Hische
A Unicorn Named Sparkle’s First Christmas, Amy Young
The Wall In The Middle Of The Book, Jonis Agee
You’re Snug With Me, Chitra Sounder

**GRAPHIC NOVELS:**
The Battle Of The Labyrinth, Robert Venditti
Phoebe And Her Unicorn In Unicorn Theater, Dana Simpson

**NON-FICTION:**
An Anthology Of Intriguing Animals, Ben Hoare
Disney Ideas Book, Elizabeth Dowsett
Timelines Of Everything, DK

**DVD**
The House With A Clock In It’s Walls
How The Grinch Stole Christmas
The Incredibles 2
Welcome To Monster High

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**Craft of the Month**
Pre-School Hands-On Activity

Ask the librarian for a craft pack, find a comfortable space, and enjoy creating the project at the library. An adult who can help must accompany young crafters.

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**Looking Forward...**
Watch for information coming soon.

- Kids Fun Day: March
- Tangle Class: March
- Michigan Rediscovered: April
- Money Smart Kids: April
- National Library Week, April
- Titanic Remembered: April
- Prime Time Family Reading Time: Apr/May
- Summer Reading Program: June/July
- Even more activities are in the works
Pre-School Story Time with Miss Désirée
Thursdays at 10:30 am
@ Benzonia Public Library
891 Michigan Ave., Benzonia

Another story, please.

Join us to enjoy exciting stories followed by a fun craft.

A time to socialize, make new friends, and hear great stories.

Marvelous Art with Mrs. McLaren
@ Benzonia Public Library
891 Michigan Ave., Benzonia

Artist Connie McLaren, a local favorite, teaches these FUN classes for KIDS.

FREE! All supplies included, sponsored by Friends of BPL.

GRADES 1-3
4:00-5:30 pm
Monday, Jan. 14
Monday, Feb. 11

GRADES 4-6
4:00-5:30 pm
Monday, Jan. 28
Monday, Feb. 25

NOTE GRADE LEVELS FOR EACH DATE.
Audrey Pittinos: Working For You

Audrey Pittinos has been a Beulah resident for 22 years, and she has worked as a Math and Drama teacher at The Pathfinder School in Traverse City for just as long. Before her move from the East Coast, Audrey spent every summer of her childhood enjoying Crystal Lake, and she is lucky to still spend her summer months beside that same lake as she gardens, reads fantasy novels by the pound, and volunteers at the Benzonia Public Library.

Audrey’s relationship with the library began the year she realized her closet was overflowing with novels she had read again and again and no longer needed. Inside that mountain of books, she saw magic and joy and decided to donate the majority of her collection to our library so that others in the community could experience that magic, too. (In fact, it’s possible that any fantasy book you may have borrowed from the library in the last several years first lived in the land of Pittinos.) This relationship with the library bloomed into a friendship as Audrey became a volunteer and spent more hours in the stacks each summer. Gradually, she came to do a bit of everything -- shelving books, prepping arts and crafts projects, placing MeL orders, assisting with special events and the summer reading programs, and organizing cooking classes -- and now she has even been sworn in as one of the Benzonia Public Library’s board members.

The library is like a home away (but not too far!) from home for Audrey. As a board member, educator, and local, Audrey feels grateful to be part of a community that believes in the special powers of language and learning, and she is proud to contribute to a place that provides comfort and utility to Benzonia residents of all ages.

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