

BRANCH DISTRICT LIBRARY

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JUNE & JULY 2024

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ADVENTURE  
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**LIBRARY HOURS**

**Alganssee**

Mon., Wed., Fri.:  
11:00 - 5:00

Tue., Thu.: 12:00 - 5:00,  
Sat: 9:00 - 1:00

**Bronson**

Mon. - Fri.: 10:00 - 6:00  
Sat.: 10:00 - 1:00

**Coldwater**

Mon.: 10:00 - 7:00  
Tue. - Fri.: 9:00 - 7:00  
Sat.: 9:00 - 4:00

**Quincy**

Mon., Tue.: 10:00 - 5:30  
Wed.: 10:00 - 6:00  
Thu., Fri.: 10:00 - 5:30  
Sat.: 10:00 - 1:00

**Sherwood**

Mon.: 1:00 - 5:00  
Tue.: 9:00 - 6:00  
Wed.: 8:00 - 2:00  
Thu.: 9:00 - 5:00  
Fri.: 1:00 - 5:00  
Sat.: 9:00 - 4:00

**Lucille E. Dearth  
Union Twp.**

Mon.: 1:00 - 5:00  
Tue.: 9:00 - 6:00  
Wed., Thu.: 9:00 - 5:00  
Fri.: 9:00 - 4:00  
Sat.: 9:00 - 1:00

**ALL LOCATIONS CLOSED**

Thursday, July 4

**PROGRAM REGISTRATION**

Opens 45 days before the event. Save your spot by using our Events Calendar or by calling/visiting any library branch.

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**ADVENTURE  
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**June 3–July 27**



**READ** whatever you want all summer long!



**KIDS and TEENS** who complete all their reading activities will get a 2024 Fair Pass.

Branch District Library is where the adventure begins this summer!

- Rewarding reading challenges.
- Exciting outdoor events.
- Engaging storytimes.
- Free programming and activities for everyone.

Fill your summer with fun at your local Library!



SCAN ME

Sign up at any branch or at

[BranchDistrictLibrary.org/srp](http://BranchDistrictLibrary.org/srp)

Track your reading challenges with Beanstack! Paper logs will be available. >>>



## ALGANSEE

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### Tuesday Tales

*For ages 1-5.*

Join us for songs, games, crafts, and stories as we explore books together. **Held at 1070 E. Central Rd., in Quincy at Paula Preston's Daycare.**

**Weekly on Tue. at 10:30**

### Adventure Club

The adventure truly begins at the library this summer as we check off our summer bucket list items each week. Dress to get messy.

**Weekly on Tue. at 3:30**

### Little Explorers Storytime

*For ages 1-5.*

Join us for songs, games, crafts, and stories as we explore books together.

**Weekly on Wed. at 11:00**

### Popsicles on the Porch

Each week our adventure will begin in the pages of a book, while we enjoy some frozen treats to beat the summer heat.

**Weekly on Thu. at 3:30**

### The Adventure Begins

It's a carnival party as we kick off our summer of adventures. There will be games, snow-cones, and best of all, you can sign up for the Summer Reading Program!

**Fri., June 7, 4:00**

### NO-SCHOOL PJ Party!

Celebrate summer vacation while watching the movie *Recess* in your pajamas.

**Mon., June 10, 3:00**

### A Very Magic (kind-of) Tree House

Use your imagination and awesome friends to create a one-of-a-kind cardboard tree house in the library's backyard.

**Fri., June 14, 3:30**

### The Great NERF War

War is about to be declared at Algansee. It will be every person for themselves as they defend with only their wit and NERF weapons.

**Fri., June 21, 3:30**

### Spy Kids Training Camp

Prepare to become a secret spy, just like the ones you've read about.

**Fri., June 28, 3:30**

### Escape the Campsite

Survival skills will be tested as you and your fellow campers work together to escape the perilous campsite.

**Fri., July 12, 3:30**

### Wild Things on the Loose

Meet up with our other village wild things and enjoy an afternoon of imagination and play in the backyard.

**Fri., July 19, 3:30**

### Race Car Challenge

It's a race to the finish line for Summer Reading. Grab your imagination and a cardboard box to create your own car to race in the Algansee Grand Prix.

**Fri., July 26, 3:30**

### Coffee and Craft

Bring your own craft, or not, and join everyone for coffee/tea and social time.

