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The latest news from the Georgetown Township Public Library



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NOV 3-DEC 4



Adult Programs

Please register in advance



DONUTS & DISCUSSION Nov 4 @ 10AM

Funeral planning made simple! Learn more about funeral planning and related topics from Cook Funeral Homes.

Please register in advance



ADULT YOGA Nov 5 @ 6:30PM

Join our community for a one-hour, gentle flow class with yoga teacher Jami Kok. This class is thoughtfully designed for all skill levels. Please bring your own mat or towel.

Please register in advance



BINGO FOR ADULTS Nov 6 @ 1:30PM

Everyone loves a game of Bingo! Winners will get a coupon for a free item from our ongoing used book sale.

Please register in advance



ACRYLIC PAINTING Nov 12 @ 6:30PM

Join local artist Lauren for an acrylic painting class for adults. We will be painting a fall scene. No experience necessary and all supplies are provided.

Please register in advance



ZUMBA Nov 13 @ 9:15AM

Join Aimee for a total workout, combining all elements of fitness - cardio, muscle conditioning, balance and flexibility, boosted energy and a serious dose of awesome each time you leave class.



OPEN PUZZLE Nov 15 @ 9AM

Drop in puzzle club for all ages. Work alone or with others and chat about puzzles, games, books, and more. All levels of puzzling skills welcome—kids under 12 must be accompanied by an adult.

Please register in advance



GROOVE DANCE FITNESS Nov 18 @ 9:15AM

Groove is a fitness class that will show you that dance is for everyone. Join Lindsay as she builds community through dance, fitness, and movement.

Please register in advance



KEEPSAKE HOLIDAY CARDS Nov 19 @ 5:30PM

Start with drips, drops, squiggles and color washes using transparent watercolor. Then embellish with gel pens, ribbons, sequins, and more. Transform these variegated abstract pieces into wonderful atmospheric Christmas trees.



PINS & NEEDLES Thursdays @ 10AM

Come and spend time socializing, sharing crafting experience, and enjoying snacks. Please bring along everything you need for your own craft.

Community **Dec 2** TREE LIGHTING

Get ready for the holiday season with the annual GT Community Tree Lighting and Holiday Market! Events include:

4-8PM: Holiday Market
6:30PM: Tree Lighting
6:45PM: West Mich Community Chorale
6-8PM: Crafts for Kids

6-8PM: Food Trucks
6-8PM: Local History Room Open House
7PM: Stories with Mrs. Claus



CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS



Dinovember is Back! See insert for more details



Nov 10
10AM & 11:15AM

Each session will be based on a children's book and will include: story, finger plays, creative art experiences, and educational play. Each family will also receive a children's book to take home. Information on child development and reading readiness will be available for parents.



A Charlie Brown Thanksgiving



Nov 8 @ 11AM

Join us for A Charlie Brown Thanksgiving! We will watch the cartoon, have snacks and make some crafts. For those age 5+. Registration required.

Storytime

Tuesdays & Wednesdays

Join Miss Liz for books, songs, fingerplays, and more!
All ages are welcome.

Wee Ones: Tuesdays @ 10AM
Preschool: Wednesdays @ 10AM



Purposeful Play

Nov 14 @ 10:30AM



Play is an important part of early literacy development. In this program, parents and caregivers will engage in purposeful play with their children! Activities are separated by development area. This is a drop-in program, come anytime during the hour. Ages 0-5 welcome!

Sensory Play

Nov 21 @ 10:30AM

Touch, hear, see, and play! This drop in play time focuses on letting kids play and learn using their senses, using things like textured blocks, water, sound tubes, ball pit, and foam paint. Come and go as you please during the hour. Ages 0-5.



Kids' Sticker Fun

Nov 6 @ 10:30AM



Join us for a fun craft time using stickers! We will provide stickers, washi tape, paper and other craft supplies for kids to create with. Stop in anytime from 10:30am-11:30am for this drop-in program. All ages welcome.

Orb Lights Craft

Nov 24 @ 7PM

Add a cozy glow to your space by joining us to make a beautiful glowing orb light!

