



# BOOKS

BALDWIN PUBLIC LIBRARY



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# BETWEEN

Local students know that a Baldwin library card is their ticket to unlimited information and entertainment. Read more about the So Much To See, So Much To Do @ your library program on page 2.

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## New focus at Baldwin

Fall 2009 has brought a change in leadership at the Baldwin Public Library. The Library Board has appointed the two of us—Matt Church, Associate Director, Public Services, and Doug Koschik, Associate Director, Technical Services—to share the responsibilities of Interim Director. Between us, we bring nearly 40 years of management and library experience to the table. Through our close partnership, we will strive to ensure the continued vitality of Baldwin.

Baldwin's stated mission is to "enhance the quality of life in our communities and serve as a portal to the world's knowledge." The Library accomplishes this through its fine staff, rich collections, and

an extensive array of youth, teen and adult programs. In the past ten years, we have been very successful in achieving our service goals. The number of items checked out from the Library has increased 124%, and the number of people attending Baldwin's programs has increased 186%.

The Library Board is committed to maintaining a high level of service even as Baldwin's management team adopts a new business model, one that places more emphasis on cost containment, enhanced revenues, and improved relations with all elements of the communities that Baldwin serves.

We sincerely appreciate all of the support that Baldwin receives from the citizens and leaders of Birmingham, Beverly Hills and Bingham Farms, and look forward to building on that support in order to make Baldwin an even finer library.

Matt Church

Interim Director,  
Public Services

Doug Koschik

Interim Director,  
Technical Services

## YOUR LIBRARY In the Spotlight

### Library and school collaboration puts library cards in hands of area students



Baldwin Public Library and the other public libraries that serve students attending Birmingham Public Schools are working in partnership to encourage students to have their own library card from their home library. Youth and Teen Librarians from Baldwin have been visiting classrooms to show students that a library card can be the most important school supply of all.

Having a library card will let students check out books, games, movies, music, audio books and more! Students with a Baldwin library card can reserve materials, request items from other libraries and receive priority registration for our programs. They can also access our databases and other online resources from home. Databases provided by the library have been carefully selected to provide reliable, easily searchable information. Having a Baldwin library card also provides the ability to use many other libraries in this area.

When school media specialists and Baldwin librarians work together, they make it possible for students to access a larger universe of information. To make sure your student has the most important school supply of all, get him or her signed up for a Baldwin library card.

Visit [www.baldwinlib.org/card](http://www.baldwinlib.org/card) for additional information and a library card application form. Come into the library and get started today!

### Baldwin Public Library Trust Donor List: June 2009-August 2009

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## ADULTS

# In the Spotlight

**WINTER MUSIC SERIES**  
**Sheila Landis Trio**  
**"Percussion Around the World" – a family event!**



**Sunday, January 24 at 2 p.m.**  
**Registration required.\***

Fun for the whole family – youth, teens and adults. Dash away the winter blues with some hot and jazzy music. Hands-on fun for all ages as you learn to play the Bossa Nova, the Samba and more.

**Valentine's Day Concert**  
**Sunday, February 14 at 2 p.m.**  
**Registration required.\***

Enjoy some sweets and a delightful one-hour concert. The Beaumont Quartet is comprised of professional musicians from Traverse City to Toledo. The quartet features the violin, viola and cello.

## Writers Live

Books will be available for purchase and signing.  
**LIMITED SEATING**

**Dr. Terri Orbuch,**  
**The Love Doctor**  
**Wednesday, January 20**  
**at 7 p.m.**

**Registration required.\***

How do you manage successful relationships in stressful times? Dr. Terri Orbuch, *Detroit Free Press* columnist, author of *5 Simple Steps to Take your Marriage from Good to Great* and featured guest on Fox 2, will help us restore our romantic relationships during these stressful times. Fostering supportive relationships, money issues and conflict resolution are just a few of the topics that the "Love Doctor" will discuss.

**GARDENING SERIES**  
**Perennials: Gardening with Color**

**Tuesday, March 2 at 7 p.m.**  
**Registration required.\***

**Presented by English Gardens.**

Create a colorful, beautiful garden using perennials. This program will discuss the basics of design, care and planting of perennials in the landscape. Information will be given on selecting plant materials, combining colors and varieties of plants, as well as caring for perennials during and after the growing season.

