

BALDWIN PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF DIRECTORS



LIBRARY BOARD MEETING

DECEMBER 16, 2024

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Melissa Mark
VICE PRESIDENT

Jennifer Wheeler
SECRETARY

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MISSION

The Baldwin Public Library in Birmingham, Michigan enriches lives by providing opportunities and resources for everyone to learn, connect, and discover.

VISION

The Baldwin Public Library will be an essential part of the community and the first choice for access to cultural, recreational, and learning opportunities.

CORE VALUES

WE ARE COMMITTED TO:

- Intellectual Freedom
- Equitable and Inclusive Access
- Education and Lifelong Learning
- Innovation
- Welcoming Environment
- Integrity
- Collaboration
- Commitment to Excellence

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AGENDA

Baldwin Public Library Board Meeting

Monday, December 16, 2024 at 7:30 p.m.

Rotary/Donor Rooms

Agenda

The full Board packet is available online at www.baldwinlib.org on the Friday preceding the meeting.

This is an open meeting. All members of the public are invited to attend.

Call to order, pledge of allegiance, reading of the Library's mission statement, and establishment of a quorum.

I. General Public Comment Period

The Library Board values public meetings and welcomes your comments on Library issues, but will not debate items not on the agenda. The Board respectfully asks that comments be made as concisely as possible, when a motion has been made, or in the general public comment portion of the meeting. The maximum time for individual speakers should not exceed three minutes.

II. Consent Agenda

All items on the consent agenda are considered routine and will be enacted by one motion and approved by a roll call vote. There will be no discussion of these items unless a Board member or a citizen so requests, in which case the item will be removed from the general order of business and considered as the last item under new business.

- A. Approval of November 18, 2024 Board Meeting Minutes p. 7
- B. Approval of November 2024 vendor payments in the amount of \$120,284.35, including payments in excess of \$75,000. p. 10
- C. Approval of total expenses in the amount of \$376,187.92 p. 15

III. Review of FY2023-24 Audit by Plante Moran, with Philip Femminineo and Spencer Tawa p. 42

IV. Board Reports and Special Announcements

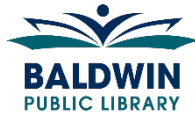
- A. President's report
- B. Board comments
- C. Staff anniversaries (Melissa Mark) p. 27
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V. Board Committee Reports	
A. Finance – Frank Pisano	p. 14
The next meeting of the Finance Committee will be held on Monday, January 13, 2025 at 4:00 p.m.	
B. Building – Melissa Mark	p. 17
The next meeting of the Building Committee will be determined at a later date.	
C. The next meeting of the Outreach Committee will take place on Tuesday, January 21, 2025 at 11:00 a.m.	
VI. Library Report – Rebekah Craft and Jaclyn Miller	p. 19
VII. Liaisons	
A. Report from Friends of the Baldwin Public Library (Ryndee Carney)	p. 28
B. Beverly Hills (Andrew Drummond, Beverly Hills Village Council)	
C. Bloomfield Hills (Susan McCarthy, Bloomfield Hills City Commission)	
D. Bingham Farms (Kathy Mechigian, Bingham Farms Village Council)	
VIII. New & Miscellaneous Business	
IX. Unfinished Business	
X. Items removed from the Consent Agenda	
XI. Information Only	
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F. Winter Reading Challenge 2024-2025 Bingo Card	p. 41
G. Plante Moran FY2023-2024 Audit Presentation	p. 42
XII. Adjournment	
The next regular meeting of the Library Board will take place on Wednesday, January 22, 2025 at 7:30 p.m.	

Motion: To adjourn the December 16, 2024 Board Meeting.

Persons with disabilities that may require assistance for effective participation in this public meeting should contact the Library at the number (248) 647-1700 or (248) 644-5115 (for the hearing impaired) at least one day before the meeting to request help in mobility, visual, hearing, or other assistance.

Las personas con incapacidad que requieren algún tipo de ayuda para la participación en esta sesión pública deben ponerse en contacto con la oficina del escribano de la biblioteca en el número (248) 647-1700 o al (248) 644-5115 (para las personas con incapacidad auditiva) por lo menos un día antes de la reunión para solicitar ayuda a la movilidad, visual, auditiva, o de otras asistencias. (Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964).



**BALDWIN PUBLIC LIBRARY MINUTES,
REGULAR MEETING
November 18, 2024**

Call to Order and Roll Call:

The meeting was called to order by President Karen Rock at 7:30 p.m.

Library Board present: Wendy Friedman, Melissa Mark, Frank Pisano, Karen Rock, Danielle Rumble, and Student Representative Kate Walter.

Absent and excused: Jennifer Wheeler.

Library Staff present: Rebekah Craft, Director; Jaclyn Miller, Associate Director; Robert Stratton, Office Administrator.

Friends of the Library liaison present: Ryndee Carney.

Contract community representatives present: None.

Members of the public present: Two.

All present recited the Pledge of Allegiance following establishment of quorum.

Mark read aloud the Library's Mission Statement.

1. General Public Comment Period:
A member of the public distributed article titled "The Staggering Toll of Building Collisions" and highlighted bird collision data. They emphasized the role of artificial light in disturbing migrations.
2. Consent Agenda:
Motion to approve the consent agenda.
 - A. Approval of October 21, 2024 Board Meeting Minutes**
 - B. Approval of October 2024 vendor payments in the amount of \$495,116.59, including payments in excess of \$75,000.**
 - C. Approval of total expenses in the amount of \$559,851.75**

1st Pisano
2nd Mark
A roll call vote was taken.
Yeas: Friedman, Mark, Pisano, Rock, Rumble.
Nays: None.
Absent and excused: Wheeler.
The motion was approved unanimously.
3. Election of Officers for 2024-2025:
Rock called for nominations for the election of officers for 2024-2025.

Motion to elect Danielle Rumble as President:
A voice vote was taken after Rock nominated Rumble for President.
Yeas: Friedman, Mark, Pisano, Rock, Rumble.
Nays: None.
Absent and excused: Wheeler.
The motion was approved unanimously.

Motion to elect Melissa Mark as Vice President:

A voice vote was taken after Rumble nominated Mark for Vice President.

Yeas: Friedman, Mark, Pisano, Rock, Rumble.

Nays: None.

Absent and excused: Wheeler.

The motion was approved unanimously.

Motion to elect Jennifer Wheeler as Secretary:

A voice vote was taken after Mark nominated Wheeler for Secretary.

Yeas: Friedman, Mark, Pisano, Rock, Rumble.

Nays: None.

Absent and excused: Wheeler.

The motion was approved unanimously.

4. Board Reports and Special Announcements:

President’s report: Rumble thanked Youth Librarians Stephanie Klimmek and Alyssa Gudenburr for organizing the November 9 local author event, and thanked Craft & Miller for hosting the Beyond Basics winter coat and Toys for Tots collection drives.

Board comments: Mark reported that the Bibliophile Bonanza local author event was very enjoyable.

Staff Anniversaries: Rumble recognized the following staff anniversaries: Jen Adams (1 years of service), Lindsay Block (2 years), Josh Campeau (1 year), Lauren Clifford (5 years), Austin DeWalt (1 year), Susan Dion (19 years), Bart Gioia (17 years), Courtney Holland (3 years), Kanady Horn (2 years), Morgan Kosciuk (5 years), Becky Nelson (1 year), Cheyenne Nierhaus (5 years), Robert Stratton (5 years), and Michele Turner (2 years).