This program is a part of the Big Read Lakeshore, a collaborative community wide reading program. The lights are reminiscent of the orbs described in this year's Middle Read selection, *A Wish in the Dark* by Christina Soontornvat.

For those in grades K-6th. Registration required.



DIY Wordless Picture Books

Nov 26 @ 10AM

Stop into the children's program room anytime from 10am-5pm today to make a DIY wordless picture book.

This year's Little Read book selection, *Journey* by Aaron Becker, along with several other wordless picture books will be on display in the room for inspiration.

GENTLY USED TOY DRIVE

Nov 3-Dec 4



Looking to declutter ahead of the holidays? Want to spread some cheer to those in need? The library is hosting a gently used toy drive!

Bring in gently used toys in good condition anytime between Monday, November 3rd and Thursday, December 4th. Please bag toys with lots of parts so nothing gets lost or mixed up. There will be a box in the lobby where you can place your donations.

Then, anyone in the community is welcome to come in and "shop" for new-to-you toys on Saturday, December 6th from 10AM-1PM, or while supplies last. You do not need to donate toys in order to pick out new ones.

YOUTH PROGRAMS



LEGO CLUB NOV 3 @ 7PM

Kids ages 6 - 13 years old are invited to bring their building bricks to the Library. Each child will have 45 minutes to create something around the theme that will be announced that afternoon, or they can free-build. Please register in advance at gtpl.org or at the library.



SING SONG FAMILY YOGA NOV 7 @ 9:30AM

Join Deb Weiss-Gelmi for Family Yoga and Literacy! Kids of all ages and their adults can join us for stories, songs, and yoga. All ages welcome. Families, please bring yoga mats or beach towels for each person.



POKEMON CLUB NOV 10 @ 7PM

Join fellow Pokemon fans to show off and discuss your Pokemon card collection! Trading is optional. Some months we may also watch a Pokemon cartoon or make a Pokemon-themed craft. Kids ages 7-12; registration required.



BINGO BUDDIES NOV 13 @ 10:30AM

Join us for Bingo Buddies! We will use Bingo boards that are easy for little ones to understand (more pictures than letters and numbers) and have fun prizes! We have a limited number of Bingo cards, so please be sure you're registering the correct number of children who will be playing.



U.S. EXPLORERS NOV 17 @ 7PM

Kids ages 6-12. Explore the United States without ever leaving Michigan! Join us for our United States Explorers program for those in grades 1st-6th. Each month we will learn about a new state and enjoy fun games, crafts and other activities that are popular in that state. Registration required.



PIZZA & PAGES NOV 19 @ 4:30PM

Join our theme-based book club! Participants in 4th - 7th grade will eat pizza, discuss what they have read, and participate in a Library auction to end the hour. Registration required.



PLAY-DOH CLUB NOV 20 @ 10:30AM

Join us for a fun hour of exploring with playdough! During this drop-in program, we'll have playdough, tools, and some other fun accessories for you to use.



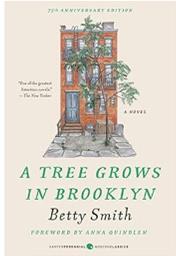
S.T.E.A.M. CLUB NOV 20 @ 6PM

Join us for STEAM Club, where we will experiment with different STEAM principles in a fun and exciting way. Each month we will complete a different science, technology, engineering, art, or math project; this month will be dino-mite science. For those in grades K-6th. Registration required.