**How to Grow Your Own Food**  
**Tuesday, April 6 at 7 p.m.**  
**Registration required.\***  
**Presented by English Gardens.**

Growing your own fruits, vegetables, and herbs is a great way to save money, eat healthy, and introduce children to the joys of gardening. Learn the basics of planning, planting, maintaining and harvesting an edible garden in this informative session.



## TOUGH TIMES LIBRARY LIFELINES

**Resumé Workshop**  
**Saturday, February 27**  
**at 10 a.m.**

**Registration required.\***

Visit the computer lab and get help writing and formatting your resumé and/or cover letter with Microsoft Word. Copy your files to a USB flash drive and bring to class.

**Interviewing Skills**  
**Tuesday, March 16**  
**at 6:30 p.m.**

**Registration required.\***

Dr. Julia Matthews, a professional job coach, will demonstrate skills that will help you land and keep a job. Bring your questions and examples of interview problems.

## BOOK CLUBS

All book clubs welcome new members.  
 Multiple copies of the books are available for check out.  
 These books were purchased through the generosity of  
 the Friends of Baldwin Public Library.

**Wednesday Afternoon**  
**Book Group**

**This active group meets the 2nd**  
**Wednesday of each month**  
**at 2 p.m. Everyone is welcome!!!**

Multiple copies of the books are provided by our generous Friends of Baldwin Public Library.

**January 13, *Still Alice* by Lisa Genova**

**February 10, *The Plot Against America***  
 by Philip Roth

**March 10, *The Guernsey Literary and***  
*Potato Peel Pie Society*  
 by Mary Ann Shaffer

**Books at Lunch**

**1st Wednesday of each month**  
**at noon January 6, February 3,**  
**March 3**

What have you been reading lately? Join others to share your 'great reads' on the 1st Friday of each month at noon. Bring your lunch and we'll supply tea and coffee.

\* In January, we'll meet on the second Friday as the first Friday is New Year's Day.

**Socrates Café**

**3rd Sunday of each month at 2 p.m.**  
**January 17, February 21, March 21**

Looking for some thoughtful conversation? Join this welcoming group to discuss a different topic each month.

**Baldwin's Own Knitting Group**  
**2nd and 4th Mondays**  
**of each month at 7 p.m.**  
**January 11 & 25, February 8 & 22**  
**March 8 & 22**

No matter what your skill level, this group welcomes you.

## FREE PUBLIC LECTURE SERIES



**From the Birmingham**  
**Historical Society**

**At 7 p.m. in the library's lower level.**  
**Attendance is FREE**  
**and no registration is required.**

This year's series of lectures on our unique place in history is being co-sponsored and hosted by the Baldwin Public Library.

**Balthazar Korab:**  
**Mid-Century Modernism**

**January 26 at 7 p.m.**

Balthazar Korab, architect, photographer, and author, has documented the places where we live and work.

**Detroit Windsor Tunnel:**  
**A History**

**March 23 at 7 p.m.**

Since the mid 1800s a number of efforts to establish a physical bridge or tunnel link between Detroit and Windsor were pursued.

**Learning in Retirement**  
**Celebrating our 5th Year!**

**The Supreme Court—**  
**Its Justices and Decisions**

**Wednesdays, 10 a.m. to Noon**  
**Orientation Session on January 13**  
**January 20 through March 24**

**Registration required.\***

**Fee \$50.00**

Join us Wednesdays this winter as we investigate the United States Supreme Court, its justices, and decisions. Learning in Retirement is not a lecture series. Participants research and present their findings on topics that will help build understanding of the Supreme Court. Join us for edifying discussions that promise to provide perspective and insight into our nation's highest court.

**Tax Assistance**

**Thursdays, February 4,**  
**March 4, & April 1**  
**9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.**

AARP Tax-Aide counselors will provide free tax help for tax payers from low to middle income with special attention to those aged 60 and older. Preference will be given to those with appointments - 248-554-4650.

**2010 Roth IRA Conversion**  
**Tuesday, January 12 at 7 p.m.**

**Registration required.\***

Seeger-Elvekrog Inc. will explain the changes in tax law. Traditional IRAs can be converted to Roth IRAs by paying taxes on the balance at the time of conversion. From that point forward, income, capital gains and withdrawals are tax free. Prior to January 1, 2010, Roth conversions are only permitted for taxpayers with incomes under \$100,000. Starting January 1, the income limitation is removed and anyone can convert to a Roth.

## COMPUTERS

## In the Spotlight

Interested in learning a new computer skill? Ready to put the Internet to work for you by investing online or selling on eBay? We've got the perfect computer class for you.

