



Friends of Bayliss Public Library

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NEWSLETTER

Valentine Sweets Sale is Back!



It's been two years since we've been able to have an in-person Valentine Sweets Sale but this year it's back! And it's right on Valentine's Day, Tuesday, February 14, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., at Bayliss Public Library (a member of Superior District Library). The tables will be set up near the Circulation Desk, and they'll be spread with lots of sweet treats. Come early for the best selection!

During the Covid Pandemic restrictions, we held "No Bake" sales, and asked for donations, with only paper "cupcakes" in return. This year, we'll have our usual assortment of cookies and cupcakes, bars, pies and cakes, tea breads, cheesecakes, candy, and fudge – all packaged for your safety and enjoyment. It might be hard to choose but you know it'll all be delicious! Pick up some treats for your special Valentine, for your family or neighbors, or take something back to your office and surprise your co-workers. All items will be sold by donation.

Our Sweets Sale Chairperson Nancy Chadwick, and her helpers Jeanne Cooper, and Ronnie Conboy, have been busy calling bakers and sale day workers, but if you haven't been called and would like to help, please give Nancy a call, at (906) 635-1085. If you would like to offer baked goods, you can drop them off at Bayliss Library on the day before the sale (Monday, February 13th), from 11:30 a.m. until 1:30 p.m., in the Community Room (please use the main front door), or on the morning of the sale (Tuesday, the 14th), starting at 9:00 a.m.

All Sweets Sale proceeds will be used to purchase the "extras" that make Bayliss Public Library the up-to-date library that we all use and enjoy. Over the past 25 years, our Friends Valentine Sweets Sales have raised over \$14,000—that's a lot of cookies and cupcakes (even paper "cupcakes")! So stop in for some Valentine treats, and support Bayliss Public Library! We appreciate your donations and hope you enjoy your treats! Happy Valentine's Day to One and All!

*Friends Annual
Valentine Sweets Sale!*

*Tuesday, February 14,
9 a.m. to 4 p.m.,
at Bayliss Public Library*

*Pick up a Sweet Treat for
your favorite Valentine!*

*All Proceeds Benefit
Bayliss Public Library
(a member of
Superior District Library)*

HAPPY

**VALENTINE'S
DAY!**



FRIENDS' 2023 ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

January 2023

Time to renew your
Friends' Membership!

Winter Newsletter

April 2023

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

Spring Newsletter

July 2023

Enjoy the "Coolest Place in Town"

- Air-Conditioned
Bayliss Library

Summer Newsletter

October 2023

Maybe a Silent Auction this year?

Autumn Newsletter

February 2023

***Valentine's Sweet Sale
is back in-person!
February 14, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Happy Valentine's Day!***

May 2023

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

August 2023

***Summer Used
Book Sale!***

***Stay tuned for
dates & details!***



November 2023

***HAPPY
THANKSGIVING!***



March 2023

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

Board Meeting

June 2023

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

Board Meeting

September 2023

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

Board Meeting

December 2023

***HAPPY
HOLIDAYS
TO ALL!***



Book Sale Results

After a 3-year shut down, we were finally able to hold our Big Summer Book Sale this year. The sale days were July 29 & 30, but the work started with Book Donation Days in June and July, to gather some new stock of books. With help from many volunteers, we hauled the boxes of books, DVDs, puzzles, and magazines from our storage unit, and started sorting everything on Tuesday, July 26th. By Thursday afternoon, everything was in place and ready for the Friends-First Early Bird Sale, which was held from 4:30 to 5:45 p.m. And our Friends members came to shop, bringing in over \$550 at the early sale—a great start to this Summer Book Sale.

Friday, the 29th was a busy sale day, inside and outside of Bayliss Library. Saturday was a slower day but we still moved a lot of books and most of the puzzles. By the close of the sale on Saturday, our Summer Book Sale

had raised over \$1,600.00—all to support Bayliss Library! Many thanks to all of our sale shoppers; it was great to see you back!

