Participate online at baycountylibrary.beanstack.org or via the Beanstack Tracker app. Paper logs will also be available at your branch. Read or listen for a total of 8 hours to complete the program and earn the following:

**Children (Grades 5 & Under)** For every 8 hours read, children earn a ticket towards raffles for Loons tickets, board games, craft kits, or a Meijer gift card! A list of prizes to choose from is available at your branch.

**Teens (Grades 6-12)** Your name will be entered in a drawing for a chance to win a $25 Amazon gift card. Tickets can also be earned to win board games and Loons tickets!

**Adults** Your name will be entered in a drawing for a chance to win 4 tickets to a Great Lakes Loons baseball game or a gift card worth $10, $25 or $50!

**LEARN MORE ABOUT THE PROGRAM AND PRIZES AT:** www.baycountylibrary.org/WRP
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| **The Evening Sessions** Monthly speaker series | **Held on Both**
| [Image 21x559 to 593x731] | "Yooper Talk" Presented by Author Kathryn Remlinger ®
| [Image 244x25 to 372x158] | Wednesday, January 6 7:00-8:00 pm
| [Image 22x15 to 88x88] | Author Kathryn Remlinger will discuss her book "Yooper Talk: Dialect as Identity in Michigan's Upper Peninsula".
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| [Image 43x746] | "Gangsters Up North" Presented by Author Robert Knapp ®
| [Image 43x746] | Wednesday, January 20 7:00-8:00 pm

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### Adult Virtual Craft - Winter Wreath ®

**Tue, Jan 12, 6:00 pm**

This program will be held virtually via Zoom. Registration is required to receive the Zoom link (by phone or via our online calendar of events). All supplies except a glue gun will be ready for pickup 2 weeks in advance at the branch you select during registration.

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### Zoom Book Discussion ®

*The Good Earth* by Pearl Buck

**Mon, Jan 11, 2:00-3:00 pm**

Everyone is welcome to join! Registration is required to receive the Zoom link and book title. Call 989-892-8555, ext. 202 to register.

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### Read What You Want Book Club ®

**Wed, Jan 27, 7:00 pm**

Part book club, part social hour. Readers bring whatever book they read the past month to share with the group. Registration required to receive the Zoom link.

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### Teens (Grades 6-12) | Teens (Grades 6-12) |

| NEW! Teen LitLoot Boxes ® | ALL PROGRAMMING IS CURRENTLY HELD VIRTUALLY
| January Theme: Fantasy | ® Registration opens 1 month before at 9 am |

We’re now offering a subscription service for grades 6-12! Each Lit Loot Box contains one library book related to the box’s theme, a book to keep, and a few complimentary treats or a craft. Check out the box, enjoy the treats, then return the library book and box. Books can be renewed, if you need more time.

To sign up, go to the Calendar of Events on the BCLS website beginning one month before boxes go out (week of January 4). You will receive an email when your box is ready for pickup. Any boxes not picked up by January 9 will go to the next person on the waiting list.

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### Dungeons and Dragons for Teens: Online ®

**Ages 13-18**

**Wed, Jan 13, 3:30-5:30 pm**

Use your wit, skill, and some lucky rolls of the dice to create characters, fight bad guys, and maybe even save the world. No experience necessary! Limited slots available. Call or register via the BCLS online Calendar of Events.

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### Virtual Crafts for Teens

**Decoupage a Glass Plate or Bowl ®**

**Thu, Jan 14, 4:00 pm**

Please register via the BCLS online Calendar of Events. Supplies must be picked up before the program.

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### No Sew Pillows ®

**Tue, Jan 26, 4:00 pm**

Please register via the BCLS online Calendar of Events. Supplies must be picked up before the program.
Winter Session Storytimes via Zoom ®
January 4 - February 18

Join our children’s librarians live on Zoom for fun with stories, music, activities and more! Zoom information will be sent automatically to registered families.

Baby Storytime (Ages birth-23 months + participating caregiver)
Wednesdays, 10:30-11:00 am
Stories, songs, and rhymes followed by a chance for play!