Upcoming events of interest: Miller reported upcoming events at the Library, full details of which are on pages 34-35 of the November Board packet.

5. Board Committee Reports

Finance Committee:

Rumble reported that the Finance Committee met on November 11. Present were Pisano, Rumble, Craft, and Miller. Full minutes from this meeting are on page 14 of the November Board packet. The next meeting of the Finance Committee will take place on Monday, December 9, 2024 at 4:00 p.m. in the Delos Board Room.

Building Committee:

Pisano reported that the Building Committee met on November 4. Present were Mark, Pisano, Craft, and Miller. Full minutes from this meeting are on pages 17 of the November Board packet. The next meeting of the Building Committee will take place on Monday, December 9, 2024 at 3:00 p.m. in the Jeanne Lloyd Room.

The new Teen Scene area should be finished by March 2025.

Outreach Committee:

Friedman reported that the Outreach Committee met on November 6. Present were Friedman, Mark, Craft, and Miller. Full minutes from this meeting are on pages 18 of the November Board packet. The next meeting of the Building Committee will take place on Tuesday, January 21, 2025 at 11:00 a.m. in the Director’s Alcove.

Mark added that StoryPoint Senior Living in Birmingham invited her to meet their new events coordinator, who would like to coordinate with the Library. She also met a local author who donated seven of their books to the Library.

6. Library Report:

Craft and Miller presented highlights from the Library Report. Full details of the complete report are on pages 19-30 of the November Board packet.

Craft is currently reviewing the four bids received for website redesign.

7. Liaisons

Friends: Carney reported the Friends earned over \$2,200 during the October 4th Saturday sale. For two consecutive months, the Friends' Bookshop earned over \$1,600. The last Friends sale of the year is scheduled for Saturday, November 23.

Beverly Hills: There was no report.

Bloomfield Hills: There was no report.

Bingham Farms: There was no report.

8. New & Miscellaneous Business: None.

9. Unfinished Business: None.

10. Items Removed from Consent Agenda: None.

11. Information Only: See pages 33-63 of the November Board packet.

12. Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn the meeting.

1st Mark

2nd Rock

A voice call vote was taken.

Yeas: Friedman, Mark, Pisano, Rock, Rumble.

Nays: None.

Absent and excused: Wheeler.

The motion was approved unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:16 p.m. The next regular meeting is scheduled for Monday, December 16, 2024, at 7:30 p.m. in the Rotary & Donor Room.

Jennifer Wheeler, Secretary

Date

Register of Claims
Baldwin Public Library
300 W. Merrill Street
Birmingham, MI 48009

Check Number	Vendor #	Vendor	Amount
	006638	ACTION MAT & TOWEL RENTAL, INC	35.36
	MISC	ALLISON KLEIN	55.99
	009126	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES INC	314.16
	000843	BAKER & TAYLOR BOOKS	17.99
	009535	BIRMINGHAM PAPERS	624.00
	000902	CENGAGE LEARNING INC	180.73
	000605	CINTAS CORPORATION	259.90
	MISC	DANA SERLING	8.44
	008164	GARY EISELE	73.03
	004604	GORDON FOOD	24.99
	001090	INGRAM LIBRARY SERVICES	11,070.11
	MISC	INNOVATIVE USERS GROUP	125.00
	008827	KANOPY, INC	453.05
	005550	LEE & ASSOCIATES CO., INC.	758.84
	000795	LIBRARY DESIGN ASSOCIATES, INC.	1,750.00
	008482	MARKIT, INC.	1,188.00
	007927	MICHELLE HOLLO	455.00
	002013	MIDWEST TAPE	10,831.01
	008471	MULTICULTURAL BOOKS & VIDEOS	1,490.00
	006785	OVERDRIVE, INC.	13,628.65
	009612	PLAYAWAY PRODUCTS LLC	908.85
	007098	SHAW SYSTEMS & INTEGRATION	1,016.96
	009840	THOMAS S. KLISE COMPANY, INC	1,167.15
	000158	VERIZON WIRELESS	103.83
	009976	WEBLINK, INC.	4,995.00
12010	009920	CORPORATE DINING CONCEPTS	279.00
12086	008336	NBS COMMERCIAL INTERIORS	792.00
12098	000757	SCHOLASTIC INC	1,020.00
12103	009971	WT COX INFORMATION SERVICES	20,237.55
12125	009840	THOMAS S. KLISE COMPANY, INC	176.47
12127	009024	D.M. BURR GROUP	4,891.29
12152	009596	WP COMPANY LLC	2,205.00
12165	005861	UNIQUE MGMT SERVICE, INC	61.80
12182	003527	LOWER HURON SUPPLY CO INC	1,251.00
300900	006638	ACTION MAT & TOWEL RENTAL, INC	70.72
300905	009202	AQUARIUM DESIGN INC	240.00
300952	000249	GA BUSINESS PURCHASER LLC	324.64
300962	008945	H JENNINGS	339.02
300964	MISC	KIMBERLY LALA	19.99
300992	007408	T-MOBILE	660.63
300998	009863	US BANK EQUIPMENT FINANCE	69.93
301046	004604	GORDON FOOD	119.57
301059	004904	KONICA MINOLTA BUSINESS SOLUTIONS	3,177.70
301064	MISC	MICHELLE OLSEN	16.99
301084	007098	SHAW SYSTEMS & INTEGRATION	176.00
301111	006759	AT&T	235.19
301114	000843	BAKER & TAYLOR BOOKS	31.23
301131	000902	CENGAGE LEARNING INC	30.39

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300 W. Merrill Street
Birmingham, MI 48009

Check Number	Vendor #	Vendor	Amount
301148	000179	DTE ENERGY	6,511.86
301152	004493	ELITE IMAGING SYSTEMS, INC	799.28
301202	006349	MIDWEST COLLABORATIVE	14,974.05
301249	009026	WELLS FARGO VENDOR FIN SERV	768.47
301255	003904	CAPITAL ONE BANK	7,084.92
301262	000627	CONSUMERS ENERGY	1,038.00
301266	000575	DEMCO, INC	384.76
301292	006666	GRID 4 COMMUNICATIONS INC.	227.62
301304	007823	PITNEY BOWES GLOBAL FINANCIAL	479.25
301305	009612	PLAYAWAY PRODUCTS LLC	53.99
Total:			120,284.35

I hereby certify that each of the above invoices are true and correct.

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Executive Library Director

Allowance of Vouchers

The Library Board of Directors of the Baldwin Public Library has examined the claims listed on the foregoing Register of claims and except for claims not allowed as shown on the Register such claims are hereby approved and dated in accordance with MCL 397.210a and the Birmingham City Charter.

Secretary of the Baldwin Public Library Board

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance Committee

Building Committee

December 2024 Finance Committee Report

The Baldwin Public Library Board's Finance Committee met on Monday, December 9, 2024 at 4:00 p.m. in the Delos Board Room. Present were Frank Pisano, Danielle Rumble, Rebekah Craft and Jaclyn Miller.

