

EARLY LITERACY



Toddler Yoga

Fridays, 10:00-11:00 AM

Follow along as staff from Stateline YMCA lead stretching, songs, and fun. Ages 0-5.

NEW! Preschool Story Time:

Evening Edition

Select Wednesdays, 6:30-7:30 PM

Sept 11, Oct 9, Oct 23, Nov 13

This new evening story time will include stories, songs, and fun with a new theme each week! Ages 2-6.



Music and Movement Story Time

Mondays, 10:00-11:00 AM

Develop early literacy skills with music, dancing, singing, and stories. Ages 2-6.

Preschool Story Time

Wednesdays, 10:00-11:00 AM

Enjoy stories, songs, and fun with a new theme each week. Ages 2-6.

Baby Play Date

Thursdays, 10:00-11:00 AM

Connect with other parents and your baby with simple songs and stories. Ages 0-2.

SCHOOL-AGE KIDS



LEGO® Club

Second Mondays, 6:30-7:30 PM

Sept 9, Oct 14, Nov 11

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.

“When I Grow Up” Story Time

Select Saturdays, 10:30-11:30 AM

Oct 12: Arborist Brey James

Nov 9: Auto Mechanic Guy Olson

Learn all about the exciting world of work! Explore new careers, meet experts from the field, play and learn with hands-on activities, and get a free book, while supplies last! This program is aimed at children 4-8, but the whole family is welcome!

Dungeons and Dragons for Children

Every Thursday, 6:00-8:30 PM

Bring your friends, creativity, and adventurous spirit to our Dungeons & Dragons series. No advanced knowledge of the game is required. Characters will be offered to you at each session, or you can bring your own. Ages 8-12.

Drop-In Tutoring Help at the Library

Mondays, Sept 23 and 30, 5:00-7:00 PM

This two-day, drop-in tutoring help is designed to help children who are finding themselves in need of a little reading or math help after the start of the new school year. Ages 6-12.

Scout Robotics Workshop by Turtle TEK

Thursday, Oct 3, 4:00-7:00 PM

Turtle TEK will run this workshop with five fun stations teaching the engineering process. Have a blast while earning your Scout modular design or robotics merit badge. This event is open to non-Scouts, too.

WINGS OF FIRE Book Club for Kids



Wings of Fire Book Club

Third Mondays, 5:00-7:00 PM

Sept 16: The Dragonet Prophecy

Oct 21: The Lost Heir

Nov 18: The Hidden Kingdom

Love the *Wings of Fire* books?

Join us for a fun, monthly book discussion led by a fellow fourth-grader. Grades 3-6.



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) 364-5774

lingalls@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



FALL '24 EVENTS GUIDE

ALL BPL PROGRAMS ARE FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC | A publication of Beloit Public Library, supported by BPL Foundation.

SCHOOL AGE CHILDREN



Wings of Fire

Book Club for Kids

Third Mondays, 5:00-7:00 PM

Sept 16: The Dragonet Prophecy

Oct 21: The Lost Heir

Nov 18: The Hidden Kingdom

Love the *Wings of Fire* books? Join us for a fun, monthly book discussion led by a fellow fourth-grader. Grades 3-6.

ADULTS



Honor in the Heartland: The Story of the USS Beloit

Saturday, Sept 7, 2:00-3:15 PM

The United States Navy bestowed the honor of naming a U.S. Naval vessel the USS Beloit. Join us for a screening of a film that tells the story of the naming, building, and christening of that ship. *Honor in the Heartland: The Story of the USS Beloit* is presented by Beloit International Film Festival, Beloit Public Library, and Fairbanks Morse Defense for Beloit Heritage Days.

ALL AGES



Model Train Display

**Saturday, Nov 9,
11:00 AM-3:00 PM**

All aboard! See this magnificent model train display organized and hosted by Rock River Valley Division's National Model Railroad Association.