**Mon., June 10, July 15, 1:00**

### Turtle Canvas Art <sup>®</sup>

Welcome summer with turtles as we create a canvas using acrylics and sand.

**Mon., June 3, 1:00**

### Floral Candles <sup>®</sup>

Make floral-scented candles with Linda, using beeswax and essential oils.

**Mon., June 17, 1:00**

### Suncatcher Craft <sup>®</sup>

Create a whimsical suncatcher out of recycled lids, using a variety of techniques.

**Mon., July 8, 1:00**

### Skin Balm <sup>®</sup>

Learn how to create your own soothing skin balm with natural ingredients.

**Mon., July 22, 1:00**



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## BRONSON

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### Toddler Time Storytime

*For ages baby-3.*

Join us for stories, fingerplays, songs, and playtime. This program is best for baby - 3 years, but all ages are welcome.

**Weekly on Thu. at 10:15**

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### Friday Tales

*For ages 3-5.*

Join us for stories, fingerplays, songs, and simple crafts. This program is best for ages 3-5, but all ages are welcome.

**Weekly on Fri. at 10:15**

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### Stories and More

*For ages 6-11.*

A weekly event for youth combining books and fun activities.

June 6: *Hiking in Nature.* Creating flora/fauna quadrants.

June 13: *Encyclopedia Brown and the Case of the Treasure Hunt.* Dig through sand to locate treasure.

June 20: *Planet Name Game* Take a ping pong ball and make your own planet.

June 27: *The Clue in the Crossword Cipher.* Make your very own cipher (a way to write secret messages).

July 11: *Curious About Camping.* Make a small camp site to take home.

July 18: *I Spy.* Go on a library scavenger hunt both inside and outside.

July 25: *Dooby Dooby Moo* with a talent Show put on by YOU!

**Weekly on Thu. at 1:00**

### Kids Create

*For ages 6-11.*

A weekly events for kids to unleash their creativity!

June 7: Create a picture collage.

June 14: Learn how to read a map and then make your own.

June 21: Using your name, you will create a special piece of art to take home and enjoy.

June 28: Learn the steps to paint a beautiful tropical sunset.

July 5: Tell a story using Story Stones and then make some to take home.

July 12: LEGO Challenge

July 26: Make mini parachutes and test them to see if we can get our little jumper to the ground safely.

**Weekly on Fri. at 1:00**

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### Bubble Science **R**

A fun and educational interactive program. Learn more about bubbles than you ever thought possible!

**Mon., June 17, 10:15**

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### Cotton Candy **R**

This wonderful program explores the science behind a popular treat. Learn how cotton candy was first invented back in 1897 and how it is made today. Chemists of all ages will enjoy this fascinating program. It tastes good, too!

**Mon., July 8, 10:15**

### Coffee House

*For ages 11-17.*

Teens and tweens - get ready to dive into our epic weekly event made just for you. Every week, a new fun activity awaits!

June 3: Travel Tile Coaster

June 10: Constellation Jars

June 17: Strawberry Boba Tea

June 24: Unbreakable Code

July 1: Roller Coaster Fun

July 8: Library Olympics

July 15: Paper Circuit Art

July 22: Adventure Cupcakes

**Weekly on Mon. at 2:00**

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### Noon Movies

Bring your lunch or snack, a blanket or jacket (it gets cold downstairs!) and come enjoy a new movie every week.

June 5: *Pete's Dragon* (1977)

June 12: *Rescuers*

June 19: *Robin Hood*

June 26: *Land Before Time*

July 3: *A Bug's Life*

July 10: *Chicken Little*

July 17: *Tangled*

July 24: *Open Season*

**Weekly on Wed. at 12:00**

Key: [Children's events](#) | [Teen events](#) | [All-Ages events](#) | [Adult events](#)

## BRONSON (continued)

### Book Lovers R' Us

Come for coffee and doughnuts and share what books you read last month.

**Mon., June 3, July 1, 10:15**

### Patriotic Clothespin Wreath

By painting clothespins you will create a fun 9" patriotic wreath to proudly display for the 4th of July!

**Thu., June 20, 4:30**

### Adult Craft - Coloring

Enjoy some of our beautiful coloring pages. Sit, relax and visit with friends. Refreshments will be served.

