



Friends of Bayliss Public Library

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NEWSLETTER

Summer, 2025

It's Book Sale Time!



Summer's here, so it's time for the Annual Friends Summer Gently-Used Book Sale! We'll have tables of books and other items spread out inside and outside at Bayliss Library (weather permitting). The sale starts at 9 a.m. on Friday, August 1, and runs until 4 p.m.; on Saturday, August 2, the sale runs from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. The Saturday Special will be \$3.00 per bag of books—paper, plastic, tote bag, or back pack (excludes Nearly New, Really Recent, and specially-priced items).

We'll have lots of hardcover and paperback books of all genres, plenty of fun puzzles, a variety of interesting magazines, DVDs and a selection of audio books, all at the bargain price of \$.50 each or 3 for \$1.00. The Nearly-New table will be piled with recent best-sellers, at a great price of \$4.00 each or 2 for \$7.00. We'll have a selection of Really-Recent books for \$2.00 each, and a special table of Free Books—the ones we'd rather give away than throw away. There will be some special-priced sale items and a good selection of Michigan history and marine books.

Our Friends-First Early Bird Sale will be held on Thursday, July 31, from 4:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.. If your annual Friends of Bayliss dues are paid up, your Friends-First postcard entry ticket will be mailed to you; you should receive it by Monday, July 28. But it's still not too late to sign up. Dues are only \$15.00 per year and can be paid at the Bayliss Library Circulation Desk. Once paid, you'll be given a postcard ticket for the Friends-First Sale. We've got 2 special offers for the Friends-First Sale: Bring in your Friends of Bayliss tote bag and fill it up for only \$5.00. Or get 1 free hardcover or paperback book. (Offers do not include Nearly New, Really Recent, or specially-priced items.) If you don't have a Friends of Bayliss tote bag, you can buy one at the Bayliss Circulation Desk or at the Friends-First Sale, for only \$10.00. It's our way of saying "Thanks for Being a Friend of Bayliss Library!"

Thank you for your continued support of our book sales and Bayliss Public Library. We hope to see you at our Summer Book Sale!

Friends of Bayliss Annual Gently-Used Summer Book Sale!

**Friday, August 1
9 a.m. to 4 p.m.**

**Saturday, August 2
9 a.m. to 1 p.m.**

**Inside & Outside
at Bayliss Library**

**Books, Puzzles,
DVDs, Audio Books,
and Magazines!**

**Something for
Everyone!**

**All Proceeds Benefit
Bayliss Public Library
(an affiliate of
Superior District Library)**

**Here's One More
Book Donation Day!
Monday, July 28, 11-1 pm
Help us stock up for the
Big Summer Book Sale!**

FRIENDS' 2025 ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

January 2025

Time to renew your
Friends' Membership!



Winter Newsletter

April 2025

Plan your new gardens with
books, videos, and magazines
from Bayliss Library.

Spring Newsletter

July 2025

Enjoy the "Coolest Place in Town"

- Air-Conditioned
Bayliss Library



Summer Newsletter

October 2025

**Find Craft books at
Bayliss Library, to make your own
Holiday Gifts & Decor!**

Autumn Newsletter

February 2025

Valentine's Sweet Sale
Pick up Sweet Treats for your
Special Valentine!
Happy Valentine's Day!

May 2025

Check out the
Summer Farmers Market,
Wednesdays, 4—6:30 p.m.
corner of Ashmun & Portage

August 2025

**The BIG Summer
Used Book Sale!**
Friday, August 1 9-4
Saturday, August 2 9-1
Lots of Books, DVDs, Puzzles



November 2025



**HAPPY
THANKSGIVING!**

March 2025

Check out the Winter Farmers
Market at Bayliss Library
Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Board Meeting

June 2025

Pick up "Beach Reads" or
Movies for rainy days,
at Bayliss Library

Board Meeting

September 2025



The days turn cool
and it's back to school!

Board Meeting

December 2025

**HAPPY
HOLIDAYS
TO ALL!**



Board Meeting

ANOTHER GREAT SWEETS SALE!

This year's Sweets Sale was another successful fundraising event for the library. Thanks to the generous donations of baked goods and patrons, we were able to raise \$1,108.95, which is our second highest total for this annual fundraiser, just \$5.00 short of last year's record-setting total. As always, these proceeds will directly benefit Bayliss Public Library.

The tables were filled with colorful and delicious treats, everything that our shoppers could want! Thanks to the following Sweets Sale workers:

Sue Hendershott, Linda Bush, Gail Essmaker, Barb Ludwig, Connie Pim, and Deanna Burton.

