

GAMES

Gaming Club

Every Wednesday, 6:00-8:00 p.m.
Bring your own Yu-Gi-Oh or gaming cards. Try out our gaming card with XBOX and PS4 games. Ages 12+.

Saturday Morning Chess Club

Saturdays, 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
December 3, January 7, February 4
Join us for a game of chess, learn the basics, or watch others. All skill levels are welcome. Ages 5+.



Blender Café

STOP BY FOR BREAKFAST, LUNCH, AND IN BETWEEN

Open 7:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m. Weekdays

SANDWICHES | PANINIS | SOUPS
COFFEE FROM COLECTIVO | BAKED GOODS
ITALIAN SODAS | SMOOTHIES



beloit public library
605 Eclipse Blvd | Beloit, WI 53511
(608) 364-2905

Hours

Monday-Thursday
9:30 a.m.-9:00 p.m.
Friday-Saturday
9:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.

Our outside book drop, free Wi-Fi, and digital resources are always available!

Library Director

Nick Dimassis (608) 364-2917

Friends at Beloit Library (FABL)

FABL provides support to the library through the sale of donated books. New volunteer members are always welcome, as are donations of gently used books.
(608) 364-5770
friendsatbeloitlibrary@gmail.com

Beloit Public Library Foundation

Our Foundation maintains an endowment to provide funding for special projects. Make your tax-deductible donation today.
(608) 364-2908
foundation@beloitlibrary.org

Children

Children 8 and younger should be accompanied by an adult or caregiver age 12 or older.

Accessibility

The library is wheelchair accessible and offers many assistive devices including an electric scooter, walkers, magnifiers, Hearing Loops, and a computer with features to assist persons with sight challenges. Ask any staff member about these and other assistive devices.

Stay in the Know

follow us on Facebook and Instagram and visit our website:
www.beloitlibrary.org




WINTER '22-'23
PROGRAM GUIDE
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Las Posadas

Saturday, December 3, 1:00-4:00 p.m.

Join us as we celebrate Las Posadas, a traditional Mexican holiday that is more than 400 years old. Presented in both English and Spanish by La Preferida. All ages.



PBS KIDS Donkey Hodie Pop-Up Exhibit

Daily December 27-January 7,
10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. and 3:00-7:00 p.m.

Beloit Public Library is the first stop in the country for this immersive pop-up exhibit featuring PBS KIDS' Donkey Hodie and friends. Stop by for games, activities, crafts, and fun! Sponsored by PBS Wisconsin.



Winterfest Games and Hot Chocolate

Saturday, January 28, 2:30-4:30 p.m.

Enjoy games and cozy up with free hot chocolate from our hot chocolate bar! Ages 2-10.



Diary of a Wimpy Kid Diper Överlöde Party

Saturday, February 25, 2:00-3:30 p.m.

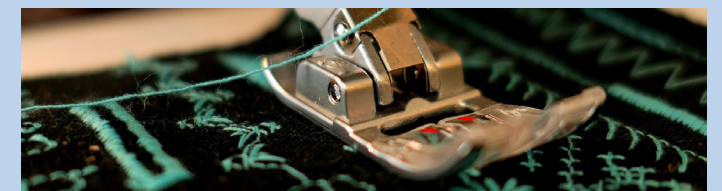
Play fun games, make cool buttons, munch on book-related snacks, and test your trivia knowledge surrounding the 17th book in the Diary of a Wimpy Kid series. Ages 8-12 years.



Purl On Up: Knitting Lessons for Adults

Tuesdays, 6:00-7:30 p.m.
January 10, 17, 24, and 31

Learn the basics of knitting in this four-week series led by Beloit local Carol Lisenksy. All supplies included. Registration is required. For adults.



Sew Much Fun: Sewing Lessons

Saturdays, 11:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
February 4, 11, 18, and 25

Learn the basics of using a sewing machine in this four-week series. Lessons will be conducted by Ann Lankford, owner of Casey's Sewing Center. Registration is required. For adults.



KNOW YOUR LOCAL GOVERNMENT SERIES
Property Taxes

Hear from all four taxing districts to learn where your property taxes go. Learn how much each receives and how they use it.



Eric Miller
CITY OF БЕЛОИТ

Wed., November 16
12:00-1:00 p.m.
Beloit Public Library



Renea Ranguette
BLACKHAWK TECHNICAL COLLEGE

Wed., December 21
12:00-1:00 p.m.
Beloit Public Library



Sherry Oja
ROCK COUNTY

Wed., January 25
12:00-1:00 p.m.
Beloit Public Library



Wendy LaPointe
SCHOOL DISTRICT OF БЕЛОИТ

Wed., February 22
12:00-1:00 p.m.
Beloit Public Library

This event is free and open to the public.