**Thu., July 25, 4:30**



# FOAM PARTY

**FOOD TRUCKS!**

**BUBBLES!**

**Party with us at the grand finale of the  
2024 Summer Reading Program!**

**Gather at Heritage Park in Coldwater for a bubbly blast and loads of free family fun!**

**Completing our Summer Reading Program earns you a VIP FastPass for turbo-charged foam festivities!**



**Sign the online  
waiver before the  
FOAM FUN!**

**JULY 31  
6:00-8:00**

**Youth Baseball  
Complex Parking Lot  
off Northshore Drive**

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# SUMMER PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

Summer means non-stop excitement at the library! Get ready to jump into thrilling events for kids and teens to beat the summer blues.

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## BIG TY'M FUN - VIDEO GAME TRUCK TUESDAY, JUNE 11, 1:00 - 4:00 QUINCY BRANCH

Big Ty'm Fun will join us for three FUN hours of nothing but video games! Called Michigan's BEST game truck with 5 HUGE TV's, laser lights, neon glow, and the best games! Come check out what games they have & bring your friends to play!



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## EXTREME DUCT TAPE WORKSHOP WEDNESDAY, JUNE 12, 1:00 UNION TWP. BRANCH

I tape, you tape, we all love to tape! Participants will design and create bookmarks, bracelets, wallets, and purses. All supplies will be provided. Registration is required for this free program for kids and teens. Sign up by calling any library location or online using our Event Calendar.



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## BUBBLE SCIENCE MONDAY, JUNE 17, 10:15 BRONSON BRANCH

Get involved in the excitement as this interactive program takes you up, up, and away! Explore bubbles of various types and shapes formed from diverse solutions. Witness the creation of a giant bubble big enough to envelop a person! Sign up by calling any library location or online using our Event Calendar.





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**MAD SCIENCE WORKSHOP  
FRIDAY, JUNE 28  
UNION TWP. BRANCH, 10:00  
COLDWATER BRANCH, 1:00**

Mad Science from Detroit will be at the Union Twp. Branch and the Coldwater Branch to explore the exciting world of science. Their out-of-this-world, highly interactive, and fun demonstrations will wow the scientists in us all!

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**COTTON CANDY  
MONDAY, JULY 8, 10:15  
BRONSON BRANCH**

The Science of Cotton Candy is a wonderful program that explores the science behind a popular treat. Learn how cotton candy was first invented back in 1897 and how it is made today. Registration is required for this free program for kids and teens. Sign up by calling any library location or online using our Event Calendar.



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**BALLOON SCULPTING CREATIONS  
FRIDAY, JULY 26, 1:00  
UNION TWP. BRANCH**

Mr. Jim is back. This time with balloon sculpting. He will give step-by-step demonstrations of balloon animal creations. Every participant will be allowed to create and take home their own "flying mouse" creation.

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## COLDWATER

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### Storytime

Join us to read, write, sing, talk, and play!

**Weekly on Tue. at 10:30**

### Tween Book Read Aloud

*For ages 10-15.*

Library staff and special guests will read books, have a special activity and provide snacks!

**Weekly on Thu. at 3:30**

### PJ Storytime

Snuggle in for a calming family storytime that focuses on the elements of literacy: read, write, sing, talk, and play!

**Weekly on Thu. at 5:30**

### What the Hoot?!

Kahoot for Kids! Test out your colors, shapes, sounds, and other trivia knowledge and enjoy a snack!

**Tue., June 4, July 2, 3:00**

### Get Craftin'

Stop in for a chance to get your crafting on with different materials and projects each time!

**Wed., June 5, June 19, July 3, July 17, 4:00**

### Pen Pals

*For ages 5-12.*

Become pen pals with library staff and write letters back and forth! Create custom stationary and try out different lettering/letter sealing techniques.

**Fri., June 7, July 5, 5:00**

### Movie Night

Join us for a film and snack!

June 28: *How to Train Your Dragon*

July 19: *Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs 2*

**Fri., June 28, July 19, 4:00**

### Junior Detectives **R**

*For ages 7-12.*

Join a CSI Detective Mystery Party Game at the library. Search for clues to solve the "Case of the Missing Donuts".

**Sat., June 8, 1:00**

### Father's Day Craft

To celebrate the father figures in our lives, make a shrinky dink keychain and card.

**Sat., June 15, 10:00**

### Fun 'n the Sun

Stop in and enjoy a day filled with sunshine, popsicles, art, and outdoor games.