Registration is required, and is confirmed upon payment (cash, check or charge, no refunds). Space cannot be held until payment is received. Contact the Adult Services at 248-554-4650.

### One-on-One Computer Tutoring

Set up a one-on-one appointment with a librarian to get computer help. Tutoring is available on the software that the Library supports. Contact the Adult Services desk at 248-554-4650.

### Become a Blogger

**Tuesday, December 1 at 7 p.m.**  
Registration required.\*  
(FEE \$5)

Create a blog with text and multimedia in this single-session class. Prerequisites: Basic understanding of Windows, word processing functions, Internet navigation and how to use a mouse.

### Editing Photos with Free Stuff

**Wednesday, December 2  
or Thursday, January 7 at 7 p.m.**  
Registration required.\*  
(FEE \$5)

Fix your photos with free software in this single-session class. Learn how to make your photos look like a million bucks for just five dollars. Prerequisites: Basic understanding of Windows, Internet navigation and use of a mouse.

### Introduction to Microsoft Excel 2007

**Thursday, December 3 or Tuesday,  
February 16 at 7 p.m.**  
Registration required.\*  
(FEE \$5)

This single-session class covers spreadsheet fundamentals using Microsoft Excel. You will learn how to create, modify, save and print a spreadsheet. Prerequisites: Basic understanding of Windows and use of a mouse.

### Computer Basics

**Saturday, December 5 at 10 a.m.  
or Tuesday, January 5 at 7 p.m.**  
Registration required.\*  
(FEE \$5.00)

In this single-session class, learn the main components and functions of a computer including opening and closing programs and moving and resizing windows.

### Introduction to Microsoft PowerPoint 2007

**Tuesday, December 8 at 7 p.m.  
or Tuesday, February 9 at 7 p.m.**  
Registration required.\*  
(FEE \$5.00)

This single-session class introduces users to PowerPoint. Learn the basic editing functions to create a slideshow. Prerequisites: Basic understanding of Windows, Microsoft Word, and how to use a mouse.

### Intermediate Gmail

**Wednesday, December 9, at 7 p.m.  
or Wednesday, February 17  
at 7 p.m.**

Registration required.\*  
(NO FEE)

Have a Gmail account but don't know how to use all of the features? In this single-session class, we'll show you how to attach a document, how to label and archive email, how to create a vacation responder and more. Prerequisite, Intro to Gmail or equivalent and a Gmail account.

### Digital Camera Basics

**Saturday, December 12 at 10 a.m.**  
Registration required.\*  
(FEE \$5)

In this single-session class, participants will learn about the various features of digital cameras. If you've been considering purchasing a digital camera, but want the chance to learn more before you do, then this class is for you.

### Digital Photo Editing

**Tuesday, January 12, 19 & 26  
at 7 p.m.**  
Registration required.\*  
(FEE \$15)

This three-session class will cover the basics of photo enhancement and manipulation using Photoshop Elements. Crop, improve skin tone, whiten teeth, remove objects from pictures and more. Prerequisites: Basic understanding of Windows and use of a mouse.

### Databases to Save You Money

**Wednesday, January 13 at 7 p.m.**  
Registration required.\*  
(NO FEE)

Everyone is looking for a way to save (or to make) a buck. Why not use the Library's free resources to do it? Learn about Chilton's Automotive Database for car repair, Antiques Reference for pricing home antiques, Legal Forms for small legal matters, and Consumer Reports for new appliances. Participants must have basic computing and Internet skills.

### Digital Video Editing

**Thursdays, January 14 & 21  
at 7 p.m.**  
Registration required.\*  
(FEE \$15)

This two-session class will cover the basics of video editing using Premiere Elements. Edit footage, add titles, music and more. Prerequisites: Basic understanding of Windows and use of a mouse.

### Audiobook Downloads

**Call the Adult Services at  
248-554-4650 to make  
an appointment.**

Do you want to be able to download Audiobooks directly to your computer? To your MP3 player or iPod? The library has these available for you. Make an appointment with a librarian one-on-one to learn how these systems work with your computer and your MP3 player.



### Introduction to Gmail

**Wednesday, January 27 at 7 p.m.**  
Registration required.\*  
(NO FEE)

In this single-session class, participants will set-up a Gmail email account and learn how to compose, send and read messages. Gmail is a fast, free and searchable email with less spam. Gmail makes locating messages so easy that you'll never need to shuffle mail in your inbox again. Participants must have basic Internet skills.