- Public comment: none
- Plante Moran will present the FY23-24 Audit report at the December Board meeting
- Craft: FY 2023-24 budget report after five months – tracking as expected.
 - In 2025, the Finance Department will be issuing an RFP for audit services, which will increase our cost due to current market rates.
 - Patron revenue is higher than anticipated thanks to better than projected meeting room rentals
- Long-range planning meeting – meeting will be held on Saturday, January 25, 2025
 - FY26-27 – requesting an extra \$300,000 for capital improvements, including solar panels, bird strike glass deterrents, lower level carpeting, and lower level restroom partitions
 - FY27-28 – requesting an additional \$350,000 for a full building generator
- Miller reported that the November Friends of the Library expenditures included some supplies for new program series.
- Pisano did not attend any meetings.

The next meeting date will be Monday, January 13, 2025 at 3:00 pm. .in the Delos Board Room.

FINANCIAL REPORT: November 2024

This report references the Revenue and Expense Report 2024-25, found on the following page. At 41.7% of the way through fiscal year 2024-2025, the Library has spent 41.0% of its budget and received 88.0% of its revenue. By this point of the year, the Library was budgeted to have spent 41.7% of its budget and to have received 41.7% of its revenue.

Two pay periods were recorded in the month.

Vendor payments in excess of \$75,000:

	\$ -
Total vendor payments in excess of \$75,000	<u>\$ -</u>
Balance of vendor payments less than \$75,000	\$ 120,284.35
Total vendor payments	<u>\$ 120,284.35</u>

City of Birmingham allocations:

Payroll Period Ending 11/09/24	\$ 125,717.42
Payroll Period Ending 11/23/24	\$ 104,590.29
Fixed Past Retirement Health Care Cost (acct 711.0004)	\$ 1,979.17
Retirement Cost (acct 711.0010)	<u>\$ 8,040.17</u>
Total Payroll	\$ 240,327.05

BS&A Software Charge (acct 811.0000)	\$ 351.67
Administrative Services (acct. 813.0000)	\$ 8,740.83
MML Insurance Premium (acct. 960.0400)	\$ 535.00
Total City of Birmingham allocations	<u>\$ 249,954.55</u>

Reconciling adjustments:

Refunds and Voids (Fines, Bags, Room Rentals, Magazines etc.)	\$ (101.41)
Audit Fees	\$ 1,250.00
Credit Card Fees	\$ 364.43
City of Birmingham Parking	<u>\$ 4,436.00</u>
Total Recon Adjustments	\$ 5,949.02

Total expenses for the month	<u><u>\$ 376,187.92</u></u>
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BALDWIN PUBLIC LIBRARY
REVENUE AND EXPENSE REPORT 2024-25
November 2024

	2024-2025 Budget	Current Month Budget November 2024	Current Month Actual November 2024	Variance For Month	Y-T-D Budget 2024-2025	Y-T-D Actual 2024-2025	Variance For Y-T-D	% Received/ Spent	Prior year Y-T-D 2023-2024	5th Month of the year 41.67%
REVENUES										
TAXES	\$4,497,490	\$374,791	\$0	(\$374,791)	\$1,873,954	\$4,492,575	\$2,618,621	99.9%	\$4,174,572	100.0%
PROVISION FOR TAX LOSS	(\$15,000)	(\$1,250)	\$0	\$1,250	(\$6,250)	(\$751)	\$5,499	5.0%	(\$1,294)	64.7%
COUNTY AND STATE REVENUE	\$95,000	\$7,917	\$0	(\$7,917)	\$39,583	\$7,011	(\$32,572)	7.4%	\$8,558	8.6%
GRANTS	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0%	\$0	0.0%
COMMUNITY CONTRACTS	\$1,084,860	\$90,405	\$187,801	\$97,396	\$452,025	\$461,352	\$9,327	42.5%	\$294,333	27.9%
PATRON USE REVENUE	\$32,500	\$2,708	\$4,013	\$1,304	\$13,542	\$17,443	\$3,902	53.7%	\$16,956	47.5%
INVESTMENT INCOME	\$5,000	\$417	\$10,141	\$9,725	\$2,083	\$38,548	\$36,464	771.0%	\$48,547	60.7%
OTHER REVENUE	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$66	\$66	0.0%	\$122	0.1%
TOTAL REVENUE	\$5,699,850	\$474,988	\$201,954,70	(\$273,033)	\$2,374,938	\$ 5,016,244,71	\$2,641,307	88.0%	\$4,541,794,57	79.7%
EXPENSES										
PERSONNEL SERVICES	\$3,164,800	\$263,733	\$240,327	(\$23,406)	\$1,318,667	\$1,247,631	(\$71,036)	39.4%	\$1,157,865	39.1%
SUPPLIES	\$164,000	\$13,667	\$6,575	(\$7,091)	\$68,333	\$47,556	(\$20,778)	29.0%	\$55,121	36.7%
CONTRACTED SERVICES	\$346,760	\$28,897	\$32,177	\$3,281	\$144,483	\$142,478	(\$2,005)	41.1%	\$130,871	41.7%
TECHNOLOGY & MAINTENANCE	\$158,000	\$13,167	\$1,928	(\$11,238)	\$65,833	\$109,766	\$43,933	69.5%	\$107,419	61.6%
UTILITIES	\$134,980	\$11,248	\$7,550	(\$3,698)	\$56,242	\$59,908	\$3,666	44.4%	\$50,634	43.1%
OTHER CHARGES	\$110,100	\$9,175	\$5,508	(\$3,667)	\$45,875	\$31,135	(\$14,740)	28.3%	\$46,489	40.2%
BUILDING IMPROVEMENTS & FURNISHING	\$179,000	\$14,917	\$1,750	(\$13,167)	\$74,583	\$90,733	\$16,150	50.7%	\$1,594,465	44.7%
COLLECTIONS	\$727,000	\$60,583	\$80,372	\$19,789	\$302,917	\$313,925	\$11,008	43.2%	\$312,087	47.3%
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$4,984,640	\$415,387	\$376,187,98	(\$39,199)	\$2,076,933	\$2,043,131,44	(\$33,802)	41.0%	\$3,454,950,95	76.2%
VARIANCE	\$715,210	\$59,601	(\$174,233)	(\$233,834)	\$298,004	\$2,973,113,27	\$2,675,109			
FUND BALANCE-BEGINNING OF YEAR										
						\$399,274.76				
FUND BALANCE-CURRENT										
						\$3,372,388.03				

The fund balance should be not less than 25% of annual operating expenditures and not more than 35% of annual expenditures, except when the Library is building a fund balance in support of specific non-recurring projects.

December 2024 Building Committee Report

The Baldwin Public Library Board's Building Committee met on Monday, December 9 at 3:00 p.m. in the Delos Board Room. Present were Missy Mark, Frank Pisano, Rebekah Craft and Jaclyn Miller.