The first 25 to register receive a free lunch, courtesy of Stateline Community Foundation:
www.beloitlibrary.org/how-do-i/register-for-a-program/

Why should you "Know Your Local Government"?

Local government affects your day-to-day life and quality of life. Decisions by the school board, for example, impact the quality of education that your child receives. Decisions by the city have ramifications for policing and public safety, the state of the roads and intersections, and the quality of neighborhood parks.

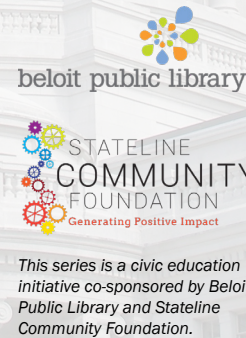
It is easiest to affect change at the local level.

As a resident, you can meet with and make an appeal to your elected officials, or provide feedback on an issue being discussed at a city council meeting. In small cities and towns, it can be easier to have your voice heard.

Local government decisions impact your pocketbook.

If you're a property owner, you pay for local government through your property tax bill. Of course, local governments also collect revenue from residents through fees, utility bills, etc.

LEARN MORE: www.beloitlibrary.org/about-us/kylgseries



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STATELINE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION
Generating Positive Impact

This series is a civic education initiative co-sponsored by Beloit Public Library and Stateline Community Foundation.

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ONGOING

FABL Book Sale

All Day, Every Day

Buy a used book, movie, or music, and support BPL! Endless genres are available. Dig through our shelves and find your next book today! In the library across from the checkout.

Resume Review

All Year Long

Need someone to look over your resume? Drop it off or email it to IT@beloitlibrary.org, and our resident experts will review it and get back to you with feedback in a few days. Ask any staff member for details!



Job Services Live Help Desk

Mondays, 12:30-4:30 p.m.

Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

DWD job service professionals provide one-on-one help including job application assistance, resume building, employment and training referrals, and assistance navigating Job Center of Wisconsin and unemployment websites. No appointment is required.

ALL AGES

Family Craft Night

Tuesdays, 5:30-6:30 p.m.

- December 13: Card Making
- January 10: Luminaries
- February 7: Winter Sowing



No planning, no preparing, and no clean-up...just fun! We provide the supplies and ideas; just bring yourself! All ages.

Warming Tree

October 3-December 9

We're collecting new or homemade

mittens, scarves, hats, and socks to keep Beloiters of all ages warm this winter. Hang your donations on our tree for our patrons to take if they need one. We will donate the rest to local charities.

EARLY LITERACY

Music and Movement Story Time

Every Monday, 10:00 a.m.

Develop early literacy skills with music, dancing, yoga, singing, and stories. Ages 3-6.

ABC Playgroup

Tuesdays (on break 12/20-1/31), 10:00 a.m.

Develop early literacy skills with singing and stories while we learn the alphabet. Ages 3-4.

Preschool Story Time

Every Wednesday, 10:00 a.m.

Stories, songs, and fun with a new theme each week. Ages 0-6.



Baby Play Date

Every Thursday, 10:00 a.m.

Connect with other parents while you engage Baby with simple songs and stories. Ages 0-2.

Toddler Yoga

Every Friday, 10:00 a.m.

Toddlers + yoga. Experienced staff from the YMCA will teach this class. Ages 0-5.

Cat Story Time – Wednesday,

February 22, 10:30-11:00 a.m.

Join us for the purrfect story time, followed by a cute four-legged guest courtesy of the Rock County Humane Society. Ages 0-6.

SCHOOL-AGE

“When I Grow Up...” Storytime with

PBS KIDS

First Saturdays, 11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. December 3, January 7, February 4

Learn all about careers. Meet experts from the field, play and learn with hands-on activities, and get a free book and lunch. Ages 5-8 and their families. Registration required: beloitlibrary.org/how-do-i/register-for-a-program

LEGO Club

Second Mondays, 6:30-7:30 p.m.

December 12, January 9, February 13

Build as a team or work on your own creation. Be sure to bring a camera to capture your creation! Each month will bring a new build challenge. Ages 5-12.

BookQuesters: Movie Night

Thursday, December 29,

1:00-5:00 p.m.

Generously sponsored by the family of Judith H. Adams. Watch *Matilda* and *The Tale of Despereaux* while decorating ugly sweater sugar cookies. We will hold a drawing to give away a copy of each movie. For school age kids, especially 4th and 5th graders.

BookQuesters:

Juliette Kinzie Author

Saturday, February 4, 2:00-3:00 p.m.

