



BENZONIA PUBLIC LIBRARY

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

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NEW EXPANDED HOURS AT BPL

Beginning October 1st

Exciting news! Thanks to a grant from Michigan Humanities and the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH), beginning October 1st, Benzonian Public Library will be able to expand operating hours!

We will be open Monday-Friday, 10am-6pm and Saturdays 10am-2pm. Curbside Services will continue Monday-Friday 12pm-4pm. Please share the great news!

Funding for this grant has been provided by Michigan Humanities and the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) as part of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security (CARES) Act economic stabilization plan.

NEW BPL HOURS

Monday 10-6

Tuesday 10-6

Wednesday 10-6

Thursday 10-6

Friday 10-6

Saturday 10-2

Sunday Closed



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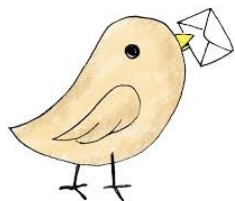
NATIONAL
ENDOWMENT
FOR THE
HUMANITIES

Benzie Central Football Players Honor Benzie County Libraries

On Thursday, September 2nd Benzie Central Football teams honored Benzonian Public Library, Betsie Valley District Library, and Darcy Library of Beulah as part of their season goal to recognize local community organizations that "Learn, Lead and Prevail."

Coach Katt and the amazing assistant coaches, leaders and players specifically recognized that libraries foster inquisitiveness and a thirst to learn.

We truly appreciate the students and coaches recognizing the great work that libraries do in communities.



Friends of BPL Annual Letter of Appeal

2021 fundraising campaign has been launched.

Any and all contributions are Greatly Appreciated!!!

*Working to ensure
adequate funds
for the Benzonian Public
Library through
advocacy, fund raising,
and promotion.*

**THANK YOU to all the wonderful supporters
who donate time, talent, and funds
to help the Friends of BPL
make a difference at the
Benzonian Public Library.**

Friends of BPL Letter of Appeal is available at BPL or visit www.benzonianlibrary.org/friends. Donation envelopes are also available at BPL. Please take a few minutes to read how the Friends, with the help of generous supporters, provide many of the little and not so little extras that make Benzonian Public Library a vibrant part of our community.

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Meeting Room Temporarily Closed

Benzonia Public Library is currently making improvements to the Meeting Room thanks to funding provided by Benzonia Township! Plaster walls will be replaced with drywall. A drop drywall ceiling, new trim, LED lighting, and fresh paint will all be added. A Smart screen, compatible with Bluetooth devices will be installed. This will allow users to easily project for small meetings, programs, and training.

We are excited about the renovation and grateful to the township for their support!

The Meeting Room will soon be available again for public use! Please contact the library with any questions or to make reservations. Call 231-882-4111 or email benzonialibraryconnect@gmail.com.



A few of the cracks & chips to be repaired.

Computer Help with Dustin on the BPL porch (weather permitting)

Bring your Tech Troubles & Your Device to BPL & visit Dustin.

He's on the front porch if weather permits.

In case of bad weather, he will be in the library.

Anyone visiting Dustin inside BPL is required to wear a mask while with him.

1st come, 1st serve. These sessions are FREE!

Mondays (as listed)

11 am-1 pm

October 4, 11 & 18

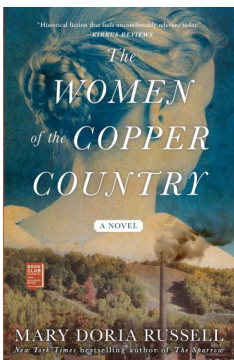
November 1, 8 & 15



COMING IMPROVEMENTS AT BPL

Over the coming weeks many improvements will be added at the library. These are being paid for by Friends of BPL.

Look for photos next month of the additional shelving in the Fiction and Young Adult areas; brochure and newspaper display racks; and a smart screen for the meeting room which will be used for training, presentation, and program purposes.



Great Michigan Read 2021-22

***The Women of the Copper Country* by Mary Doria Russell**

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

Presented by the Michigan Humanities Council.

From the bestselling and award-winning author of The Sparrow, comes "historical fiction that feels uncomfortably relevant today" (Kirkus Reviews) about "America's Joan of Arc"—the courageous woman who started a rebellion by leading a strike against the largest copper mining company in the world.



**Copies available
At BPL**

Michigan Humanities' Great Michigan Read creates a statewide discussion around the humanities themes of a selected book. Through partnerships with libraries, schools, book clubs, and a wide range of other non-profit organizations, the Great Michigan Read facilitates statewide reading and programs to bridge communities around a common conversation.