### Introduction to Microsoft Word 2007

**Tuesday, February 2 at 7 p.m.**  
Registration required.\*  
(FEE \$5)

This single-session class covers the fundamentals of word processing using Microsoft Word. You will learn how to create, modify, save and print a document. Prerequisites: Basic understanding of Windows and use of a mouse.

### Online Office Suites

**Thursday, February 4 at 7 p.m.**  
Registration required.\*  
(FEE \$5)

This single session class explores the online world of free productivity software. Online word processing, presentation tools and spreadsheets will be discussed. Prerequisites: Basic understanding of Windows and use of a mouse.

### Your Library From Home 24 Hours a Day

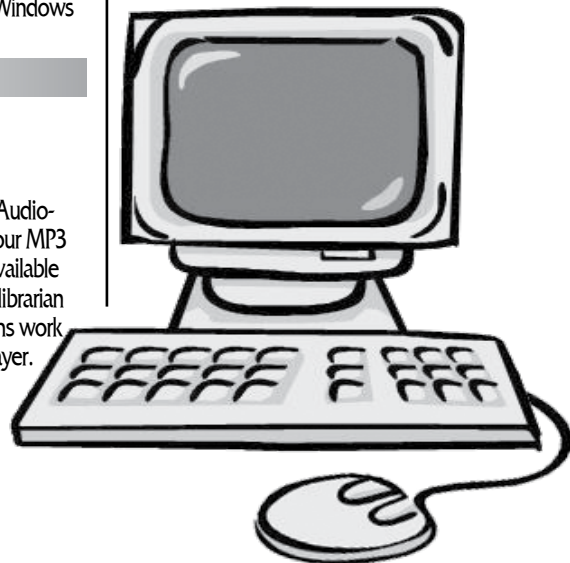
**Introduction to eBooks  
and eAudiobooks  
Saturday, February 6 at 10 a.m.**  
Registration required.\*

Do you want to read or listen to books from the privacy of your computer? In this introductory class learn the difference between these two types of books and learn about the library's downloadable media. Participants must have basic Internet skills.

### Podcasting

**Thursday, February 25 at 7 p.m.**  
Registration required.\*  
(FEE \$5)

Do you have something to say? Say it in a podcast. In this single-session class, learn what a podcast is, how to record, edit and enhance the underlying audio, and how to make your podcast available online.



# YOUTH PROGRAMS In the Spotlight

## Tumblebooks and One More Story

The Library subscribes to two wonderful online programs just right for emerging and early readers. **Tumblebooks** are e-books for e-kids. Here you can enjoy interactive stories, puzzles and games, foreign language stories, books for beginning readers, and even send an e-card to your friends.

**One More Story** is an online library of the best children's literature. Children can hear a book, see a book and even read a book. Stop in anytime to try out these great products provided for your use by the Library. Share the love of children's books and a child-friendly computer experience with your emerging reader today.



## Skylab Planetarium

**Tuesday, January 26 at 4:30 p.m.**  
**Recommended for Ages 4 & up.**  
**Registration required.\***

A star guide from Stardogs Astronomy will take you on a tour among the stars. Join your fellow space travelers in a portable star dome and experience the mysteries of the universe. Space is limited, so sign up today!



**Draw a Superhero with Chris Girard**  
**Monday, March 1 at 4:15 p.m.**  
**Grades 3-6.**

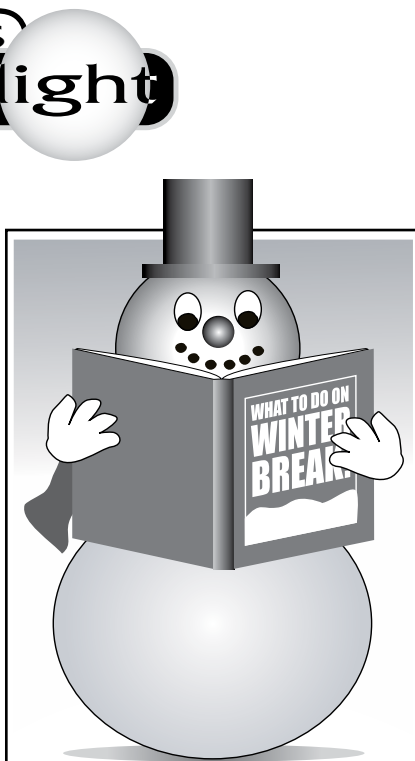
**Registration required.\***

Draw superheroes and action figures with artist Chris Girard, instructor from the Birmingham Bloomfield Art Center.