**Mon., June 24, 11:00 - 1:00**

### Mad Science: **R** Che-Mystery!

*For ages 5-12.*

Join Mad Science from Detroit performing hands on learning experience with chemical reactions!

**Fri., June 28, 1:00**

### Stuffie Sleep Over

Bring your favorite stuffed animal and enjoy activities before leaving them to spend the night at the library! Please pick up stuffies by 6:00 on Friday, July 12.

**Thu., July 11, 5:30**

### Tween Constellation Jars **R**

*For ages 10-15.*

Tweens will learn about the constellations and create their own star jar to take home.

**Fri., July 12, 2:00**





## COLDWATER (continued)

### DIY Toad Houses R

For ages 5-12.  
Enhance your yard by creating a cozy home for toads using terracotta pots, paint, and stones.

**Fri., July 12, 4:00**

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### Art Club

Learn tips and tricks from an artist to create something totally unique to take home.

**Mon., June 3, July 1, 5:00**

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### Flashback Game Night

Have a blast from your past with a night of nostalgic board games.

**Fri., June 7, July 5, 5:00**

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### Teen Tote Bags

Kick off Summer Reading by decorating your own canvas tote bag with patches and paint. Then fill your bag with books to keep you reading all summer long!

**Mon., June 3 - Fri., June 7,**

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### YA Book Club

Meet to discuss popular young adult titles!

June 18: *Five Survive* by Holly Jackson

July 16: *Daughter of the Pirate King* by Tricia Levenseller

**Tue., June 18, July 16, 4:00**

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### Teen Trivia

Put your knowledge to the test with a trivia competition. Winner gets a gift card!

**Fri., June 21, July 19, 5:00**

### Eras Tour Watch Party R

Calling all SWIFTIES! Let's watch the Eras tour, make a bestie bracelet, and have some snacks.

**Fri., June 14, 4:00**

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### S'mores & Spooky Movie

Join us to watch *Are You Afraid of the Dark?* and enjoy a tasty s'mores treat.

**Tue., June 19, 2:00**

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### Glass Map Pendant R

Make your own glass pendant necklace featuring a unique map location inside the charm.

**Tue., June 25, 4:00**

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### Teen/Tween Anime Night

*Ages 10-18*  
Watch anime and have a Japanese-inspired snack!

**Wed., June 26, 4:00**

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### Break-In Box

Work together to solve riddles and puzzles that will help you "break in" to our lock box where prizes await. Plan on 45 minutes for this program.

**Mon., July 15, 4:00**

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### Teen/Tween Anime Marathon

*Ages 10-18*  
Watch anime and have a Japanese-inspired snack!

**Wed., July 24, 11:00-6:00**

### Adventure Movie Matinee

Join us for a fan-favorite, retro adventure movie. All movies will be rated PG.

**Weekly on Mon. at 2:00**

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### "Classics" Book Club

Do you enjoy reading juvenile classic novels? Well this is the book club for you! Each month we will read a different classic novel and join together to chat about the book in a non-traditional book club setting!

June 10: *Box Car Children* by Gertrude Chandler Warner

July 8: *The One and Only Ivan* by Katherine Applegate

**Mon., June 10, July 8, 4:00**

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### Spray Painting with Ben R

For ages 10 and up.  
Learn artistic spray painting techniques with local artist Ben Lyon.

**Tue., June 11, 3:00**

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### Krazy about Cats R People Party

For ages 5 and up.  
Let's get crazy about cats! If you love cats then this event is for you. We will make a cat tote bag, decorate cat-shaped treats and watch cute cat videos!

**Wed., June 12, 4:00**

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### Every Now and Zen

Find your zen, relax, and participate in the art of yoga! Whether this is your first class or you hundredth class, all are welcome!

**Fri., June 21, July 26, 3:00**

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## COLDWATER (continued)

### Fireflies: Nature's Fireworks!

It's World Firefly Day! Learn how and why these fascinating insects light up our summer nights.

**Tue., July 2, 5:00**

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### Live-Action Oregon Trail **R**

*For ages 10 and up.*  
We are bringing the iconic Oregon Trail game to life! Groups will work together to test their survival skills in a series of hands-on challenges. Groups of up to 8 people can register for one of five, 45-minute time slots.

**Wed., July 10, 12:00 – 5:00**

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### Personalized Tie Dye Beach Towel **R**

*For ages 6 and up.*  
Make a beach towel with your name on it.