- Public Comment: none
- Phase 3 update
 - Kristen and Jaclyn are working on a warranty claim for the indoor materials return slot, which had a separation of metal pieces
 - New HVAC system was reset before Thanksgiving and is working properly now.
 - PCI Dailey is finishing up several punch list items in the next few weeks:
 - Fix caulk at exterior diffuser to left of front door to have a smooth finish
 - Plaster finishing at end of ramp wall by existing building facade - clean up adjacent surfaces
 - Provide banding at new limestone at plaza on lowest band
 - Two cleanouts at entry landscaping grass bed to be cut down
 - Align doors to hang evenly when opened at electrical panel wall and touch up paint
 - Align lighting at underside of plaza bench
 - Clean gasket at top of sorting room glazing
 - Touch ups to hold shelving veneer and surround where not aligned and chipped
 - Seat vent at book sorting ceiling
- Water damage in Youth Room
 - We are waiting on installation of light fixtures and installation of a new bulletin board. Both items have been ordered but delivery has been delayed.
- Feather Friendly installation – the cost of installing the Feather Friendly product on two full windows is \$2,800. Installation was scheduled to be completed on December 16 or 17, using a scissor lift, but has been delayed until spring 2025 when temperatures will be above 50 degrees.
- Teen Scene
 - Shifting is in progress
 - We are working with Library Design Associates to remove and relocate shelving to create more delineation and open space in the Teen Scene; to be done in late December. Current cost is \$1,000, but that will increase slightly after moving two ranges of shelves are added to the project scope
 - Have asked to reuse end panels from four removed shelves to create counters along curved wall

- Temperature management in the Idea Lab. We included money in this year's budget to improve ventilation and temperature control in the Idea Lab. Rebekah will work with Bruce Johnson and John Galik to determine the best way to start and complete this project
- Items not on the agenda
 - Grand Hall wall signage will be added to identify collections and will be produced in the Idea Lab.
- The next meeting is tentatively scheduled for Monday, January 13, 2025 at 3:00 p.m. in the Delos Board Room.

LIBRARY REPORT

Statistical Dashboard

Programs & Services

Facility

Diversity & Equity

Community Outreach & Partnerships

Personnel & Organization

Financial

Expenditures from FOBPL Donations

Statistical Dashboard

November 2024

	Current Month	This month last year	Current FYTD	Previous FYTD	FY 24-25 Q2 Target
Financials					
Revenues	\$ 201,955	\$ 4,240,286	\$ 5,016,245	\$ 4,530,382	
Expenses	\$ 376,188	\$ 960,942	\$ 2,043,131	\$ 3,452,044	
Circulation					
Circ (Charges & Renewals)	47,114	48,458	250,205	254,560	235,000
Self-Check Usage	55.8%	53.6%	57.2%	52.5%	
% of Circ by Residents*	90.9%	90.9%	91.0%	91.2%	92.0%
% of Circ by Non-Residents	9.1%	9.1%	9.0%	8.8%	8.0%
Interlibrary Loans					
Items borrowed	669	627	3,885	3,429	
Items loaned	610	679	3,582	3,910	
Technology Usage					
Database Sessions	5,349	5,077	27,875	35,196	17,500
Downloadable Content	15,323	14,649	75,828	70,250	75,000
Public Computer Usage	483	571	2,978	2,989	
Wireless Sessions	2,656	3,982	12,432	26,881	27,000
Program Attendance					
Program Attendance for Adults	326	166	1,577	1,000	
# of Programs for Adults	17	13	79	65	
Program Attendance for Teens	49	93	570	508	
# of Programs for Teens	4	6	31	28	
Program Attendance for Youth	1,832	1,477	8,843	9,982	
# of Programs for Youth	69	60	285	222	
Computer Classes Attendance	33	48	300	198	
# of Computer Programs	7	8	34	29	
Online Video Views	37	53	208	166	
Idea Lab Visits	847	275	1,744	775	
Total Program Attendance	3,124	2,112	13,242	12,629	13,000
Total # of Programs	97	87	429	344	500
Outreach Attendance	338	144	1,890	4,047	
# of Outreach Programs	13	6	44	17	
Visitors	20,199	18,646	107,199	89,962	80,000
Volunteer Hours	89	91	555	511	600
Social Media					
Website Hits/Pageviews	26,676	18,358	150,636	100,142	32,500
e-Newsletter Subscribers	(32)	(24)	10,657	10944	11,000
Facebook Page Followers	8	12	3,558	3386	4,200
TikTok Followers^	4	60	1,037	870	
Instagram Followers	3	14	2,440	2276	3,000

*Residents include people who live, work, or own property in our service area of Birmingham, Beverly Hills, Bingham Farms, and the City of Bloomfield Hills

^As of December 2022

Visitors incl. Terrace Door as of 4/2023

~WIFI stats have changed with new equipment installation

Key Metrics & Strategic Plan Status Report

Action item updates and comparisons of actual statistics to projections are made on a quarterly basis—in the months of October, January, April, and July.

Programs & Services

Strategic goal: Adapt programs and services to meet the needs of the changing population

Masters of the Air

The November 13 program on WW2 Pilots was a huge success. Our presenter, Brad Ziegler is personable, knowledgeable, and passionate about, “keeping history alive!” and he charmed the audience. He arrived with huge portrait posters of our local “Fly Boys” to set the scene and continued with an excellent slide show. Amazingly, we had middle school boys, adults, and one 100 yr. old pilot who flew 28 missions in the audience! It was a very special evening.



Teens Night Out

At the December 4 Teens Night Out Program, participants made their own Tiny Animal Terrariums with Haylie, who reported that the dinosaurs were most popular.



Top Ten Lists for 2024

Thanks to Brandon Bolek-Toubeaux for sharing reports on the Top Ten circulating items in various departments this year. These will be shared on social media in December:

Adult Fiction Top 10:

- 1) *First Lie Wins* by Ashley Elston
- 2) *The Women* by Kristin Hannah
- 3) *Tom Lake* by Ann Patchett
- 4) *Hello Beautiful* by Ann Napolitano
- 5) *The Covenant of Water* by Abraham Verghese
- 6) *Table for Two* by Amor Towles
- 7) *Demon Copperhead* by Barbara Kingsolver
- 8) *Funny Story* by Emily Henry
- 9) *Fourth Wing* by Rebecca Yarros
- 10) *Iron Flame* by Rebecca Yarros

Adult Nonfiction Top 10:

- 1) *The Wager: A Tale of Shipwreck, Mutiny and Murder* by David Grann
- 2) *The Anxious Generation* by Jonathan Haidt
- 3) *The Demon of Unrest* by Erik Larson
- 4) *Outlive: The Science & Art of Longevity* by Bill Gifford
- 5) *Smitten Kitchen Keepers* by Deb Perelman
- 6) *Caste: The Origins of Our Discontents* by Isabel Wilkerson
- 7) *Killers of the Flower Moon* by David Grann
- 8) *An Unfinished Love Story* by Doris Kearns Goodwin
- 9) *True Gretch* by Gretchen Whitmer
- 10) *Hillbilly Elegy* by J.D. Vance

Youth Top 10:

- 1) *Claudia and the Bad Joke* by Ann M. Martin
- 2) *Karen's Haircut* by Katy Farina
- 3) *Stacey's Mistake* by Ellen T. Crenshaw
- 4) *I Really Like Slop* by Mo Willems
- 5) *Twenty Thousand Fleas Under the Sea* by Dav Pilkey
- 6) *I Broke my Trunk* by Mo Willems
- 7) *Can I Play Too* by Mo Willems
- 8) *The Scarlet Shedder* by Dav Pilkey
- 9) *Happy Pig Day* by Mo Willems
- 10) *Are You Ready to Play Outside* by Mo Willems

Young Adult Top 10:

- 1) *Tokyo Ghoul* by Sui Ishida
- 2) *The Hunger Games* by Suzanne Collins
- 3) *The Ballad of Songbirds and Snakes* by Suzanne Collins
- 4) *A Good Girl's Guide to Murder* by Holly Jackson
- 5) *The Inheritance Games* by Jennifer Lynn Barnes

Winter Reading Challenge

The 2024-25 WRC kicked off on December 1 and runs through January 31. Participants of all ages are encouraged to play along, completing activities to score a "Bingo" on our challenge board. Prize winners will be drawn for each age group. Full details are at baldwinlib.beanstack.org.