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Benzonia Public Library Endowment Fund

An endowment fund has been set up at the Grand Traverse Regional Community Foundation. Contributions to this fund will help provide ongoing support to the Benzonia Public Library now and in the future.

GIFTS OF CASH: A cash gift is the simplest way to give. You are eligible for a charitable tax deduction that will provide you with savings on this year's tax return.

- **DONATE ONLINE:** [Make a secure online gift to the Benzonia Public Library Endowment Fund here.](#)
- **MAIL A CHECK:** Community Foundation, 233 Lake Avenue, Suite B, Traverse City, MI 49684. *Make your check payable to the Community Foundation with the **Benzonia Public Library Endowment Fund** noted in the memo line.*



GIFTS OF STOCKS AND BONDS: A gift of your securities, including stocks and bonds, is an easy way for you to make a gift. By making a gift of your appreciated securities, you can avoid paying the capital gains taxes that would otherwise be due if you sold these assets.

**Your support is
Appreciated!**

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

YA

Never Saw You Coming, Erin Hahn

ADULT—FIC

All's Well, Mona Awad
An Untidy Death, Simon Brett
Apples Never Fall, Liane Moriarty
Beautiful World, Where Are You, Sally Rooney
Cloud Cuckoo Land, Anthony Doerr
The Burning, Jonathan Kellerman
Damnation Spring, Ash Davidson
Daughter Of The Morning Star, Craig Johnson
Dead By Dawn, Paul Doiron
Enemy At The Gates, Vince Flynn
Forgotten In Death, J. D. Robb
Harlem Shuffle, Colson Whitehead
The Heron's Cry, Ann Cleeves
High Stakes, Iris Johansen
L.A. Weather, Maraia Amparo Escandon
Lightning Strike, William Kent Krueger
The Magician, Colm Toibin
Matrix, Lauren Groff
A Million Things, Emily Spurr
The Night She Disappeared, Lisa Jewell
Not A Happy Family, Shari Lapena
The People We Keep, Allie Larkin
A Prince And A Spy, Rory Clements
Ramadan Ramsey, Louis Edwards
Rock Paper Scissors, Alice Feeney

The Secret Keepers Of Old Depot Grocery, Amanda Cox
Talk To Me, T, C, Boyle
When Ghosts Come Home, Wiley Cash

ADULT—NON-FIC

The Founding Mothers Of Mackinac Island: The Agatha Biddle Band of 1870, Theresa L. Weller
Tunnel 29: The True Story Of An Extraordinary Escape Beneath The Berlin Wall, Helena Merriman
Vanderbilt, Anderson Cooper
West To Far Michigan: Settling The Lower Peninsula, 1815-1860, Kenneth E. Lewis

ADULT—LARGE PRINT

Infinite Country, Patricia Engle
Robert B. Parker's Stone's Throw, Mike Lupica

AUDIO

The Night She Disappeared, Lisa Jewell
The Noise, James Patterson
A Place Like Home, Rosamunde Pilcher
A Slow Burning Fire, Paula Hawkins

DVD

In The Heights

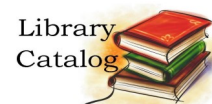
DVD SERIES

Mare Of Easttown, Season 1

CLASSICS AT BPL

If you are looking for old favorites be sure to check out the Classics section at BPL. Many books are being shifted to this area to make more room for new books in both the Fiction and Children's rooms.

Remember to check out the wonderful selection of items in our Library Catalog at www.benzonialibrary.org



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Youth: What's New For You!

JUVENILE

The Last Kids On Earth And The Doomsday Race, #7, Max Brallier

Pax, Journey Home, Sara Pennypacker

School Of Phantoms, Kory Merritt

Willodeen, Katherine Applegate

GRAPHIC NOVELS:

Real Friends, #1, Shannon Hale

Treasure In The Lake, Jason Pamment

EARLY READER SERIES

She Persisted: Harriet Tubman, Andrea Davis

Pinkney

She Persisted: Sally Ride, Atia Abawi

PICTURE BOOKS

Bear Is A Bear, Jonathan Stultzman

Bubbles...Up!, Jacqueline Davies

Change Sings: A Children's Anthem, Amanda Gorman

The Circles All Around Us, Brad Montague

Mighty Miss Maya: See It, Then Be It, Ann Tisdale

DVD

Spirit Untamed



Kids Catalog at BPL

68 topic searches
just for you!

www.benzonialibrary.org

KIDS' CATALOG



PREVIEW OF MORE TITLES COMING SOON...