ALL AGES

Drive-In Movie Night: Kung Fu Panda 4

Friday, Sept 27, 7:15 PM

Our drive-in movie is back by popular demand! Enjoy *Kung Fu Panda 4* on the big screen in our parking lot—from your car or in a lawn chair. **Free dinner and snacks will be served, while supplies last.**

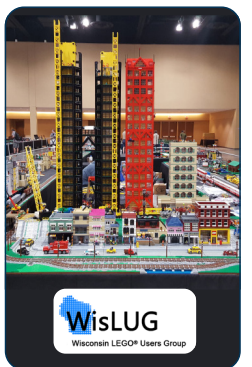


ALL AGES

WisLUG LEGO® Showcase

**Saturday, Oct 5,
11:00 AM-3:00 PM**

LEGO® fans of all ages will enjoy the creative and unique exhibits created by Wisconsin LEGO® Users Group. Enjoy hands-on, family-friendly building activities, too.



ALL AGES



“Hoo” Haven Wildlife Experience

Saturday, Nov 9, 2:00-3:00 PM

Meet the animal ambassadors from “Hoo” Haven Wildlife Rehabilitation & Education Center. “Hoo” Haven is dedicated to rehabilitating and releasing, sick, injured, and orphaned North American Wildlife and to educating individuals about the importance of wildlife conservation. Hear how the volunteers at this organization help the animals and educate people on wildlife. There will also be interactive displays and visual aids.

ALL AGES

FABL Warehouse Book Sale

Thursday, Oct 17—1:00-6:00 PM

Friday, Oct 18—10:00 AM-4:00 PM

Saturday, Oct 19—10:00 AM-4:00 PM

Our Friends at Beloit Public Library (FABL) group hosts this great used book sale with basement bargain pricing! Paperback books are \$.25, and hardcovers are \$.50. Saturday is bag day with the price of each bag full of books at only \$1. Proceeds are returned to the library for special programming and initiatives.



Don't have a library card?
GET YOURS TODAY!



Monday-Thursday 9:30am-9:00pm
Friday-Saturday 9:30am-5:30pm

Library cards are FREE for residents. Bring a photo ID and proof of address, and we'll send you home with a shiny new card that opens a world of opportunity.

IN COLLABORATION WITH BELOIT COLLEGE

Special Events Honoring Ursula Le Guin



Teens and Le Guin:
Digging into *The Dispossessed*
Wednesday, Oct 2, 5:30-6:30 PM
 Join us as we discuss the book *The Dispossessed* by Ursula Le Guin with Beloit College Students. This is part of a fun, larger community read where community members can enjoy learning about Le Guin's impact in writing and in Beloit. Teens.

Visual Worldbuilding Workshop
Saturday, Nov 9, 10:00 AM-12:00 PM
 Interested in how novels are transformed into theatre and film adaptations? Do you love the works of Ursula K. Le Guin and the revolutionary worlds she crafted? Come join Shelbi Wilkin, Resident Costume Designer and Design Faculty at Beloit College, for a talk about adapting Le Guin's work through costume design followed by a hands-on workshop where attendees can begin the visual worldbuilding process for Le Guin's novel *The Dispossessed*. All ages.

Le Guin Pop-Up Exhibit
Nov 11-26
 Celebrate the life and works of Ursula K. Le Guin in this informative display at the library. This display is brought to you by students from Beloit College as they mark the author's 50th anniversary of *The Dispossessed*. All ages.

ADULTS



Honor in the Heartland:
The Story of the USS Beloit
Saturday, Sept 7, 2:00-3:15 PM
 Join us for a screening of a film that tells the story of the naming, building, and christening of the USS Beloit. Honor in the Heartland: The Story of the USS Beloit is presented by BIFF, BPL, and Fairbanks Morse Defense.

Sew Much Fun: Sewing Lessons for Adults
Select Saturdays, 10:00 AM-12:00 PM
Sept 7, 14, 21, and 28
 Learn the basics of sewing with a machine in this four-week series taught Casey's Sewing Center. Registration is required.

YouTube Yoga Series
Select Wednesdays, 6:30-7:45 PM
Sept 18, Oct 2, Oct 16, Nov 6, Nov 20
 This series is designed to put the focus on YOU. Your interests, abilities, concerns, and curiosity will build our playlist of short routines that let us explore yoga and other gentle exercise practices. We'll kick off with some staff favorites and add your feedback as we go along. Ages 13+.