**Alice in Wonderland Gala**  
**Saturday, March 6 at 10:30 a.m.**  
**All ages; families welcome.**  
**Registration required.\***

Enter the world of Wonderland; follow the White Rabbit; drink tea with the Mad Hatter; let your imagination grow! Stories, games, activities, and fun!



**WINTER BREAK 2009**  
**December 21 – January 3**

## “You’re Never Too Old”

– Nostalgia Day  
**Tuesday, December 22**  
**at 10 a.m. & 2 p.m.**

**Classic stories for all ages.**  
**Registration required.\***

Let your child hear the stories you remember as we bring some of the world's most time-honored books and stories back for you to enjoy.

## “Stuff” You Grew Up With

**Ages 7 and up.**  
**Registration required.\***  
Remember those games and toys that you played with in the “good old days”? Step back in time and have a little fun with some activities for which you are “never too old”.

## Family School Break Story Time

**Monday, December 28**  
**10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.**  
**All ages**

Join our friendly youth staff for seasonal stories and songs.

## Joel Tacey’s “Wacky Winter Comedy Show”

**Tuesday, December 29**  
**2:00 p.m. All ages.**  
**Registration required.\***

Laugh out loud and celebrate the winter season. Enjoy Joel's dazzling juggling and a creative blend of clever tricks and audience favorites. Lots of audience participation will warm up the short December days.

## Family School Break Movie

**Wednesday, December 30**  
**2:00 p.m.**  
**All Ages Free**



Visit our craft table in the Youth Room anytime all week and make a special project to take home.

## Kindergarten-First Grade Book Parties

**Thursdays at 4:15 p.m.**  
**December 10 – Parlez-vous Francais**  
**January 14 – Nate the Great**

–A special event with a personal appearance by Nate himself.

**February 4 – Love Bug**  
**March 11 – Up and Down the Nile**  
**Registration required.\***

Register now for after-school fun of stories, games, crafts & snacks!

## Baldwin Bookends Writing Club

**Thursdays at 4:30 p.m.**  
**Grades 3-6**

**January 21 – Not Everyone Wants to Hear It: Know Your Audience**  
**February 25 – Where Are We?:**

**Creating Setting**  
**March 18 – Point of View: Who Is Melvin Bubble?**

**Registration required.\***

Do you love to read? Do you scribble stories in your spare time? Have you ever wanted to continue the story after a book ends? Then you may be a writer! We'll look to our favorite books for inspiration, do a little doodling ourselves, and share what we're working on.

## Join the Ruff Readers!

**Back by popular demand!**

**Saturdays**  
**from 10 a.m. – Noon**  
**Tuesday evenings**

**from 6:30-7:30 p.m.**  
**Tuesday, December 15**  
**& Saturday, December 19**

**Tuesday, January 19**  
**& Saturday, January 9**  
**Tuesday, February 23**

**& Saturday, February 27**  
**Tuesday, March 23**  
**& Saturday, March 20**

**Ages 6 and up.**  
**Registration required.\***

Read aloud to the best listener on earth – a specially trained dog from Therapy Dogs International.

## BOOK CLUBS

Enjoy great discussion, activities and a snack.  
Books provided by the Friends of the Baldwin Library.  
Registration required.\*

## Books Plus Book Club

**Grades 2-3 and a favorite adult.**  
**Thursdays at 4:15 p.m.**

**January 7 – Owen Foote: Money Man**  
by Stephanie Greene

**February 11 – Mr. Louie Is Screwed**  
by Dan Gutman

**March 4 – Clementine** by Sara Pennypacker

## Guys Only! Book Club

**Grades 4-6 for boys with dads, grandfathers, uncles, brothers and friends. Mondays at 7 p.m.**

**January 25 – Larklight** by Philip Reeve  
**February 22 – Billy Creekmore**

by Tracey Porter

**March 15 – Silverwing** by Kenneth Oppel

## Mother/Daughter Book Club

**Grades 4-6 young women and their moms. Mondays at 7 p.m.**

**January 11 – Emma-Jean Lazarus Fell**  
**Out of a Tree** by Stephanie Greene

**February 8 – Dragon Slippers**

by Jessica Day George

**March 1 – The Golden Hour**

by Maiya Williams

# Story Times

## STORY TIMES

### Babytime: 0 – 18 months

**Mondays & Tuesdays,  
10 & 11 a.m.**

**December 7, 8, 21, 22**

**January 4, 5, 18, 19**

**February 1, 2, 15, 16**

**March 1, 2, 15, 16, 29, 30**

**No registration required.\***

Child and a loving adult.