- 6) *It's Not Summer Without You* by Jenny Han
- 7) *Catching Fire* by Suzanne Collins
- 8) *Truly Devious* by Maureen Johnson
- 9) *1984* by George Orwell
- 10) *The Summer I Turned Pretty* by Jenny Han

Top 10 AV:

- 1) *Mariokart 8 Deluxe* (Nintendo Switch)
- 2) *Moana* (DVD)
- 3) *Super Mario Party* (Nintendo Switch)
- 4) *Minecraft Dungeons* (Nintendo Switch)
- 5) *Paper Mario the Origami King* (Nintendo Switch)
- 6) *New Pokemon Snap* (Nintendo Switch)
- 7) *Minecraft Legends: Deluxe Edition* (Nintendo Switch)
- 8) *Wonka* (DVD)
- 9) *Mario Tennis Aces* (Nintendo Switch)
- 10) *Just Dance 2020* (Nintendo Switch)

Facility

Strategic goal: Create a welcoming, safe, and accessible building that meets the needs of our staff and users.

New Locations for Collections

A huge thank you to the Access Services staff who worked quickly and carefully to relocate the Large Print Collection to the Claudia Ireland Room, and the Biographies to the Legacy Room. The space in each of these areas will better allow for growth and easier browsing.

Lighting in Youth Room

The four replacement light fixtures have arrived and will be installed in the Youth Room the week of December 16.

Diversity and Equity

Strategic goal: Provide and promote equitable and inclusive resources and opportunities for all populations

IDEA (Inclusion, Diversity, Equity, Access) Task Force

The group continues to meet monthly to accomplish the goals set forth by the Library Board. The Committee is working together to implement action items from the 2022-2025 Strategic Plan Action Plan.

The most recent staff book discussion was held on December 6, at which time "*Moonshot: the Indigenous Comics Collection*," edited by Hope Nicholson, was discussed.

Project READY

The Youth Department continues to meet monthly to work through this curriculum.

Community Outreach and Partnerships

Strategic goal: Develop and strengthen BPL connections within the community.

City of Birmingham

Craft has attended weekly City of Birmingham staff meetings. Miller submits content for the monthly and quarterly newsletter and Craft submits an update to the City Manager to be discussed as part of her report during the last Commission meeting of each month.

Youth Services Librarians Alyssa Mandell and Josh Campeau did crafts with 84 kids who stopped by the Kinderhaus at the WinterMarkt on Sunday, December 8.

Beverly Hills

Miller submitted information to the Village of Beverly Hills for inclusion in its weekly email and monthly newsletter. Craft will update the Beverly Hills Village Council on library services at their December 3 council meeting.

Director Craft attended the December 3 Village Council meeting to give a library update.

Bingham Farms

Miller submits monthly Board Meeting updates to the Library Liaison.

City of Bloomfield Hills

Miller submits monthly Board Meeting updates to the Library Liaison.

Plans are in progress to create a holds pickup location at the City of Bloomfield Hills Offices. Pictures will be shared once the bookshelves are delivered and set in place in early 2025. Once this is working properly, we will explore other location options in our service communities.

Birmingham Next

Rebekah Craft continues to host the Popular Reads book club on the first Monday of each month at 1:00 p.m. The group meets in a hybrid format at Next and on Zoom. Jaclyn Miller moderates the Library's non-fiction book club, which meets virtually on the second Tuesday of every month at 10:00 a.m. Contact Rebekah.craft@baldwinlib.org to request the book and join the next discussion.

Birmingham Youth Assistance

Vicki Sower, Adult Services Librarian, represented Baldwin at the BYA Breakfast with Santa on December 8.

Birmingham Schools

Battle of the Books 2025 kicked off on Monday, December 2 with the announcement of the titles to be featured in this year's contest.

- *Dragons in a Bag* by Zetta Elliott
- *Shirley and Jamila Save Their Summer* by Gillian Goerz
- *The Evers: Forever Twelve* by Stacy McAnulty
- *The Unforgettable Logan Foster* by Shawn Peters
- *Ben Yokoyama and the Cookie of Doom* by Matthew Swanson & Robbi Behr
- *A Rover's Story* by Jasmine Warga

Team registration opens on Monday, January 6, and Battle Day is on Saturday, March 15, 2025.

First Grade First Card visits continue! Ms. Rosemary visited several classrooms this month, including Reid's at Pembroke, where he was delighted to receive a special surprise trinket, created in the Idea Lab. He headed straight for the Library, where he picked out his own library card, choosing the Rocket design.

PTA Reflections

Youth Staff spent time in November reviewing entries from Covington students for this year's Reflections program.

Friends of the Baldwin Public Library

The Friends do not have a regular meeting in December. They will reconvene in January, at which time they will review a wish list of library requests.

Marketing

Michelle Hollo continues to work with Jaclyn Miller designing projects and marketing materials for the Library, including:

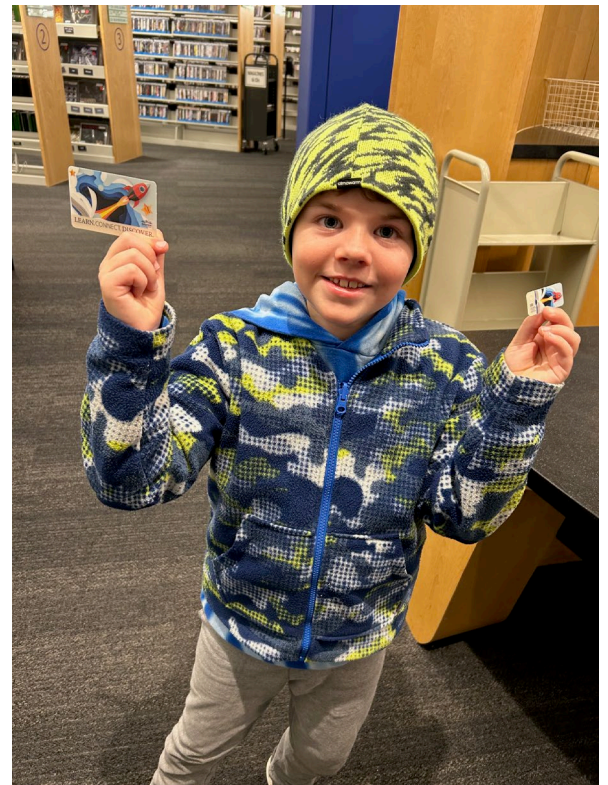
- *Learn.Connect.Discover* newsletter drafts
- Youth Program posters and fliers
- Promotional fliers for new Teen programs
- Winter Reading Bingo Cards
- Books on Foot 2025 badges

eNewsletters

Robert Stratton has compiled and distributed the Library's four monthly eNewsletters (Adult Events, Teen Events, Youth Events). These newsletters promote upcoming programs and spotlight a library service each month. Rebekah continues to send a monthly "Welcome to Baldwin" email to all new cardholders with follow-up information about the library and its services.