Medicare Bingo
Thursday, Sept 19, 1:00-2:30 PM
 Starting or continuing Medicare and feeling overwhelmed? Learn, have fun, and win prizes during a few friendly rounds of bingo.

Fermentation Workshop: Saving Summer in Jars
Wednesday, Sept 25, 6:30-8:00 PM
 Fermentation is an easy way to preserve the fresh produce. We'll cover everything a beginner needs to know, but experienced fermenters are also welcome! Get new ideas, bring a sample or recipe to share, or share your experience.

American Red Cross Blood Drive
Monday, Oct 21, 1:00-6:00 PM
 Save a life; donate blood. For an appointment, call 1-800-733-2767 or visit redcrossblood.org.

Bilingual Series: Catrina Workshop
Tues-Wed, Oct 29-30, 6:30-7:30 PM
 Learn how to make a miniature Catrina, the statuettes that are a cultural symbol for the Day of the Dead. This event spans two days. All materials provided, while supplies last.



ALL AGES

Drive-In Movie Night: *Kung Fu Panda 4*
Friday, Sept 27, 7:15 PM
 Our drive-in movie is back by popular demand! Enjoy *Kung Fu Panda 4* and free dinner and snacks, while supplies last.

WisLUG LEGO® Showcase
Saturday, Oct 5, 11:00 AM-3:00 PM
 LEGO® fans of all ages will enjoy the creative and unique exhibits created by WisLUG builders. We'll have hands-on, family-friendly building activities, too. All ages.

FABL Warehouse Book Sale
Thursday, Oct 17—1:00-6:00 PM
Friday, Oct 18—10:00 AM-4:00 PM
Saturday, Oct 19—10:00 AM-4:00 PM
 Our Friends group hosts this used book sale with basement bargain pricing! Saturday, a bag full of books at only \$1. Proceeds are returned to the library for special programming and initiatives.



Día De Los Muertos
Saturday, Nov 2, 1:00-4:00 PM
 Enjoy this lively Mexican holiday rich on traditions that celebrates those who came before us. Take part in activities, dances, food, and more. Presented by La Preferida de Beloit.

Model Train Display
Saturday, Nov 9, 11:00 AM-3:00 PM
 All aboard! Get a chance to look at a model train display organized by Rock River Valley Division's National Model Railroad Association. Members will be present to answer questions.

"Hoo" Haven Wildlife Experience
Saturday, Nov 9, 2:00-3:00 PM
 Meet the animals from "Hoo" Haven, dedicated to rehabilitating and releasing sick, injured, and orphaned North American wildlife.

Celebrate International Games Week!
Tuesday, Nov 12, 6:30-8:00 PM
 Play jumbo versions of traditional games like checkers, chess, dominoes, Yahtzee, Chutes and Ladders, and tangrams. Try games from Beloit's own PlayMonster. Make a craft, munch on a snack, and play a round of Thanksgiving Jingo.

Saturday Morning Chess Club
Every Saturday, 10:00 AM-12:00 PM
 All skill levels are welcome in this friendly drop-in program. Ages 5+.

TEENS/TWEENS



Teen Taste Test: Oreos
Tuesday, Sept 17, 4:30-5:30 PM
 Love to try new things? In this fun quarterly series, taste-test a variety of treat and snack flavors and vote on your favorites.

Teen Craft
Select Thursdays, 5:30-6:30 PM
Sept 26: DIY Mini Book Nooks
Oct 24: Personalized Ghost Frames
Nov 14: Wood Pumpkin Painting
 These craft sessions are made for teens! Make a craft and meet new friends. All materials provided, while supplies last. Grades 6-12.

TEENS & ADULTS



Halloween Soiree
Thursday, Oct 31, 8:00-8:30 PM
 This spooky (not gory) evening will be filled with spine-chilling ghost stories, eerie music, hair-raising surprises, and seasonal treats including spiced cider, pumpkin pastries, and kombucha mocktails. Drop in any time - no need for a costume. Adults.