YA

The Bronzed Beasts, Roshani Chokshi

Into The Dying Light, Katy Rose Pool

You'd Be Home Now, Kathleen Glasgow

JUVENILE

The Beatryce Prophecy, Kate DiCamillo

The Cursed Carnival And Other Calamities, Rick Riordan and Others

Kaleidoscope, Brian Selznick

A Man Called Horse, Glennette Tilly Turner



Newton's Road Visit To BPL

Tuesday, October 19, 2021

2:45-3:15 pm

Representatives from Newton's Road will be visiting BPL on October 19th from 2:45-3:15 pm to celebrate the addition of S.T.E.M. Kits to our library. Please stop in to find out more about this amazing organization.

We are grateful for their donation of S.T.E.M. Kits to our library.



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Story Time with Miss Désirée

Fridays at 11 am

Under the Pavilion at Academy Park next to
Benzonia Public Library
891 Michigan Ave., Benzonia, MI 49616

Join Us for Fun Stories, Activities, and a Take Home Craft Pack

The craft will be demonstrated during the program.

Participants will receive a Story Time bag with information and other goodies.

Inclement weather could cause programs to be cancelled.

Want to be notified of changes and receive Story Time information from Miss Désirée?

Please sign up at www.benzonialibrary.org/story-time-with-miss-desiree

Previous programs from September 2020 through June of 2021 were virtual.

These programs are still available to watch on the

[Benzonia Public Library You Tube Channel](#)



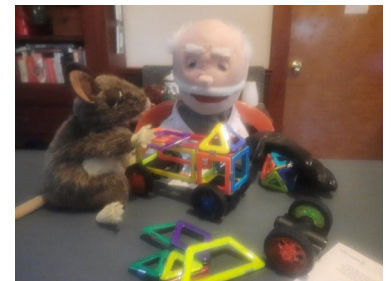
S.T.E.M. Kit Spotlight @ BPL

**Each month we feature a different S.T.E.M. kit
from the amazing selection at Benzonia Public Library.**

GeoSmart Space Truck

KIT #12, ages 5+

Did you know that you can borrow the GeoSmart Space Truck STEM kit from Benzonia Public Library? Explore space with this magnetic Space Truck Geowheels construction set! Build multiple space trucks with this 42-piece set, featuring a train connector to build space trucks with a trailer too. The kit features a variety of different colored Geoshapes and 6 colorful wheels to help children make cool and creative space trucks that will overcome just about any extra-terrestrial terrain! The GeoSmart Space Truck set is an excellent way for children to develop their understanding of STEM concepts with safety in mind while having fun and being creative! Perfect for children 5 years and up who are interested in science and space. GeoSmart features a patented double-locking system for ultimate safety with strong magnets and high-quality materials that enables fun learning at home and in the classroom. Young builders can expand their spatial insight and hand-eye coordination by creating exciting 2D and 3D structures. Dr. Fizz is amazed at how many different types of Space Trucks Boomer has built in one afternoon. They are considering starting their own space program to one day drive one of Boomer's creations on Mars.



Boomer and Dr. Fizz
building a space truck

Contact us at benzonialibraryconnect@gmail.com or 231-882-4111 with questions.

- ◆ Kits can be checked out for one (1) week with one (1) week renewal possible.
- ◆ View kit information and availability at www.benzonialibrary.org. Click the Library Catalog link then type STEM in the search box to see the kit titles. Click a title to see additional details.



The STEM kits vary from hands-on tactile learning, to coding, to a digital microscope & lots of fun stuff in between. A great resource for homeschool, in person, or virtual students!

Many thanks to Traverse Area District Library & Newton's Road for these kits.



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Benzonia Public Library Board of Trustees meetings are at 4 pm the
2nd Wednesday of each month at the library. 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

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

Next meeting is Thursday, October 7, 2021, 4:30 pm.

Corner Book Shopee @ 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 Jigsaw Puzzles Appreciated

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

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.

**Sorry, we will NOT have our big puzzle sale this
year due to insufficient puzzle supply.**



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plus activity updates.



Transparent Language Online



The Mid-Michigan Library League (BPL is a proud
member!) is providing free access to this
wonderful language learning resource
Visit benzonialibrary.org 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 [benzonibia.bibliomix.com/
catalog](http://benzonibia.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.benzonialibrary.org/services.