Student Representative to the Board

Applications are now being accepted from resident high school juniors who are interested in serving as a Student Representative to the Library Board. We anticipate the placement of a new student at the February 2025 Regular Board Meeting. The application link is posted at baldwinlib.org/volunteer and can be reviewed in the Information Only section of this packet. Applications are due to Jaclyn Miller by January 9.



Personnel and Organization

Strategic goal: Train, empower, and equip members of the organization to best support users and each other.

Staff Communications

An All Staff meeting was held on November 19. The next All Staff meeting will be held on December 17. Recordings of each meeting are sent to all staff.

Staff Anniversaries

Mary MacMillan, Circulation Assistant II, reached 10 years of service on December 16.

Emma Moskovitz, Page, reached 2 years of service on December 12.

Adam Redmond, IT Coordinator, reached 1 year of service on December 11.

Jennifer Rohrer-Walbert, Youth Services Substitute Librarian, will reach 2 years of service on December 26.

Staffing Updates

Adult Services part-time Librarian Suzanne Hathon recently accepted a position with another Library, and her last day at BPL was on November 19. We wish her the best in her new role.

Volunteer Hours

89 volunteer hours were utilized in the month of November.

Youth Services wishes to thank their long-time volunteer Christine M., who has decided to officially step down from volunteering. She said to "tell everyone she will miss us and she has greatly enjoyed her time here."

Financial Stability

Strategic goal: Maintain and improve financial health.

Craft continues to monitor both the Library's budget and the performance of its Trust funds in order to ensure fiscal responsibility.

Baldwin Public Library: Friends Funds	
November 2024 Expenditures	
Adult Services	
Program Refreshments	\$ 54.54
Books on Foot prizes	\$ 150.00
ELL Talk Time supplies	\$ 29.95
Scary Trivia Gift Card	\$ 25.00
Paperbacks and Snacks books	\$ 70.72
Books Unshelved supplies	\$ 85.99
Total	\$ 416.20
Teen Services	
Pizza and Pages Books	\$ 130.54
Pizza and Pages & TAB pizza	\$ 108.38
Charging Station - Teens Night Out	\$ 28.78
Haunted Library Supplies	\$ 290.60
Total	\$ 558.30
Youth Services	
Book Club snacks	\$ 68.35
General supplies	\$ 27.99
Tea with Rex and Winter Markt supplies	\$ 128.02
Books Unboxed	\$ 181.06
Bibliophile Bonanza	\$ 30.95
No Bake program supplies	\$ 4.28
Total	\$ 440.65
Idea Lab	
Total	\$ -
Outreach & Equipment	
Pens for giveaway	\$ 263.19
Total	\$ 263.19
Total Expenditures	\$ 1,678.34
November 2024 Balances	
Adult Services	\$ 6,477.29
Teen Services	\$ (62.88)
Youth Services	\$ 713.78
Idea Lab	\$ (661.95)
Outreach & Equipment	\$ 2,671.01
Total Balance	\$ 9,137.25
November In-Library Book & Button Sale Cash Donations	
Submitted by Jaclyn Miller for December 9, 2024	\$ 857.94

INFORMATION ONLY

Upcoming Events of Interest

New! Animanga Club

Wednesday, December 18 from 7:00pm - 8:00pm

Welcome to Animanga Club, the ultimate hangout for anime and manga enthusiasts! If you're passionate about Japanese animation and comic books, this is the place for you. Whether you're a seasoned fan or just starting your journey into the world of anime and manga, our club offers a fun and engaging environment for everyone. Join us for anime watch parties, fandom discussions, new manga recommendations from fellow readers– and snacks! Grades 6 to 12. Registration required for this in person event.

Winter Watercolors: Grades K to 3

Monday, December 23 from 4:30pm - 5:30pm

Learn how to create snowflake art using glue, salt, and watercolors. Wear clothes that can get messy. Registration required.

Family Board Game Club: Grades K to 6

Saturday, December 28 from 2:00pm - 3:30pm

Kids and caregivers are invited to play a variety of fun children's board games at the Library. We have games for a wide variety of ages and skills. Grades K to 6 with grown up(s). No registration required.

Winter Fun Fest: All Ages

Monday, December 30 from 11:00am - 12:00pm

Enjoy a variety of winter themed activities for the whole family. All ages with grown up(s). Registration required.

Friday Movie Matinee - Mary Shelley's Frankenstein (1994)

Friday, January 3 from 1:00pm - 3:30pm

Looking for a monstrous good time? Come join the Baldwin Public library for our Friday Movie Matinee. Every Friday we will be hosting a different film for your enjoyment. First up is Mary Shelley's Frankenstein (1994). "When the brilliant but unorthodox scientist Dr. Victor Frankenstein rejects the artificial man that he has created, the Creature escapes and later swears revenge." Registration required.

In Person: Smart TV

Saturday, January 4 from 3:00pm - 4:15pm

In this modern digital age, traditional cable television is becoming a thing of the past. This one-hour class is designed to guide you through the process of cutting the cord and transitioning to streaming services. You'll learn about the benefits, options, and practical steps to replace your cable TV with more flexible and cost-effective alternatives. Registration required.

ELL Talk Time

Tuesday, January 7 from 10:00am - 11:00am

Join us to practice English conversation skills. We'll meet every Tuesday at the library. All levels are welcome. Coffee, tea, and snacks will be provided. Attend in person only.

Birmingham Museum Lecture Series: Literal Train Wrecks: Transportation Disasters in Birmingham

Thursday, January 9 from 7:00pm - 8:00pm

Literal Train Wrecks: Transportation Disasters in Birmingham presented by Caitlyn Donnelly.

Rail was by far the most popular method of moving people and goods in and around Birmingham for a century or more. But...sometimes, things went terribly wrong...

Teen Study Night with Therapy Dogs

Saturday, January 11 from 5:30pm - 8:30pm

Is school stressing you out? Maybe petting dogs will help! After the library closes to the public, the library will remain open for students in grades 9-12. Pizza will be provided. No registration required.

New! Cozy Teen Writers Club

Monday, January 13 from 4:30pm - 5:30pm

Do you fancy yourself a writer? Do you simply like to dabble with the written word? Are you a teenager? If the answer for these questions is yes, then have we got a club for you. The Cozy Teen Writing Club is a writing club for teens who wish to join the pantheon of wordsmiths that we as a library hold in glorious esteem. So come join us on the 3rd Monday of every month as we develop our craft and to give feedback to one another. You only need to register once for the entire winter session.

A Woman Among Wolves: My Journey Through Forty Years of Wolf Recovery

Monday, January 13 from 7:00pm - 8:00pm

World-renowned wildlife biologist and wolf researcher Diane K. Boyd joins us for a fascinating discussion of her memoir *A Woman Among Wolves*. Diane, who is often referred to as the "Jane Goodall of wolves," has 40 years' of experience on the behavior, conservation, and management of wild wolf populations and has been instrumental in the recovery of wolf populations in the western US. Registration required. This event will be streamed live in the library and virtual via Zoom.