**Wed., July 10, 3:00**

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### Wonder Wheels BMX Stunt Show

In this jaw-dropping stunt show, watch professional BMX riders perform a variety of flips and tricks. Bleacher seating will be available (or bring a blanket or lawn chair). This program is supported by the Branch County Community Foundation's Youth Advisory Council. **Held at Heritage Park near the youth baseball fields.**

**Fri., July 26, 5:00**

### Romance Book Club

Enjoy a good book, with a guaranteed happily ever after with good company!

June 11: *At First Spite* by Olivia Dade

July 9: *Game On* by Seressia Glass

**Tue., June 11, July 9, 4:00**

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### Morning Book Club

This fiction/nonfiction book club explores a diverse array of literature.

June 26: *Mycroft Holmes* by Kareem Abdul-Jabbar

July 24: *The 7 1/2 Deaths of Evelyn Hardcastle* by Stuart Turton

**Wed., June 26, July 24, 10:00**

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### Afternoon Tea **R**

Discover the history of tea and learn how some of our native plants can be used to make tasty teas with a variety of health benefits.

**Wed., June 5, 3:00**

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### Edible Plant Exchange

This is an opportunity for local plant lovers to come together, meet each other, and exchange edible plants for their garden.

**Thu., June 13, 1:00**

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### MyHeritage 101 **R**

Learn how to use the MyHeritage database to help with your genealogical research.

**Thu., June 13, 5:00**

### Meet Libby! **R**

Join us for a Libby 101 class. We will go over how to check out books, place books on hold, subscribe to your favorite magazine, and much more!

**Mon., June 17 or July 15, 5:00**

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### Special Verve Romance Book Club **R**

Come read a special romance novella that you get to keep compliments of Verve Romance! We will be meeting at Biggby Coffee to have some delicious drinks and chat about our book, *A Little Bit Dirty* by Willow Winters. Eight free books are available for pick up beginning June 1st. **Held at 857 E Chicago St. at Biggby Coffee in Coldwater.**

**Tue., June 25, 2:00**

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### Adult Trivia **R**

Test your trivia knowledge using Kahoot to win a gift card.

**Tue., June 25, 4:00**

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### Candle Painting **R**

Using candles and candle wax as paint for a pillar or stick candle.

**Tue., July 16, 5:30**

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### Dried Flower Suncatcher **R**

Using dried flowers and glass frames create a sun catcher that will surely light up the room.

**Tue., July 30, 3:00**

**BILL NITSCHKE'S WONDER WHEELS**

**BMX**

**STUNT SHOW**



**FREE EVENT FOR ALL AGES!**

**FRIDAY, JULY 26**

**5:00 PM**

**HERITAGE PARK: COLDWATER, MI**  
**YOUTH BASEBALL COMPLEX PARKING LOT**

**PRESENTED BY:**



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### Storytime

*For ages 2-5.*

A special time for toddlers with a book, snack, and craft.

**Weekly on Fri. at 10:30**

### Storytime at Little Orioles Preschool

Read a variety of books and do an activity sheet. **Held at 15 E. Liberty St. In Quincy at Little Orioles Preschool.**

**Thu., June 6, 11:00**

### Bouncing Bubbles

Come get bubbly with us and make your own bubbles!

**Mon., June 3, 3:30**

### Sand Art Day with MSU Extension

Megan Wilczynski, the 4-H Coordinator at Branch County MSU Extension Office, will be coming to do sand art. Get messy with us!

**Mon., June 17, 3:30**

### Chalk Art Day

Using chalk and stencils, help the library decorate the sidewalks.

**Mon., June 24, 3:30**

### Squirt Gun Painting

Make a painting on canvas using only squirt guns!

**Mon., July 8, 3:30**

### Frozen Dino Egg Adventures

Oh no - we have frozen dinosaurs! Please come help get the dinosaurs out & get them warmed back up!

**Mon., July 15, 3:30**

### Adventure Camp Sand Art

Make a camping adventure picture using colored sand. Come be creative with us!

**Mon., July 22, 3:30**

### Conscious Creativity

*For ages 10-17.*

A weekly program focusing on positive mindfulness. Get ready for a mix of yoga, deep breathing, calming exercises, and artsy mindfulness fun. Starts on June 11.

