



# Friends of Bayliss Public Library

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NEWSLETTER

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## *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 2, and runs until 4 p.m.; on Saturday, August 3, 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 large 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, August 1, 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 29. 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 2  
9 a.m. to 4 p.m.**

**Saturday, August 3  
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)**

## **Book Donation Day!**

**Monday, July 29, 10-Noon**

**Help us stock up for the  
Big Summer Book Sale!**

# ***FRIENDS' 2024 ACTIVITIES CALENDAR***

## ***January 2024***

Time to renew your  
Friends' Membership!

**Winter Newsletter**

## ***April 2024***

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

**Spring Newsletter**

## ***July 2024***

Enjoy the "Coolest Place in Town"  
- Air-Conditioned  
Bayliss Library

**Summer Newsletter**

## ***October 2024***

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

**Autumn Newsletter**

## ***February 2024***

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

## ***May 2024***

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

## ***August 2024***

**The BIG Summer**  
**Used Book Sale!**

**Friday, August 2 9-4**

**Saturday, August 3 9-1**

**Lots of Books, DVDs, Puzzles!**



## ***November 2024***

**HAPPY**  
**THANKSGIVING!**



## ***March 2024***

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

**Board Meeting**

## ***June 2024***

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

**Board Meeting**

## ***September 2024***

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

**Board Meeting**

## ***December 2024***

**HAPPY**  
**HOLIDAYS**  
**TO ALL!**



## ***A RECORD SWEETS SALE!***

This year's Valentine's Day Sweets Sale continued to be a successful endeavor in raising funds for the library. Thanks to the generous donations of baked goods and patrons, we were able to raise \$1,113.15, which is an all-time high for this fundraiser—by almost \$300.00! The tables were filled with colorful and delicious treats, and the shoppers were eager to make their choices and support Bayliss Library.

We couldn't have this sale without the skills and dedication of the bakers. Our thanks to the many talented creators of the sweet treats: Donna Payment, Sabrina Neveu, Sharon Jones, Gladys Teske, Nancy Gillotte, Gail Essmaker, Michelle Ribant, Leanne Deuman, Ronnie Conboy, Debra Zoppa, Nancy Chadwick, Jamie Randolph, Julie Chadwick, Emily Whittington, Shelly Kinnear, Bev Youngs, Susan Hendershott, Linda Bush, Linda Stotzer,

Cris Roll, Jeanne Cooper, Connie Pim, Sharon Forrest, Chris McLean, and Jan Jobes (Baker Extraordinaire!).

Many thanks to our crew of workers, who help before and during the sale - making and distributing posters, setting up tables, packaging and arranging the baked goods, and greeting the shoppers. We appreciate the donations of time from: Nancy Gillotte, Linda Bush, Jeanne Wellington, Lori Tomkinson, Nancy Chadwick, Sharon Forrest, Gladys Teske, Connie Pim, Gail Essmaker, and Christine McLean.

Our thanks, also, to the Bayliss Library staff, who assist in many ways to help our events run smoothly. And who always shop generously at the Sweets Sale!

Each year, we offer a door prize for our generous bakers. This year's prize was an attractive gift box of baker's tools, donated *(continued on next page)*

## Dear Friends We Will Miss

Our Friends group has been saddened by the loss of two of our most devoted and respected members. Sharon Forrest and Veronica (Ronnie) Conboy were both dedicated members of our Friends group for many, many years. They each gave their time and efforts to the success of our events and were always willing to support and patronize Bayliss Library.

Sharon Forrest passed away on April 10 of this year, after a final courageous battle with cancer, and with her loving family by her side. Sharon was a life-long volunteer, first while living in Flint, and then after retiring to Brimley. She loved to garden, support local theater events, and travel. But most of all, Sharon enjoyed spending time with her family and many friends. She was a tireless volunteer with many local organizations, including St. Francis Parish in Brimley

(continued from previous page) by Nancy and Julie Chadwick,. And it was won by Gladys Teske.

For next year, we'll continue to ask for donations for the sweet treats, rather than individually pricing each item. That methods actually seems to bring in more money, while taking less time for set up. And we'll schedule a longer block of time on the day before the sale, for setup and early donations.

We hope all the buyers enjoyed their sweet treats. Thanks for your support! We look forward to seeing you for the Valentine's Day Sweets Sale in 2025!

Submitted by Sweets Sale Co-Chairs,  
*Ronnie Conboy and Jeanne Cooper*

(where she filled many roles), Hospice of the EUP, Brimley Historical Society, Friends of Pendills Creek Fish Hatchery, and Friends of Bayliss Library. Just shortly before she entered hospice care, Sharon had both baked for and worked at the Friends Valentine's Day Sweets Sale. We will dearly miss her willing hands and friendly face when we sort books for the upcoming Book Sale. Her smile would light up a room and make everyone feel happy to be with her.

Ronnie Conboy passed away unexpectedly on May 30, 2024. Ronnie had lived many places before coming to Sault Ste. Marie, but over the past 36 years she had embraced life in the UP and made it "home". She became a hockey fan of the LSSU Lakers and Detroit Red Wings, started making quilts for family and friends, and spread her love of reading by founding a book club that has met continuously since 1992. Ronnie was enjoying her retirement, after a very successful and rewarding career in the Sault Ste. Marie Public School system, working as a para-professional, classroom aide, and librarian. She was a dedicated volunteer at her church and with the Friends of Bayliss Library, serving as our President for several years. Ronnie, too, had been a baker and worker for our Sweets Sale, and we were looking forward to working with her at the upcoming Book Sale. She was just beginning the training to become a volunteer at Hospice of the EUP, which she was looking forward to. We will miss her "can do" spirit and helping hands. She was always ready to help and had good ideas for improvements.

These two ladies were very special in our lives and we can learn from their examples. especially the importance of family and friends. Take the time to be with your friends. Make that lunch date today!

### 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

☐ Garden Committee

☐ **Serving on the Friends' Board**

**Other:** \_\_\_\_\_



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**2023-2024 Friends Board:**

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**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](http://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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