Thanks to the following bakers of the delicious treats:

Judy Sirk, Leanne Deuman, Jan Jobes, Michelle Ribant, Krystle Gerzetic, Jeanne Wellington, Cynthia Severance,

Bev Youngs, Shelly Kinnear, Sue Hendershott, Jamie Randolph, Linda Bush, Connie Pim, Sandy Lawson, Deanna Burton, Sharon Jones, Linda Stoetzer, Alexandra Osetek—"Baker Extraordinaire"!, Kathy Flickinger, Gladys Teske, Barb Ludwig, Donna Payment, Andrea Masters, and Linda Fazzari.

Apologies to any bakers not listed as some donations were dropped off early and not labeled.

Each year, we offer a door prize for our generous bakers. This year's prize was a set of body lotion and wash, and was won by Jamie Randolph.

A consideration for 2026 may be starting the sale a bit later than library opening time, as it's difficult to move all baked items onto the set up table before patrons begin arriving. We're already looking forward to next year's Sweets Sale!

Submitted by Sweets Sale Co-Chairs,
Jeanne Cooper and Nancy Chadwick

Friends Board Update

The Friends of Bayliss Board held the Summer Board meeting on June 4, 2025. And some changes were announced. Long-time Board Member and Treasurer Jeanne Wellington has fulfilled her term of office and has decided to resign from the board, to pursue other interests and pay attention to family obligations. So previous board member Cindy Merkel is back, on the Board and in the Treasurer position. Welcome back, Cindy! And many, many thanks to Jeanne for her many years of dedication to the Friends of Bayliss organization. Jeanne has been a stalwart book sale worker and the driving force keeping the Bayliss Browse on-going book sale stocked with new materials. We'll miss you, Jeanne! But she says she'll still be around for the book sales.

We have also accepted the resignation of another long time Board member, Louise Armstrong. Louise and her husband have been "Snow Birds" in Florida for many years but are not able to come back "home" for the summers at this time.

With these recent resignations, we are looking for a couple of new board members to join our team. We currently have 12 board members but our By-Laws allow up to 15. If you are interested in getting involved in the "nuts and bolts" of keeping our Friends of Bayliss Library group going and improving, please send us an email to: baylissfriends@outlook.com. We'll get back to you with information on what our board does and answer any questions you might have.

Also at the Summer meeting, we made a donation of \$6,800 to Bayliss Library, to pay for half of the cost of removing the landscaping on the library grounds. (An

anonymous donor paid the other half of the cost.) Before the work began, the plants and shrubs to be removed were offered to library patrons, so some of them will thrive in new locations.

We were very happy to hear that Bayliss Library is participating in the "Gather 2 Grow" program this summer. This program is sponsored by Feeding America West Michigan, to provide pre-packaged 'grab & go' lunches to kids age 18 & under and developmentally-delayed adults up to age 26. The lunches are available at Bayliss Library on Wednesday thru Friday, between 11:30 a.m. and 1 p.m., and runs until August 29th. It's a great way to nourish kids' bodies and minds during the summer—and it's free, with no questions asked. Please send any kids you know who could benefit from free lunches! Several other UP libraries are also participating in this great program.

**IT'S A BLOCK PARTY
TO CELEBRATE
BAYLISS LIBRARY'S
50TH ANNIVERSARY!
MUSIC! GAMES! ART!
FOOD TRUCKS & MORE!
JULY 18TH, 10 am to 5 pm
ALL ON LIBRARY DRIVE!**

Membership Application Form

I want to be a **Friend of Bayliss Public Library**.

☐ My annual membership donation (\$15.00) is enclosed.

(Newsletter mailing is included in membership, four issues per year.)

☐ Don't mail newsletter; I will pick up at Library or access at Library website (www.bayliss.ploud.net), or email to me at: _____

☐ I'd like to make a special donation (enclosed).

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone: (Day) _____ (Evening) _____

Make checks payable to Friends of Bayliss Library (FOBL)

*Mail to Friends of Bayliss, c/o Bayliss Library, 541 Library Drive, Sault Ste. Marie, MI 49783
or drop off at the Bayliss Library Circulation Desk*

I'd be happy to help.

Please call me about:

Baking for:

☐ Valentine Sweets Sale

**Helping with (phoning,
organizing, working on sale
day, etc.):**

☐ Annual Membership
Drive

☐ Used Book Sales

☐ Valentine Sweets Sale

☐ Silent Auction

☐ **Serving on the Friends'
Board**

Other: _____



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2025-2026 Friends Board:

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Bayliss Public Library

Bayliss Library Hours
an affiliate of Superior District Library

The Library is open: Tuesday and Thursday: 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.
Wednesday and Friday: 9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.
Saturday: 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

NOTE: Check out Bayliss Library on Facebook.
You'll find out what's happening at the "Coolest Place in Town"!

Internet Address: www.bayliss.ploud.net

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One library card works at all of the Superior District Libraries: Bayliss Public Library, Brevort Township Community Library, DeTour Public Library, Drummond Island Library, Engadine Library, Les Cheneaux Community Library, Pickford Community Library, and Mollie R. Kahl Community Library (in Rudyard).
They're all 'Superior' Libraries!

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