Adult Acrylic Paint Class
Wednesday, Nov 13, 6:00-8:30 PM
 Learn how to paint with acrylics from Doodles Instructor Nikole Wagner in this one-day class. Materials provided, while supplies last.

4th Wednesday Book Club
4th Wednesdays, 6:00 PM
Sept 25: *The Dispossessed* by Ursula Le Guin
Oct 23: *The Women* by Kristin Hannah
Nov 20*: *Firekeeper's Daughter* by Angeline Boulley
 Read the book and join us for a healthy discussion around the fireplace in the library's Riverside Room. *Date adjusted due to holiday.

Teen Anime Appreciation Club
Select Thursdays, 5:30-6:30 PM
Sept 12: *Sailor Moon Crystal*
Oct 10: *Spy X Family*
Nov 7: *The Apothecary Diaries*
 Meet fellow anime and manga lovers, watch parts of an anime series, and create an optional anime-related craft. All materials provided, while supplies last. Grades 6-12.

Teen Advisory Board
3rd Wednesdays, 4:30-5:30 PM
Sept 18, Oct 16, Nov 20
 Earn an easy volunteer hour per month, share ideas with others, and help our teen space grow ... and make new friends while doing so! FREE PIZZA at the end of each meeting! Grades 6-12.

Gaming Club
Every Wednesday, 6:00-8:00 PM
 Hang out for a fun evening full of video games. The library has a Nintendo Switch and Wii. Feel free to bring your own system or even a favorite card game to share with others.

Dungeons and Dragons for Teens and Adults
Every Tuesday, 6:00-8:30 PM
 Bring your friends, your creativity, and your adventurous spirit to our Dungeons & Dragons series led by local Beloit Bob Peryea. No advanced knowledge of the game is required. Characters will be offered to you at each session, or you can bring your own created characters. Ages 13+.

Tech Tuesday
Every Tuesday, 3:00-6:00 PM
 Bring your device and drop in for assistance with our one-on-one technology support. Our staff can also help you learn to use library apps, resources, and more!

Hooks & Needles Yarn Craft Club
Every Tuesday, 6:00-8:30 PM
 Bring your own knitting or crocheting project, and hang out with other yarn crafters for inspiration, conversation, and collaboration.

MOVIES Free refreshments are served at every movie.

TEEN
Teen Movie Night
3rd Thursdays, 5:30 PM
Sept 19: *The House With a Clock in its Walls* (PG)
Oct 17: *Five Nights at Freddy's* (PG-13)
Nov 21: *Dune* (PG-13)
 Join us for a free movie at the library! Monthly film series featuring iconic films made for tweens and teens.



FAITH
Faith Film Night
2nd Mondays, 6:00 PM
Sept 9: *Jesus Revolution*
Oct 14: *The Big Sick*
Nov 11: *I Still Believe*
 This new film series features characters and movies of different faiths.



BLACK
Black Cinema Series
4th Mondays, 6:00 PM
Sept 23: *Summer Of Soul*
Oct 28: *I Wanna Dance with Somebody*
Nov 25: *Devotion*
 This monthly film series features iconic Black films curated by members of the community. There will be a drawing for the movie at the end.



RAINBOW
Rainbow Movie Series
1st Tuesdays, 6:00 PM
Sept 3: *Aristotle and Dante Discover the Secrets of the Universe*
Oct 1: *Fitting In*
Nov 7*: *Drive-Away Dolls*
 This monthly film series features an LGBTQ+ friendly film. *Date adjusted due to elections.



FABL
FABL Film Series
1st Wednesdays, 6:00 PM
Sept 4: *Oppenheimer*
Oct 2: *Ghostbusters: Frozen Empire*
Nov 6: *Desperation Road*
 This monthly film series features releases. There will be a drawing for the movie after the showing.



CLASSIC
Classic Film Series
3rd Wednesdays, 6:00 PM
Sept 18: *S1m0ne*
Oct 16: *The Ghost and Mrs. Muir*
Nov 20: *Apollo 13*
 This popular monthly film series features classic films as they were intended to be seen - on a big screen and with an audience. Drawing for the movie after the showing.