Generously sponsored by the family of Judith H. Adams. Wisconsin author Kathe Crowley Conn, author of *Juliette Kinzie*, talks about Kinzie's life. Join us as we hear stories, participate in crafts, and learn about journaling. For school age kids, especially 4th and 5th graders.

Home Alone Movie

Pizza Party

Thursday,

December 15, 4:30-6:00 p.m.

Play Home Alone bingo with us while we watch the movie and chow down on pizza! We will give away a free copy of the movie. Ages 8+.



Acting 101

Saturday, January 7, 2:00-3:00 p.m.

Learn the basics of acting in this fun, interactive event hosted by Kids Fun and Drama (KFAD)! Ages 7-12.

Theater Dancing 101

Thursday, January 12, 5:30-6:30 p.m.

Learn the basics of theater dancing in this fun, interactive event hosted by Kids Fun and Drama (KFAD)! Ages 7-12.



Trees as Habitats

Saturday, January 14, 1:00-2:00 p.m.

Presented by Welty Center. Find out about and search for local wildlife that depends on trees for survival. Then act out the life of a tree from the inside out to find out how amazing these plants really are. Ages 7-9.

A Place for Everything: Animal Classification

Saturday, February 11, 1:00-2:00 p.m.

Presented by Welty Center. Become the expert and put your knowledge to practice on an adventure to find animals and the evidence that they have been around. Each attendee will receive a free fill-in field guide. Ages 7-9.

TEENS

Cookie Decorating

Thursday, January 19, 4:30-6:00 p.m.

Bring a friend and make some more as we decorate cookies. Ages 12-18.



Live Clue

Thursday, February 16, 5:30-7:30 p.m.

Bring your friends and compete in the classic game of Clue ... in life-sized scale! Ages 10 and up.

ADULTS & TEENS

4th Wednesday Book Discussion

Wednesdays, 6:00-8:00 p.m.

- December 28: *The Sweetness at the Bottom of the Pie* by Alan Bradley

- January 25: *The Color Purple* by Alice Walker

- February 22: *The Personal Librarian* by Victoria Murray

Stateline Night Writers via Zoom

Every Wednesday, 6:00-8:00 p.m.

Meet other writers for hints, tips, suggestions, and encouragement. If you'd like to join, email Jerry at jerrypetersonbooks@gmail.com.

Memory Café

Thursday, December 8, 1:00-2:15 p.m.

Designed for those with mild memory loss, mild cognitive impairment, or early Alzheimer's Disease and their caregivers. Drop in and join us for fun and conversation in a relaxed environment. Hosted by the Aging & Disability Resource Center of Rock County. Questions? Call Karen at (608) 741-3615.

American Red Cross

Blood Drive

Tuesdays, 1:00-6:00

p.m.

December 13 and

February 13

Save a life; donate blood. For an appointment, call 1-800-733-2767 or visit redcrossblood.org.



Affordable Care Act Open

Enrollment

Mondays through January 9, 2:00-7:00 p.m.

Covering Wisconsin, a nonprofit arm of UW-Madison, presents FREE one-on-one help for individuals trying to navigate ACA health plan elections. Appointments recommended. Call (608)669-7440 or email kduschene@wisc.edu.

Mental Health 101

Thursday, January 26, 5:00-6:00 p.m.

Join Lyndsay Stevens from National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) as she leads a presentation that defines mental health vs. mental illness, explains general signs and symptoms, coping techniques, and offers further resources.

Introduction to Stamp Collecting

Thursday, February 9, 5:00-6:00 p.m.

Join Bobbi Sampson as she walks us through the process of collecting, organizing, and cataloging stamps. All participants will receive a FREE stamp album to get them started on their path to philately!



Essential Oils: Tips and Benefits

Saturday, February 18, 10:00-11:30 a.m.

Lisa Kehoe from Urbanology will explain the importance of essential oils for everyday use. Samples will be available to see and smell.

MOVIES

Rainbow Movie Series

First Tuesdays, 6:00-8:30 p.m.

Join us for this monthly film series co-hosted with Yellow Brick Road Organization.

- December 6: *Carol* (2015)
- January 3: *Pariah*
- February 7: *But I'm a Cheerleader!*

FABL Film Series

First Wednesdays, 6:00 p.m.

Join us for this monthly film series featuring a new release. Free refreshments served. Drawing for free movie.

- December 7: *Dune*
- January 4: *The Northman*
- February 2: *Marry Me*

Classic Film Series

Third Wednesdays, 6:00 p.m.

Join us for this monthly film series. Free refreshments served. Drawing for free movie

- December 21: *Pocketful of Miracles*
- January 18: *Groundhog Day*
- February 15: *Airport*