### Mother Goose: 1 ½ - 2 ½ years

**Tuesdays & Thursdays,  
10 & 11 a.m.**

**December 1, 3, 15, 17**

**January 12, 14, 26, 28**

**February 9, 11, 23, 25**

**March 9, 11, 23, 25**

**Registration required.\***

Child and a loving adult.

### Sing & Tell: 2 ½ - 3 ½ years

**Thursdays & Fridays,  
10 & 11 a.m.**

**December 10, 11**

**January 7, 8, 21, 22**

**February 4, 5**

**March 4, 5, 18, 19**

**Registration required.\***

Child and a loving adult.

### Just Me Stories: 3 ½ - 5 years

**Wednesdays, 10 a.m.**

**December 9**

**January 6, 20**

**February 10, 24**

**March 10, 24**

**Registration required.\***

Independent listeners.

### My First Math and Science

**Tuesdays & Wednesdays at 2 p.m.**

**December 8, 9 –*Math: Sorting***

**January 5, 6 –*Math: Weight & Measure***

**January 19, 20 –*Science: Chemistry of Cooking***

**February 9, 10 –*Math: Addition & Subtraction***

**February 23, 24 –*Science: Health & Hygiene***

**March 9, 10 –*Math: Money***

**March 23, 24 –*Science: Wonderful Wind***

**Registration required.\***

Activities, concepts, stories and take-home material for ages 3 and up.



### Stories from Around the World

**Monthly evening family story times at 6:30 p.m.**

**Monday, January 11 –*Gute Nacht***

–German bedtime tales

**Tuesday, February 9**

–*An Evening in Japan* – Stories, songs and fun facts from the Orient

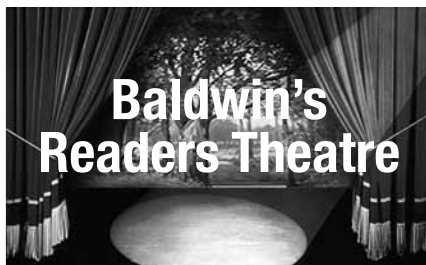
**Wednesday, March 17**

**St. Patrick's Day Party**

– Everyone is Irish for a day.

**Registration required.\***

All ages; families welcome.



**Audition!**  
**Wednesday, February 3 at 4:15 p.m.**

**Rehearsals every Wednesday.  
Readers - Grades 3-6  
Registration required.\***

Lights! Camera! Action! Are you ready for your acting debut?

Baldwin's Readers Theatre spring production is looking for you. Tweens are invited to join Baldwin's Readers Theatre for a chance to be in the spotlight without memorizing any lines.

### Production!

**Baldwin's Readers Theatre  
presents an  
original production of  
*Sideways Stories*  
from *Wayside School*  
by Louis Sachar  
Wednesday, March 3  
at 7 p.m.**

**All ages. Tickets at Youth Desk.**

Enjoy a lively theatrical program as Baldwin's Readers Theatre performs scenes from *Sideways Stories from Wayside School*

### Martin Luther King Day Celebration

**Monday, January 18 at 2 p.m.**

**All ages.**

**Registration required.\***

Join our professional staff for a very special story time to celebrate this great American. Activities also available at the craft tables all day.



### Nate the Great Party

**Thursday, January 14 at 4:15 p.m.**

**Ages 4 and up**

**Registration required.\***

Meet the great detective in person! Hear some of his greatest cases. Enjoy activities, games, snacks and more!

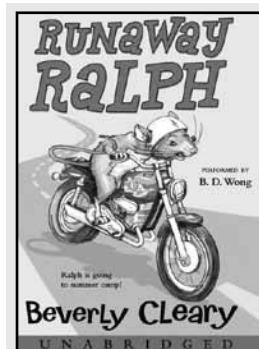
### Caldecott Award-Winning Stories

**Saturday, January 23 at 10:30 a.m.**

**All ages and families.  
Registration required.\***

Hear and see the best picture books of the year at this special weekend story time.

Choose your favorites and see if you agree with the judges!



### Sheila Landis Trio “Percussion Around the World” – a family event!

**Sunday, January 24**

**at 2 p.m.**

**Registration required.\***

Fun for the whole family – youth, teens and adults. Dash away the winter blues with some hot and jazzy music. Hands-on fun for all ages as you learn to play the Bossa Nova, the Samba and more.