**Weekly on Tue. at 1:00**

### Adventure Camp Sand Art

Let's get artsy and craft a camping adventure picture using colored sand.

**Wed., June 5, 3:30**

### Tie-Dye Towel

Get ready to gear up for the beach & create your own tie-dye towel!

**Wed., June 12, 3:00**

### Guess What Day

We will be hosting a variety of Guess What games. Best guesser wins a Refuge gift card!

**Wed., June 26, 3:30**

### Fireworks, Fireworks, Fireworks!

We're going to do 4th of July crafts & an experiment! Come join the fun!

**Wed., July 3, 3:30**

### Wood Burning Art with MSU Extension

Megan Wilczynski, the 4-H Coordinator at Branch County MSU Extension Office, will be coming to teach us the wood burning process.

**Wed., July 17, 3:30**

### Saran Wrap Ball Race

It's a race! We have many prizes for you but there's a catch - it's all wrapped up in a tight Saran wrap ball. The first person to get all their items out first wins the real prize!

**Wed., July 24, 3:30**

### Sweet Saturday

Come enjoy a sweet treat every Saturday during June & July. First come, first serve.

**Weekly on Sat., 10:00 - 1:00**

### Big Ty'm Fun - Video Game Truck

*For ages 6 and up.*

Big Ty'm Fun will be joining us for three hours of FUN in their climate-controlled video game trailer. Come check out what games they have & bring your friends to play!

**Tue., June 11, 1:00 - 4:00**

## QUINCY (continued)

### Author Book Signing - Elizabeth Steingass

Come join a book reading, Q&A, and book signing with author, Elizabeth Steingass. Books will be available to purchase.

**Tue., June 18, 11:00**

### Stenciled Canvas Tote Bags <sup>R</sup>

Back by popular demand - we will be painting our own canvas tote bags. All supplies needed will be provided. Come get creative with us!

**Wed., June 12, 10:30**

### Star String Art! <sup>R</sup>

Weave wonderful patterns with string art, using wooden stars with threads of red, white, and blue. Come let your crafty spirit soar!

**Tue., July 2, 10:30**

## SHERWOOD

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### Storytime

*For ages 0-5.*  
Story time with the littles.

**Weekly on Thu. at 10:30**

### Sponge Water Bombs

*For ages 3-12.*  
Stay cool this summer with your own water bomb made out of sponges!

**Tue., June 25, 2:00**

### Paper Rolls Fireworks Painting

*For ages 3-12.*  
Transform your boring paper towel rolls into explosive firework paintings!

**Tue., July 2, 2:00**

### Sidewalk Chalk Hopscotch

*For ages 3-12.*  
Create a hopscotch game.

**Tue., July 9, 2:00**

### Candy Land the Library

*For ages 5-18.*  
Make yard ornaments and decorate the library like Candy Land for Summer!

**Tue., June 4, 2:00**

### Steampunk Goggles

*For ages 10-18.*  
Make a pair of steampunk goggles to show off to your friends.

**Tue., June 11, 4:00**

### Big Block Jenga with a Twist

*For ages 5-18.*  
Pull a block and do the challenge it says. Spin in a circle 5 times and talk like a pirate until your next turn. A new spin on an old classic!

**Tue., June 18, 2:00**

### Gladius Music Concert

Music lovers of all ages — join us at the library for a classical flamenco guitar concert with touring musician Gladius!

**Mon., July 1, 5:30**

### Paint Wooden Animals

*For ages 10-18.*  
Paint your very own wooden friend.

**Tue., July 16, 2:00**

### Upcycled Doodle Discs

*For ages 5-18.*  
Splash some color on a disc, then get artsy by carving an unique design.

**Tue., July 23, 2:00**

### Thor's Hammer

*For ages 10-18.*  
Recreate Thor's Hammer from paper towel rolls, tissue boxes, and duct tape to see how far you can throw it!

**Tue., July 30, 2:00**

### Wooden Peace Signs with Kathy Barnes <sup>R</sup>

Join us to decorate 11x12in wooden peace signs with flowers, glass beads, seashells, buttons, and other recycled materials.

**Tue., June 11, 6:00**

### Mason Jar Luminaries DIY Bug Repellent <sup>R</sup>

Beautiful candle-lit luminaries and all natural bug repellent in a Mason Jar! Perfect for a relaxing summer evening on the deck.