We couldn't do a book sale without lots of hard-working volunteers, those who scheduled workers, distributed posters, hauled boxes, set up and took down tables, sorted all the sale items, worked during the sale days, and packed up the leftovers. Our thanks go to: Linda Stoetzer, Lee Carlson, Nancy Chadwick, Teri Foust, Susan Hendershott, Don Ausdemore, Paul Pioszak, Mary Carney, Gary Rutenbar, Jim Page, Crissey Burt, Joe Dawson, Barbara Gruenewald, Phil Belfy, Linda Bush, Sophia Bush, Gladys Teske, Judy Jones, Jamie Randolph, Sharon Forrest, Ronnie Conboy, Mary Frances Morden, Ellen Quinlivan, Chris McLean, Louise Armstrong, Shelly Butzin, Susan Askwith, Nicole Long, Nancy Cline, Kathy Stalker, Jeanne Cooper, Pat Claxton, Cathy Akre, Connie

Pim, Mary Lee Schmidt, Deb Sinclair, Judy Baxley, Ginger Bath, Lisa Roese, Dennis Merkel, Jamie Arfstrom, Pam Williamson, Jerry Coutant, Jeanne Wellington, Nancy Gillotte, and to the Bayliss staff!

Very special thanks go to Island Books & Crafts for the donation of several boxes of used books and many empty boxes to help us with moving books; to Parker Ace Hardware for delivering and picking up the tables we rented; and to Susan Hendershott who laminated dozens of tables signs and then donated a brand-new laminating machine to our Friends group! Many thanks to these special people in our town!

Thanks again to all workers, donors, and shoppers who made our Summer Book Sale return a great success. We're already looking forward to next summer!

We also held a Mini-Holiday Book Sale during the month of December, with a small selection of Christmas books & music, games, puzzles, and newer fiction choices. Although it was a much smaller sale, we still raised over \$160. It all adds up to a big impact to benefit Bayliss Library!



**THE BAYLISS BREW COFFEE
BAR IS NOW OPEN—OFFERING
LOCAL SUPERIOR COFFEES
AND SWISS MISS HOT COCOA!
ONLY \$1.25 PER CUP**

Staff Changes at Bayliss Library

Bayliss Library has had some recent staff changes, so here's a list of the current staff: Meredith Sommers, Library Manager; John Preville, Reference Librarian; Sheila Hatch, Youth Services Librarian; Victor Beeker, Head of Circulation; Alex Pink, Adult Programming & Marketing; Library Clerks Jennifer Lucas, Maggie Johnson, and Theresa Guillard; and Pages/Shelvers Jack Callaghan and Peter Donofrio. For the Spring issue, we'll try to get some profiles and pictures to share with you, so you can put faces to names. Welcome all to Bayliss!

New Year, Time to Renew!

It's a New Year and time to renew your Friends of Bayliss membership. Our annual membership fee is only \$15.00, but the more members we have, the more money we can contribute to Bayliss Library. During 2020, 2021, and 2022, our membership totals dropped to less than 150, well below our usual numbers of 165-180. Let's see if we can get our memberships back up to more "normal" numbers in 2023! Every member makes a difference!

If you've already renewed your membership, THANK YOU! If you haven't, you can fill out the membership form at the bottom of this page, or pick one up at the Bayliss Circulation Desk. Mail it in or drop it off at Bayliss, with cash or check, and be sure to let us know how you would like to receive your quarterly Friends newsletter and if you'd like to help us with events. Many Friends make a big difference to Bayliss Library! Thank you for your continued support of our Friends group!

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
☐ Library programs

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

☐ Annual Membership Drive
☐ Used Book Sales
☐ Valentine Sweets Sale
☐ Silent Auction
☐ Serving/selling at Library Programs/Farmers Market
☐ **Serving on the Friends' Board**



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Bayliss Public Library
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Children's Librarian

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

Telephone: (906) 632-9331



One library card works at all of the Superior District Libraries: Bayliss Public Library, Brevort Township Community Library, Curtis 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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