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Contact: Jaclyn Miller, Baldwin Public Library

Phone: 248-554-4682

Email: Jaclyn.Miller@baldwinlib.org

Baldwin Public Library Board Seeks Student Representative

BIRMINGHAM, MI (December 9, 2024) – The Board of the Baldwin Public Library invites interested high school juniors who reside in the City of Birmingham, Village of Beverly Hills, Village of Bingham Farms, or the City of Bloomfield Hills to apply for the position of Student Representative to the Baldwin Public Library Board. This is an excellent opportunity for students to develop leadership skills and instill an ethic of community service, as well as encourage citizen participation in local government. In addition, the Board appreciates the additional perspective on Library planning and services.

This one-year term lasts from February 24, 2025 to February 22, 2026. Representatives are expected to attend at least ten of twelve Library Board meetings held on the third Monday of every month at 7:30 pm in the Library. Exceptions to this schedule fall on Monday, February 24, 2025 and Wednesday, January 21, 2026, due to holidays. Packets for each Board meeting are available on the Library’s website the Friday prior to the meeting.

The commitment to this position requires that the BPL Student Representative review the monthly agenda, minutes, and reports prior to the meeting, which can be found at <http://www.baldwinlib.org/staff-board>. In addition to participating in Board meetings, the Student Representative will also assist with a service project or coordinate and implement a teen program during the year, alongside Library Staff.

To find application details, visit www.baldwinlib.org/volunteer. The completed application, essay, and two letters of recommendation are due by January 9, 2025 to Jaclyn Miller at the Baldwin Public Library, 300 West Merrill, Birmingham, MI 48009 or via email to Jaclyn.Miller@baldwinlib.org.

“The Baldwin Public Library student representative has an opportunity to participate and engage with the Library’s board of trustees at monthly meetings. The Board appreciates having a student representative and welcomes their fresh insights and suggestions related to various aspects of the Library. Serving on a board is a valuable opportunity for students to gain firsthand experience in public service and volunteerism. The Board values a student perspective as we work together to make Baldwin Public Library a place for everyone to learn, connect and discover” said Library Board President Danielle Rumble.

The Baldwin Public Library is located in downtown Birmingham at 300 W. Merrill Street. The Library's hours are 9:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., Monday through Thursday, 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday and 12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Sunday. The Library's website www.baldwinlib.org has information on how to register for a Library Card and access all of the Library's services.

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Application for
STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE to Baldwin Public Library Board
Please print in ink or return via email delivery **Due: Thursday, January 9, 2025**

Name: _____ Preferred Name: _____

Address: _____

City or Village: _____ Zip Code: _____

Email: _____

Home phone: _____ Cell phone: _____

School: _____ Grade: Junior Age: _____

What school activities and/or classes have you participated in which would qualify you to serve as the Student Representative?

Please list your involvement in non-school activities:

What personal skills and characteristics do you possess that would make you a good representative?

What ideas do you have to encourage more teen participation at Library events?



From Principal or School Counselor:

I believe that this student would responsibly serve as a member of the Birmingham Baldwin Public Library Board for a one-year term.

Principal's Printed Name and Signature Date

Guardian or Parent Permission:

I give my permission for my child to seek the position of Student Representative to the Birmingham Baldwin Public Library Board for a one-year term.

Guardian or Parent Printed Name and Signature Date

Applicant Confirmation:

I confirm that I am interested in volunteering to serve as the Student Representative on the Birmingham Baldwin Public Library Board, and can commit to attending 10 of the 12 meetings during my term, in addition to time spent on a library related project.

Student Printed Name and Signature Date



Include a short essay (typed) to describe the type of service project or teen program that you would like to coordinate and run during your time as Student Representative to the Library Board. If selected, your essay will be a part of your introduction to the Library Board.

Please **include two letters of recommendation**. One letter should be from a school staff member, and the other letter should be from an adult outside the school setting, who knows your activities outside of school.

Return application form, essay and letters by Thursday, January 9, 2025

Send the application materials to:

Jaclyn Miller, Associate Director

Baldwin Public Library

300 W. Merrill St.

Birmingham, MI 48009

Or by email to: jaclyn.miller@baldwinlib.org

Fire department collecting Toys for Tots gifts

November 22, 2024 - Municipal

<https://www.downtownpublications.com/single-post/fire-department-collecting-toys-for-tots-gifts>



The Birmingham Fire Department is collecting new, unwrapped toys for its annual Toys for Tots Foundation toy drive through December 20 at the city's two fire stations, Baldwin Public Library and Birmingham City Hall.

Donated toys for all ages can be placed – unwrapped – in Toys for Tots collection boxes in these Birmingham locations:

Fire Station 1, 572 S. Adams Road (between Hazel and Bowers streets)

Fire Station 2, 1600 W. Maple Road (between Fairfax and Chesterfield streets)

Baldwin Public Library, 300 W. Merrill Street

Birmingham City Hall, 151 Martin Street

For nearly 25 years, the the fire department has partnered with the U.S. Marine Corps Toys for Tots Foundation in their mission to provide a tangible sign of hope to economically disadvantaged children during the holidays.

"The generosity of the Birmingham community never ceases to amaze me this time of year. Through their abundant donations, we're able to provide an impressive shipment of new toys to Toys for Tots. We greatly appreciate everyone's efforts supporting this great charity," said Birmingham Assistant Fire Chief Matthew Bartalino.

For more information, please contact Station 1 at (248) 530-1906. For details about the Toys for Tots program, visit toysfortots.org.

Democratic bills aim to rein in library book challenges in Michigan

November 18, 2024 – by Ron French

<https://www.bridgemi.com/michigan-government/democratic-bills-aim-rein-library-book-challenges-michigan>



Numerous Michigan public libraries have faced protests from residents over sexual-themed books aimed at children or teens. In Alpena this year, opponents of books accused librarians of being 'groomers' (Bridge photo by Ron French)

- **Efforts to remove or limit access to sexual-themed books have become more common in Michigan public libraries**
- **A two-bill package that may receive a vote in December would limit such restrictions**
- **Under the proposed law, removals would be limited to books considered obscene by the Constitution**

Democrats in the Michigan Legislature may use their remaining time in control to make it virtually impossible to remove sexually themed books from libraries.

The bills, which have 23 Democratic co-sponsors, would apply to community and district libraries, but not school libraries. They are expected to receive a hearing in early December in the House Government Operations Committee, said Rep. Carol Glanville, D-Walker, a sponsor of one of the two-bill package.

Republicans take control of the House in January, giving Democrats limited time to push through their priorities. In 2025, Republicans will hold the majority in the House, while Democrats will retain control in the Senate and the governor's office.

"It looks quite popular so I'm hopeful we'll be able to get it for a vote," Glanville told Bridge Michigan Monday.

House Bills [6034](#) and [6035](#) are a response to local battles over books that some library patrons consider inappropriate for young people. Many of the challenged books have themes of LGBTQ relationships, with some including illustrations of sex acts.

The "Freedom to Read Act" would curtail the challenging of books by:

- Limiting patrons who can challenge library materials to residents of the community.
- Requiring challengers to certify to having read the entire book or watched the full movie and not just an offensive portion of the material.
- Mandating that library directors, not typically-elected library boards, would have sole discretion over library materials.
- Only allowing libraries to approve removal requests if materials have "been adjudicated to be obscene or otherwise unprotected" by the US or Michigan constitutions.

The 1973 US Supreme Court ruling, [Miller v. California](#), ruled the First Amendment protects works with "serious literary, artistic, political or scientific value." That is a high standard that has all but eliminated obscenity rulings.