**Thu., July 25, 5:00**

A large acoustic guitar is the central focus of the poster. The headstock is at the top left, with the brand name 'ARGENT' visible. The neck and body of the guitar extend downwards. A circular inset in the bottom right corner shows a man with long brown hair and sunglasses playing a guitar. Musical notes are scattered around the guitar, particularly near the headstock and the circular inset. The background is a light, textured grey.

LIVE MUSIC CONCERT!

# GLADIUS

Music lovers of all ages — join us  
at the **Sherwood Branch** for a  
classical flamenco guitar concert  
with touring musician Gladius!

Mon., July 1 | 5:30 PM

FREE admission and all ages welcomed!

## UNION TWP.

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### Storytime

Stories, songs, and crafts for infants and toddlers.

**Weekly on Wed. at 11:00**

### LEGO Club

*For ages 5-12.*

Join us in building fun and creative structures!

**Wed., June 5, June 19,  
July 3, July 17, July 31,  
1:00**

### Extreme Duct Tape Workshop ®

Make and take colorful tape creations. All supplies provided.

**Wed., June 12, 1:00**

### Homemade Father's Day Cards

Create a cute homemade Father's Day card that will make him smile.

**Thu., June 13, 1:00**

### Mad Science Workshop ®

*For ages 5-12.*

Explore the farthest reaches of our solar system and create a lunar eclipse in this "mad" planetary tour! Learn how the planets stack up and build a Gravity Assisted Launcher™ to take-home.

**Fri., June 28, 10:00**

### DIY LEGO Stamping Art

*For ages 5-12*

Using LEGO pieces, paint, and stamping supplies create your own masterpiece.

**Wed., July 10, 10:00**

### Teen Trivia: I should have known that!

Come compete and test your knowledge of trivia fun with your friends.

**Fri., June 7, 2:00**

### Minute To Win It

Test your creativity with fun one minute challenges.

**Fri., July 12, 2:00**

### Friendship Bracelets

*For ages 12-18.*

Show off your skills and creative side by making some fun and unique friendship bracelets.

**Tue., July 23, 1:00**

### Tie-Dye Creations

Create lots of different patterns by folding and tying the fabric and dashing it with colors. Some shirts will be provided.

**Wed., July 31, 2:00**

### Summer Movie Day!

Join us for a Summer movie, a fun summer craft, and popcorn.

**Tue., July 9, 1:00**

### Mr. Jim: Balloon Sculpting Creations

Step-by-step demonstrations of balloon animal creations. Every participant will be given an opportunity to create and take home their own "flying mouse" creation.

**Fri., July 26, 1:00**

### Chair Exercise with Paula DeJongh

Learn about how proper functional movement helps to heal, prepare, and prevent injuries.

**Tue., June 11, June 25, 1:30**

### Cross Stitching for Beginners ®

Learn the basics of cross stitching. Bring your own materials or some will be provided.

**Wed., July 24, 3:00**

## 2024 COLORING CONTEST

Enter our annual Summer Reading coloring contest. Return your completed sheet **to any library branch by July 1** for a chance to win a prize!

Full contest details can be found at [BranchDistrictLibrary.org/srp](https://BranchDistrictLibrary.org/srp)

Artwork by Ben Lyon from BDL!



# Outreach Services

The Library Where You Are!



If you can't make it to our six branches, explore the Library's Outreach Services. Offering Library By Mail and Pop-up stops, we bring the library to the community for your convenience.



Find us in your community at one of our Pop-up stops! To prepare for our bookmobile, we are already making regular visits to future bookmobile stops! At these stops, you will find a selection of library materials available for checkout.

**BRANCH DISTRICT LIBRARY**  
**Pop-Up Libraries!**

California Township Hall  
1st & 3rd Wed., 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Coldwater Lake Association Building  
2nd Sat. & 3rd Wed., 10:30am - 12:00 pm

Butler Township Hall -- PAUSED  
1st & 3rd Wed., 3:00 pm - 3:45 pm

Kinderhook Township Hall  
2nd and 4th Thu., 2:00 pm - 3:30 pm



Branch County residents who find it difficult or impossible to visit the library in person and wish to check out library materials can receive their library items through the mail!



Our new Bookmobile is in production, and we are eagerly anticipating its arrival. Stay tuned for updates on its progress and delivery by visiting [BranchDistrictLibrary.org/bookmobile!](http://BranchDistrictLibrary.org/bookmobile!)