### Baby Yoga

**Wednesday, January 13**

**10 a.m. for babies**

**birth to 12 months**

**11 a.m. for babies**

**12 to 24 months**

**Registration required.\***

Yoga Babies are calm, happy babies! Give your baby the benefit of yoga as you guide them into fun animal postures and move to soft soothing music. Bring a towel or mat and wear comfortable clothing.

### Pre-School Information Night

**Tuesday, January 12**

**from 6:30-8 p.m.**

**The Community House, 300 South Bates, Birmingham, MI 48009**

**No registration required.**

Jointly sponsored by the Baldwin Public Library, Bloomfield Township Library, and The Community House.

Bring all of your questions and concerns during this special opportunity to meet with area pre-school representatives. Find out about various curricula, options, and programs.



### Tween Podcast Workshop

**Friday, January 12**

**& Saturday, January 13**

**at 4:15 p.m.**

**Grade 3-6**

**Registration required.\***

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### Cupid Comes to the Library

**Saturday, February 6, at 10:30 a.m.**

**All ages.**

**Registration required.\***

Roses are red, violets are blue,

Cupid is flying right over to you!

Get ready for the big day with stories, valentines, heart healthy snacks and activities!

### Celebrate the Author:

**Beverly Cleary, creator of  
*Ramona & Runaway Ralph***

**Thursday, March 25**

**at 4:15 p.m. Grades 2-5**

**Registration required.\***

Beezus and Ramona made their movie debut this month. Let's celebrate their creator and all of their friends with a fun afternoon of stories, games, trivia, treats, and more!

## MIDWINTER BREAK: February 15 – 19 “Week of the Olympians”

Join us for a week-long celebration of the heroes and heroines of Mt. Olympus. Mythological crafts and activities will be available in the Youth Room throughout the week.



### Lightning Thief Premier Party Tuesday, February 16 at 2 p.m. Grades 3-6 Registration required.\*

Percy Jackson makes his screen debut this month and we will celebrate. Gods and Titans and Monsters, oh my! Visit Half-Blood Camp and test your heroic abilities. Contests, activities, games and snacks. Do you have what it takes to be an Olympian?

### LEGO Contest: Temples of the Gods Wednesday, February 17 from 1-5 p.m. Ages 5 and up. Registration required.\*

Design your own structure worthy of the Greek and Roman heroes of myth. Spend an afternoon at the library creating your best design out of LEGOs. Bring your own LEGOs and your imagination, and build a space that is out of this world. Then stay for the judging! Entry forms will be available at the Youth Desk February 1.

### Max and Ruby Story Time Thursday, February 18 at 10 a.m. & 2 p.m. Ages 3 and up. Registration required.\*

Hear stories about everyone's favorite bunnies, as Max and his sister Ruby, learn about Pandora's Box and King Midas. Stories, activities, crafts and lots of fun.

### Family Movie – Hercules Friday, February 19 at 1:30 p.m.

Finish the week by enjoying the animated feature about this Greek hero.

### Skateboarding Tune Up and Tricks Saturday, March 13 at 2 p.m. Ages 5 and up Registration required.\*

Do you skateboard? Do you want to learn? Come meet a professional from Modern Skate & Surf who will share the history of the sport, tips on safety and cool moves with a live demonstration!

### Mr. Seley with Cello Bella Family Concert Sunday, March 21 at 2:00 p.m. All ages

Celebrate the first day of spring with the mellow acoustic sounds of a cello, violin, and two guitars featuring Birmingham's own Mr. Seley. This is music for all ages, so bring the family and your friends to hear some outstanding live music at the library.

## TEEN PROGRAMS

# In the Spotlight

### • BALDWIN BOOK BLOG:

Read and talk about books. Join today. Email [teenlibrarian@baldwinlib.org](mailto:teenlibrarian@baldwinlib.org) to join.

### • BALDWIN TEEN WEBSITE:

Check it out for the latest news and good reads. [www.baldwinlib.org/teen](http://www.baldwinlib.org/teen)

### • TEEN OPEN STUDY LAB:

Need a place to study away from home? Come to the library to prepare for exams. No time limits, no sign in, just a quiet place to work. Check the Adult Services Desk for quiet study locations during your exam week.