Book Groups

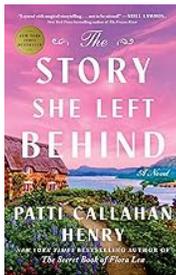
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GEORGETOWN TOWNSHIP PUBLIC LIBRARY

A Tree Grows In Brooklyn: Wednesday, November 12 @ 1:30PM



From the moment she entered the world, Francie Nolan needed to be made of stern stuff, for the often harsh life of Williamsburg demanded fortitude, precocity, and strength of spirit. Often scorned by neighbors for her family's erratic and eccentric behavior—such as her father Johnny's taste for alcohol and Aunt Sissy's habit of marrying serially without the formality of divorce—no one, least of all Francie, could say that the Nolans' life lacked drama. By turns overwhelming, sublime, heartbreaking, and uplifting, the Nolans' daily experiences are tenderly threaded with family connectedness and raw with honesty. Betty Smith has, in the pages of *A Tree Grows in Brooklyn*, captured the joys of humble Williamsburg life—from “junk day” on Saturdays, when the children of Francie's neighborhood traded their weekly take for pennies, to the special excitement of holidays, bringing cause for celebration and revelry. Betty Smith has artfully caught this sense of exciting life in a novel of childhood, replete with incredibly rich moments of universal experiences—a truly remarkable achievement for any writer.

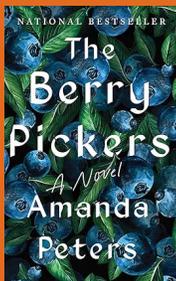
The Story She Left Behind: Monday, November 17 @ 1:30PM



In 1927, eight-year-old Clara Harrington's magical childhood shatters when her mother, renowned author, Bronwyn Newcastle Fordham, vanishes off the coast of South Carolina. Bronwyn stunned the world with a book written in an invented language that became a national sensation when she was just twelve years old. Her disappearance leaves behind not only a devoted husband and heartbroken daughter, but also the hope of ever translating the sequel to her landmark work. As the headlines focus on the missing author, Clara yearns for something far deeper and more insatiable: her beloved mother.

By 1952, Clara is an illustrator raising her own daughter, Wynnie. When a stranger named Charlie Jameson contacts her from London claiming to have discovered a handwritten dictionary of her mother's lost language. Clara is skeptical. Compelled by the tragedy of her mother's disappearance, she crosses the Atlantic with Wynnie only to arrive during one of London's most deadly natural disasters—the Great Smog. With asthmatic Wynnie in peril, they escape the city with Charlie and find refuge in the Jameson's family retreat nestled in the Lake District. It is there that Clara must find the courage to uncover the truth about her mother and the story she left behind.

The Berry Pickers: Tuesday, November 18 @ 1:30PM

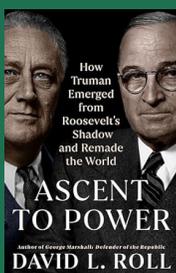


July 1962. Following in the tradition of Indigenous workers from Nova Scotia, a Mi'kmaq family arrives in Maine to pick blueberries for the summer. Weeks later, four-year-old Ruthie, the family's youngest child, vanishes. She is last seen by her six-year-old brother, Joe, sitting on a favorite rock at the edge of a berry field. Joe will remain distraught by his sister's disappearance for years to come.

In Maine, a young girl named Norma grows up as the only child of an affluent family. Her father is emotionally distant, her mother frustratingly overprotective. Norma is often troubled by recurring dreams and visions that seem more like memories than imagination. As she grows older, Norma slowly comes to realize there is something her parents aren't telling her. Unwilling to abandon her intuition, she will spend decades trying to uncover this family secret.

READ, WHITE, AND BLUE BOOK GROUP

Ascent to Power: Wednesday, November 19 @ 1:30PM



When Roosevelt, in failing health, decided to run for a fourth term, he gave in to the big city Democratic bosses and reluctantly picked Senator Truman as his vice president, a man he barely knew. Upon FDR's death in April 1945, Truman, after only 82 days as VP, was thrust into the presidency. Utterly unprepared, he faced the collapse of Germany, a Europe in ruins, the organization of the UN, a summit with Stalin and Churchill, and the question of whether atomic bombs would be ready for use against Japan.

Spanning the years of transition, 1944 to 1948, *Ascent to Power* explores Roosevelt's post-war illusions, and the very real challenges faced by Truman as a supposed “accidental president,” including the revival of Western Europe, the reform of Japan, and the hotly-debated birth of Israel. Detailing the long shadow cast by FDR, this remarkable book reveals Truman's struggle to emerge as a president in his own right, and how the decisions made during these years of transition changed the world.

