



Just A Word



Dear Library Friends,

Summer is here, and our library is buzzing with activity! June brings a fantastic array of programs and events designed to inspire and engage. Our summer reading program has an all new, revamped format! And we have exciting workshops and events for patrons of all ages. Don't forget to sign up for the adult bus trip to Chautauqua! (details below). There's truly something for everyone. We're thrilled to see our community coming together to celebrate the joy of reading and lifelong learning.

A gentle reminder: our Annual Giving opportunity is still ongoing. Your generous contributions are vital. Local resources make up the majority of our funding. Every donation helps us maintain our excellent programs and services, ensuring our library remains a vibrant community hub. Thank you for your continued support!

Warm regards,

Beckie

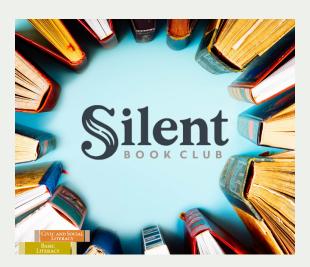
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Chautauqua Institution: Geraldine Brooks

BAPL has organized a bus trip to the Chautauqua Institution to attend author, Geraldine Brooks' speaking event on Thursday, July 25. Geraldine Brooks is the author of the novels: Horse, The Secret Chord, Caleb's Crossing, People of the Book, March (which won the Pulitzer Prize for Fiction in 2006) and Year of Wonders. Registered participants will catch our chartered coach bus at the Bradford Mall (Tractor Supply area) by 11:45AM, with departure slated for 12PM. Our group will arrive at the Institute by 1:15PM and everyone can enjoy the grounds before Brooks takes the stage at 3:30PM. Following her presentation, all participants will depart by 4:45PM and return to Bradford by 6PM. Attendees may bring snacks to enjoy on the bus and are reminded to follow the Institution's latest policies regarding acceptable bags/purses for the grounds (i.e. usually clear plastic). Registered participants will be provided an itinerary and the Institution's bag policy.

REGISTER



Silent Book Club

Meet and share. Join us for a monthly book club without assigned reading. Bring your own book, meet new friends, and spend time sharing what you enjoy! Join us on the first *Saturday of every month at 10:30 AM in the Carnegie Room.* Join the discussions and also get some excellent book recommendations! No Registration Necessary.

Sat., June 1 at 10:30 AM



Cat Cafe

BAPL is collaborating with the McKean County SPCA for our first ever Cat Cafe! Adults are invited to indulge in some quiet reading time with a variety of cats and kittens who will love to curl up in a lap! Bring a favorite book, pull up a chair, and enjoy the feline affection! An added bonus of our Cat Cafe: all of the cats are available for adoption.

Saturday, June 1 (10AM - 12PM)



Adult Summer Passport Program

Let the library take you on an adventure this summer! Pick up an Adult Summer Passport in June and get it stamped every time you attend an adult program and submit a book review! All participants will be entered into monthly sweepstakes to win some amazing gift cards from Starbucks and Barnes & Noble!



Interpreting Lab Values: UPMC Nutritionist Mariann Kahle

This important program will be lead by UPMC certified nutritionist, Mariann Kahle. Participants will learn how foods affect lab results.

Attendees will review a sample lab value sheet and will understand how to interpret the values by the conclusion of this program. They will

also practice label reading, focusing on how carbohydrates, fats, sodium affect lab values.

Wednesday, June 5 at 4:30 pm



Copy Cat

Do you enjoy trying new craft projects? Join us for Copy Cat, where each month we will explore a new craft. In this session of Copy Cat, we will be working with the humble aluminum can! Each registered participant with create a unique, decorative can that can be a home for a houseplant, a pencil holder, or anything! Registered participants will work with paints, Mod Podge, fabrics, and/or glue.

Registration is active beginning on Friday, May 24. Registration is easy. Utilize the link below and register soon, as this program fills very quickly!

Wednesday, June 12 at 6PM.

REGISTER



Tech Tutor Block

Join us from 10 AM – 12 PM

to receive help with BASIC computer questions. Pick up some new skills in a friendly, one-on-one environment. Registration is necessary. Call 814-362-6527. **Registration is necessary**.

Sessions are offered on Tuesday, June 4 and 18.



An Intro to Pennsylvania Native Bees

Dr. Mary Mulcahy is a biology instructor at Pitt-Bradford with an interest in native plants, pollinators, and biodiversity in general. As a Master Gardener volunteer and a member of Pennsylvania Bee Monitoring Team, Mary is working to help researchers at Penn State document native bee species in McKean County. She will give an update on what bee species have been documented so far in our local area and their fascinating natural history. She will share some tips on pollinator friendly yards and introduce the concept of an "equal opportunity garden" that takes an ecosystem view of lawns and home gardens.

This is a free program and no registration is necessary.

Thursday, June 13 at 6PM



Open Book Club

In preparation for the July bus trip to the Chautauqua Institute to see author, Geraldine Brooks, the group will be reading any of her books. The community is welcome to attend and new members are always welcome. This book club meets monthly on the third Saturday of the month at 10:30AM in the library's Carnegie Rm.