### Pizza and Pages First Thursday of the Month From 7-8 p.m. Grades 6 and up. Registration required.\* December 3:

*The Hunger Games* by Suzanne Collins

### January 7:

*Nation* by Terry Pratchett

### February 4:

*City of Bones* by Cassandra Clare

Join us for free pizza and great reads! Stop by for your free copy of the “book of the month” at the Adult Services Desk. Come and discuss what you're reading now and get ideas from other teens about great reads. This program is co-sponsored by Cottage Inn Pizza. Books are generously donated by the Friends of Baldwin Public Library.

### Teen Advisory Council Third Thursday of the Month! Same time, same place....7-8 p.m. Grades 6 and up.

Thursday, December 17

Thursday, January 21

Thursday, February 18

Teen Consultants plan and promote exciting new teen programs, participate in special projects, and discuss books, movies, music and Web sites. Come to a meeting and let your voice be heard.

### Gaming @ the Library Open Gaming Nights Thursdays from 6:30-8:30 p.m. December 10, January 14 February 11 & 25

**No gaming on December 24!** Drop-in for practice and fun. Come to the library and sharpen your Wii skills. You can bring your own console and games and play with your friends. DDR will also be set up. Please label your personal equipment!

### Sheila Landis Trio “Percussion Around the World” – a family event! Sunday, January 24 at 2 p.m. Registration required.\*

Fun for the whole family – youth, teens and adults. Dash away the winter blues with some hot and jazzy music. Hands-on fun for all ages as you learn to play the Bossa Nova, the Samba and more.

### Babysitting Tips with the American Red Cross

Saturday, January 30

From 2-3:30 p.m.

Grades 6 and above.

Registration required.\*

Learn the most important babysitting skills in this 90 minute workshop presented by Kathy Danaher, an official trainer from the American Red Cross. This special session will give teens a taste of what they should know to prepare for babysitting. The program also includes suggested library resources to add to a sitter's “bag of tricks” guaranteed to delight the most reluctant clients.

### Got Duct Tape? Thursday, January 28 From 7-8 p.m. Registration required.\*

Who says duct tape is only good for fixing things? With a variety of colors to choose from and so many creation possibilities, duct tape has become fashionable! Come learn how to make your very own duct tape wallet in this hands-on workshop.



### Baldwin Teen Book Blog

Read and talk about books! Take a look at the Baldwin Teen Book Blog on the Teen page at [www.baldwinlib.org/teen](http://www.baldwinlib.org/teen). Email [teenlibrarian@baldwinlib.org](mailto:teenlibrarian@baldwinlib.org) to join in the conversation!

## COMING SOON!

### March is Reading Month



### April is Poetry Month



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\*Priority registration given to residents of  
Birmingham, Beverly Hills and Bingham Farms

## Save the date!

**Scott Turow to visit Baldwin  
April 15 at 4 p.m.**

A writer and attorney, Turow is the author of seven best-selling novels and is the Everyone's Reading author for 2010. His books have been translated into more than 25 languages, sold more than 25 million copies world-wide and have been adapted into one full length film and two television miniseries. Demand to hear Turow is bound to exceed our meeting room capacity. We will hold a raffle to distribute tickets, limited to Baldwin library card holders. Visit [www.baldwinlib.org/turow](http://www.baldwinlib.org/turow) for details in March.

**"No one writes better  
mystery suspense novels  
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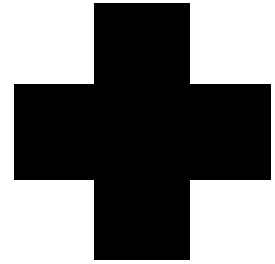
## CHECK[IT]OUT

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This holiday season, one community around downtown means more than ever. To give you extra incentive to browse beyond the library, flash your **Baldwin Library Card** at participating stores for a discount or special offer.

After all, nothing goes better with increased brain power than a cup of coffee and some smart shoes.

For more information on the program, or to find participating stores, check out [www.baldwinlib.org/checkitout](http://www.baldwinlib.org/checkitout)



## American Red Cross Blood Drive

**Friday, February 26  
10 a.m. to 4 p.m.**

Every 24 hours, an average of 21,000 people across the nation receive a blood transfusion from an American Red Cross blood donor. As a blood donor, you have the power to help change lives. You can do this by simply rolling up your sleeves to give through the American Red Cross. To be a part of Baldwin Library's blood drive, please register by calling 1-877-505-9527. Thank you for helping to change a life.

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Sunday 12:00 noon - 5:00 p.m.

### Library Closings

Christmas, Dec. 24 & 25

New Years Dec. 31 (at 5:30 p.m.)

& Jan. 1, 2010

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