November Movies for adults



NOV 6 12PM FILMS & FOOD: *SUMMER BOOK* (PG-13)

The story of the relationship between Sophia, an eight-year-old who is growing up fast, and her grandmother, who is nearing the end of her life. They are spending time together with Sophia's father at the family summer house on a tiny unspoiled island in the Gulf of Finland. All three are coming to terms with the recent death of Sophia's mother in different ways. Inspired by a book of Tove Jansson.



NOV 14 12PM FILMS & FOOD: *LOOKING THROUGH WATER* (PG-13)

William McKay is called by his estranged father to compete in a father-son fishing tournament that re-opens old wounds and sparks new understanding. Decades later, William recalls that pivotal trip as he tries to connect with his angry, distant grandson.



NOV 20 12PM FILMS & FOOD: *THE WORLD WILL TREMBLE* (PG-13)

The incredible, untold true story of how a group of prisoners attempt a seemingly impossible escape from the first Nazi death camp in order to provide the first eyewitness account of the Holocaust.

NOVEMBER 2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
26	27	28	29	30	31	1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
	10: Adult Chat & Craft* 7: Lego Club*	10: Wee Ones Storytime 10: Donuts & Discussions: Funeral Planning Made Easy*	10: Preschool Storytime 11-1: Local History Room 6:30: Writers Group 6:30: Adult Yoga Class*	10: Pins & Needles Craft Group 10:30: Kids' Sticker Fun 12: Films & Food: <i>Summer Book</i> 1:30: Bingo for Adults* 7: Teen Night: Taste of Thailand*	9:30: Sing Song Family Yoga	11: Charlie Brown Thanksgiving*
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
	10: OASISD Play N Learn 11:15: OASISD Play N Learn 7: Pokemon Club	 LIBRARY CLOSED VERTICALS	10: Preschool Storytime 11-1: Local History Room 1:30: Book Group: <i>A Tree Grows in Brooklyn</i> 6:30: Writers Group 6:30: Acrylic Painting Class*	9:15: Zumba Fitness* 10: Pins & Needles Craft Group 10:30: Bingo Buddies*	10:30: Purposeful Play 12: Films & Food: <i>Looking Through Water</i>	9-12:30: Open Puzzle
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 DINOVENBER WEEK	130: Book Group: <i>The Story She Left Behind</i> 7: US Explorers*	9:15: Groove Dance Fitness* 10: Wee Ones Storytime 1:30: Book Group: <i>The Berry Pickers</i> 4:30: T-Rex Tea Party*	10: Preschool Storytime 11-1: Local History Room 1:30: Book Group: <i>Ascend to Power</i> 4:30: Pizza & Pages* 5:30: Keepsake Cards Class* 6:30: Writers Group	All day: Spice of Life Kits 10: Pins & Needles Craft Group 10:30: Play-Doh Club 12: Films & Food: <i>The World Will Tremble</i> 6: STEAM Club*	10:30: Sensory Play	22
23/30	24	25	26	27	28	29
	7: Orb Lights Craft*		10: DIY Wordless Picture Books 11-1: Local History Room Library Closes at 6PM	 CLOSED	CLOSED	1:30: Adult Mario Kart Tournament*

Join us for our Annual Tree Lighting & Holiday Market Event on December 2!



NOV 17-22

Join us for Dinovember, a weeklong celebration of dinosaurs! We will add some dinosaur flair to some of our regular programs and will also have some extra dinosaur events to add to the fun.



MONDAY (7PM): US Explorers, Dino Edition*



TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY (10AM): Dino Storytimes



TUESDAY (4:30PM): T-Rex Tea Party*



WEDNESDAY (4:30PM): Pizza & Pages, Dino-themed books*



THURSDAY (10:30AM): Dino Play-Doh Club



THURSDAY (6PM): STEAM Club, Dino Edition*



ALL WEEK: Dinosaur Scavenger Hunt in the Children's Area