Saturday, June 15 at 10:30AM



Adult Trivia Night

Let's test our knowledge of everything during our next Trivia Night! Enjoy the challenge with your team (4 ppl. max.) or play individually. Either way, it is sure to be a blast! Who will emerge victorious? NO REGISTRATION NECESSARY

Tuesday, June 18 at 6PM



Movie Night: Harriet

In observance of Juneteenth, we will be showing the movie, "Harriet" on **Wednesday, June 19 at 6PM**. "The extraordinary story of abolitionist Harriet Tubman is chronicled in this "powerful" drama." ~ New York Times This movie is free and does not require registration.



Adult Lego Challenge

Why should kids have all the fun?! Whether you're rediscovering a childhood passion as an adult or diving into the world of creating and building for the first time, experience the joy and well-being advantages of this newfound hobby. An increasing number of adults are unwinding from the daily stresses of life with some help from Legos! Join us for our second Adult Lego Challenge on **Wed.**, **June 26 at 6PM. Registration is Necessary**.

REGISTER



Fiber Arts Group

Want to learn how to spin your own yarn or create adorable stuffed animals? These members are willing to share their knowledge! Join us **every Thursday from 1PM - 3PM.** All are welcome (i.e. embroiderers, tatting, felting, cross-stitch, crocheting, knitting, etc.).

Thursdays from 1PM - 3PM



Stay Hydrated

Learn the importance of staying hydrated during the summer months and easy ways to achieve this goal. Join Erin Blitz from LIFE Northwest PA, as she shares this vital information. Participants will be provided the ingredients to make fruit infused spa water! This program is FREE. No registration required.

Teen & Tween Programs







BAPL's summer reading program for our teens and tweens, is supported in part by the Pennsylvania Council on the Arts, a state agency funded by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.



Clay Workshop

Pitt-Bradford Director of Arts Programming, Courtney Mealy will lead participants in this creative workshop. Attendees will learn to make jewelry, trinkets, and small statues from clay. Email for more information.

Monday, June 17 from 3 - 5 PM

More Info



Lego Workshop

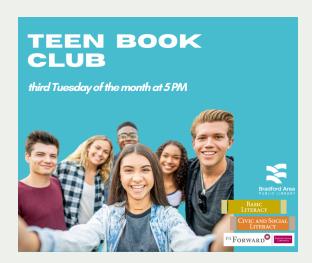
This workshop will be lead by a Pitt-Bradford professor (TBA). Participants will assemble Lego kits depicting world famous

landmarks.

Email for more information.

Tue., June 18 & Thu., June 20 3 -5 PM

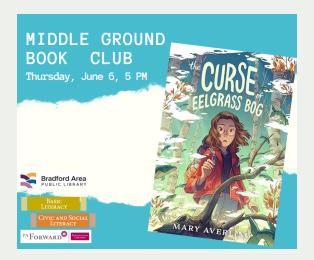
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Teen Book Club

Teen Book Club is open to any local teen in grades 9 - 12. Enjoy free books and pizza at every meeting. New members are always welcome to join. The club meets monthly on the third Tuesday.

Tue., June 18 at 5 PM



Middle Ground Book Club

Club members will meet on **Thursday,June 6 at 5 PM**. The Middle Ground Book Club is open to all local tweens in grades 5 - 8. Enjoy free books and pizza during all meetings.



Teen Patch Poetry

Teens are invited to learn about Patch Poetry. This workshop will be lead by retired English teacher, Marie Troskosky. Email for more information.

Monday, June 24 from 5 - 6:30PM

More Info

Children's Programs



Join us for our summer reading program, Camping Adventures, every **Tuesday from 10AM - 12:30 PM.**Participants will enjoy nine (9) weeks of fun activities as they learn about nature! This free program will be divided into the following groups for age-appropriate learning:

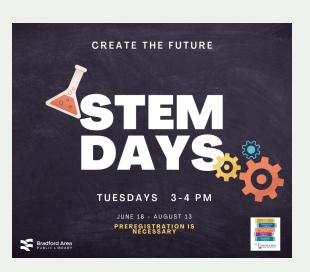
Birth - 5yrs

K - 2nd Grade

3rd - 5th Grade

It's going to be grand adventure!

June 18 - August 13

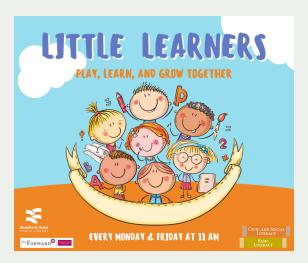


STEM Days

Local students in grades 1 - 5 are invited to attend STEM Days. This program will feature a variety of building, nature, tech, and 'mad science' (AKA: fun chemistry) activities!

REGISTRATION is necessary as space is limited. Use the button below to easily register by email.

REGISTER



Little Learners

Little Learners is a fun-filled program for 0-5 year old children and their parents or caregivers. Hear great stories, and complete a craft or two! Little Learners meets every **Friday at 11 AM**.



Book to Movie Club

Join an awesome club! Local students in grades 3 - 5 are welcome to attend **every Monday from 3 - 4 PM** while we read a few chapters from a great children's book. Once the book is finished, we will watch the movie and enjoy a meal based on the book's theme!



Michael Morton's Petting Zoo

Michael Morton will have his Sun-Dance-Kid farm animals at BAPL for a petting zoo! Begin your weekend at the library and enjoy all the animals.

Friday, June 28 from 11AM - 12PM







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