2-5 Year-Old Storytime (Ages 2-5 + participating caregiver)
Tuesdays, 10:30-11:00 am
Preschoolers develop a love of reading through stories, rhymes, music, movement and more!

Family Storytime (Ages 6 and under + participating caregiver)
Thursdays, 6:30-7:00 pm
Stories, music, movement and rhymes that develop early literacy skills and encourage everyone in the family to share their love of reading.

BCLS READING CHALLENGES ON BEANSTACK
Have you tried one of the online reading programs on our Beanstack site? Take a look at the challenges below and then get started at baycountylibrary.beanstack.org or the free Beanstack Tracker app, which is available on both the App Store and Google Play.

Read Woke Challenge (All Ages)
Literature is one way to explore difficult issues, such as racism and inequality. There are 10 categories in the challenge, including compiled lists of recommended reading to help you discover diverse books.

1000 Books Before Kindergarten (Ages 0-Entering Kindergarten)
By reading just one book a night, families can reach the 1,000-book goal in three years, while providing children essential early literacy skills.

Future Librarian Training (Grades Preschool-5)
Children earn digital badges as they discover how to search our catalog, research family history, and other fun activities based on the principles of librarianship!

Snowman Ornament ®
Wed, Jan 13, 4:15-4:45 pm

Colorful Winter Trees ®
Wed, Jan 27, 4:15-4:45 pm

All supplies are available at your branch 2 weeks before the program. We request an adult supervise all children participating in these crafts in case they require assistance. Call or register via our website Calendar of Events to receive the Zoom link.

Pups & Pages ®
(Ages 4-12)
Thu, Jan 21, 5:30-6:30 pm
Children read to a therapy dog or dog in training in a 1-on-1 Zoom session.

STEAM Explorers: Optical Illusions ®
(Ages 6-12)
Tue, Jan 26, 4:30 pm
Learn about some of the most famous illusions, how pictures can trick your eye and brain, and some secrets of illusion magic! We’ll make our own illusions using some of the tricks and facts we discover.
Choose Your Own Adventure Book Club ® (Ages 6-12)
Tue, Jan 5 and Tue, Jan 19, 4:30 pm
Join us for a Choose Your Own Adventure! We'll blend fun activities with Zoom voting to choose the story together, and hopefully survive the adventure.

Dog Safety ® (Family/Children)
Wed, Jan 6, 6:00-7:00 pm
Jill Chanel, Therapy Dog Instructor from Kaybee's K9 Training & Spa, will use live dogs to help her teach you dog safety procedures. Registration is required to receive the Zoom link.

Virtual Disney Trivia ® (Family)
Mon, Jan 25, 6:30-7:30 pm
Join us on Zoom for a virtual family trivia night! Answer Disney-themed questions and compete for a prize. We request an adult supervise participants in case they require assistance with the technology. Registration is required to receive the Zoom link.
COATS FOR KIDS
In partnership with the Salvation Army of Bay City, all BCLS branches are drop-off locations for the Coats for Kids program!

Please note: new or gently used coats are accepted for ALL AGES, not just children. Donation boxes are located inside the libraries through the second week in January.

Smitten with Mittens: Hat, Scarf & Mitten Drive
January 4 - February 27
Let’s help kids and families in our community keep warm during the winter months! All BCLS branches are accepting donations of NEW winter hats, gloves or scarves in all child and adult sizes.

Bay City Holiday Light Recycling Drive
THROUGH JANUARY 15
Don’t throw away your holiday lights! Drop them off in the collection carts at WIRT and SAGE libraries.

Grab & Go Crafts
Available through January 30 while supplies last.

ADULTS
Snowman Craft
Available beginning Tuesday, January 12. Supplies and instructions are included in each bag.

CHILDREN (Ages 3-12*)
TEENS (Grades 6-12)
New craft every Monday!
(Tuesdays at branches closed on Mondays)
Stop by every week to pick up a craft to take home and create! Supplies and instructions are included.
*Children should be at least age 3 due to small pieces.

CURBSIDE PICKUP.
Call your branch to schedule.
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Holiday Closings (All Branches)
- December 31 (at 5:00 pm) - January 1
- All day January 18