In 2022, a Virginia court [dismissed petitions](#) to declare obscene one of the most challenged books in Michigan, the graphic novel, [Gender Queer: A Memoir](#)," a coming-of-age story about nonbinary person that includes illustrations of sex acts.

Currently, every Michigan community library can set their own standards. By mandating a state standard, library officials can point to the state law as the basis for their decisions on book challenges.

"What we're trying to do is support libraries and take some of the pressure off the local librarians so there's not so much personal attack going on," Glanville said.

The bills are opposed by some representatives including Steve Carra, R-Three Rivers.

"Society has compelled taxpayers to fund these locations. To me, that gives us a heightened responsibility to scrutinize what goes into those libraries and to not expose kids to pornographic material," Carra said.

Book challenges have increased in recent years as more teen books with LGBTQ themes are published, said Debbie Mikula, executive director of the Michigan Library Association.

Those books didn't exist a generation ago, Mikula said.

"There is different content out there, and I think that's because authors didn't have something to look up when they were growing up to help them feel comfortable talking about their personal experiences," she said.

Though "some people in our society may consider (the books) unconventional or unacceptable," Mikula said, the bills "protect citizens' rights to receive information without censorship."

WINTER READING CHALLENGE

BINGO

WELCOME TO WINTER READING! COMPLETE ONE ROW OF THE BINGO CARD AND YOU WILL BE AUTOMATICALLY ENTERED INTO A RAFFLE FOR A CHANCE TO WIN A \$50 BOOKS-A-MILLION GIFT CARD. THERE WILL BE ONE WINNER FROM EACH AGE GROUP (YOUTH, TEEN, AND ADULT). JANUARY 31, 2025 IS THE LAST DAY TO PLAY. THIS CHALLENGE IS FOR ALL AGES.

60
minutes

READ ONE HOUR

120
minutes

READ TWO HOURS

180
minutes

READ THREE HOURS

240
minutes

READ FOUR HOURS

300
minutes

READ FIVE HOURS

attend a
LIBRARY PROGRAM

ask a
LIBRARIAN
what their favorite book is

listen to an
AUDIOBOOK

read a book by an
AUTHOR
of color

make
A RECIPE
from a library cookbook

read a book by an
AUTHOR
you've never read before

read a book that takes place during the
WINTER

FREE SPACE

read a book someone
SUGGESTED
to you

read a book
RELEASED
IN 2024

read a book with a
ONE WORD
title

read a
GRAPHIC NOVEL

read a
NONFICTION
book

submit
ONE REVIEW

read an
EBOOK
with Libby or Hoopla

read **TWICE**
in one
DAY

read an
AWARD WINNER

watch a
MOVIE
based on a
BOOK

watch a
MOVIE
set in winter

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Baldwin Public Library Board of Directors Presentation

For Year Ended June 30, 2024

Presented by:
Spencer Tawa



Baldwin Public Library

Agenda

- Executive Summary
- Financial Graphs
- Questions

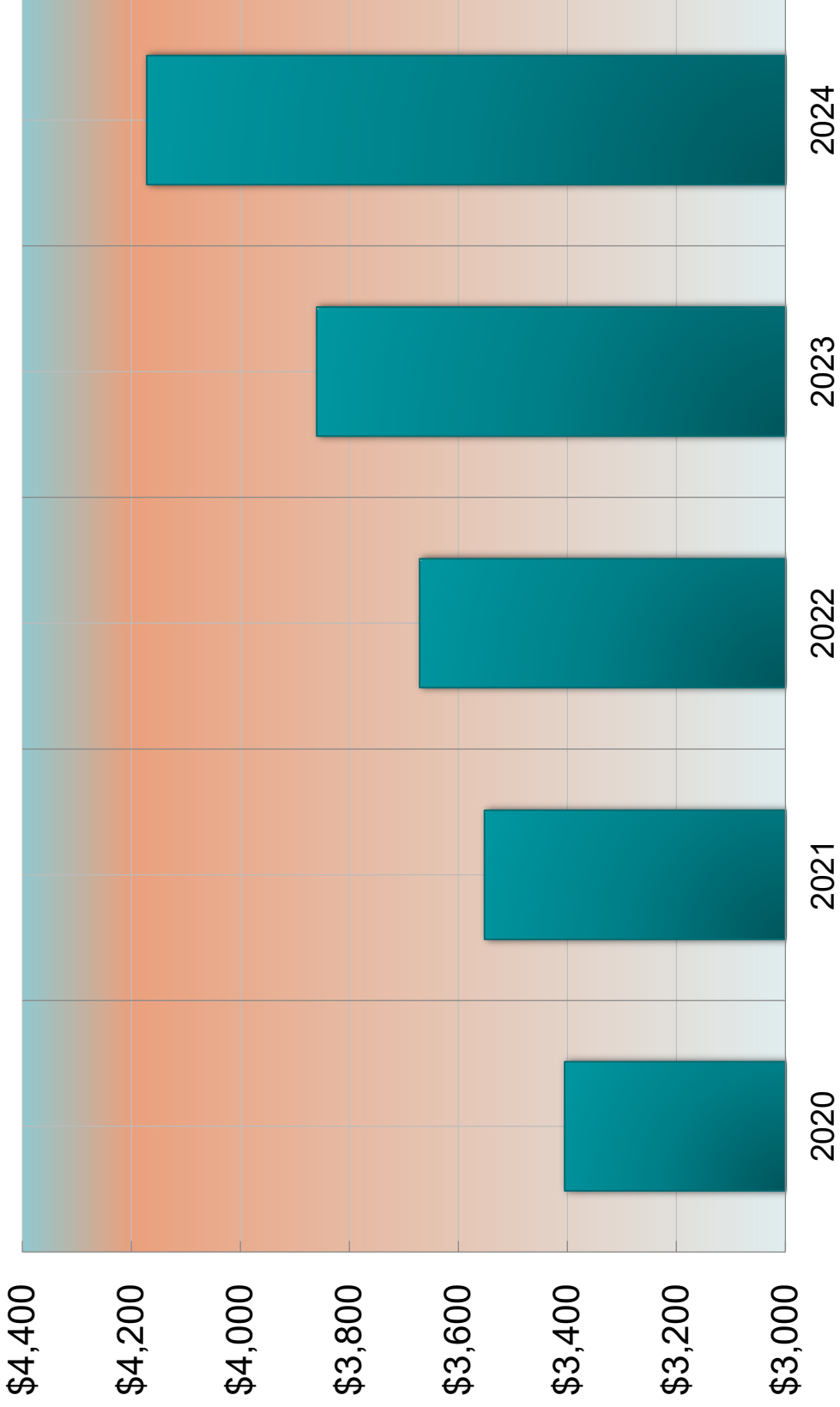


Baldwin Public Library 2024 Executive Summary

- **Financial Statement Audit** – In relation to Opinion – Information derived from the City of Birmingham Audit and Financial Statements
- **Financial Statement Highlights**
 - Fund balance decreased from \$2.5 million at June 30, 2023 to \$399 thousand at June 30, 2024
 - Decrease was budgeted due to using funds for significant capital projects
 - Approximately \$3.7 million was invested in equipment, building improvements and books
 - Pension system is 83% funded as of June 30, 2024
 - Retiree healthcare system is 95% funded as of June 30, 2024



Baldwin Public Library Property Tax Revenues Years Ended June 30 (in thousands)





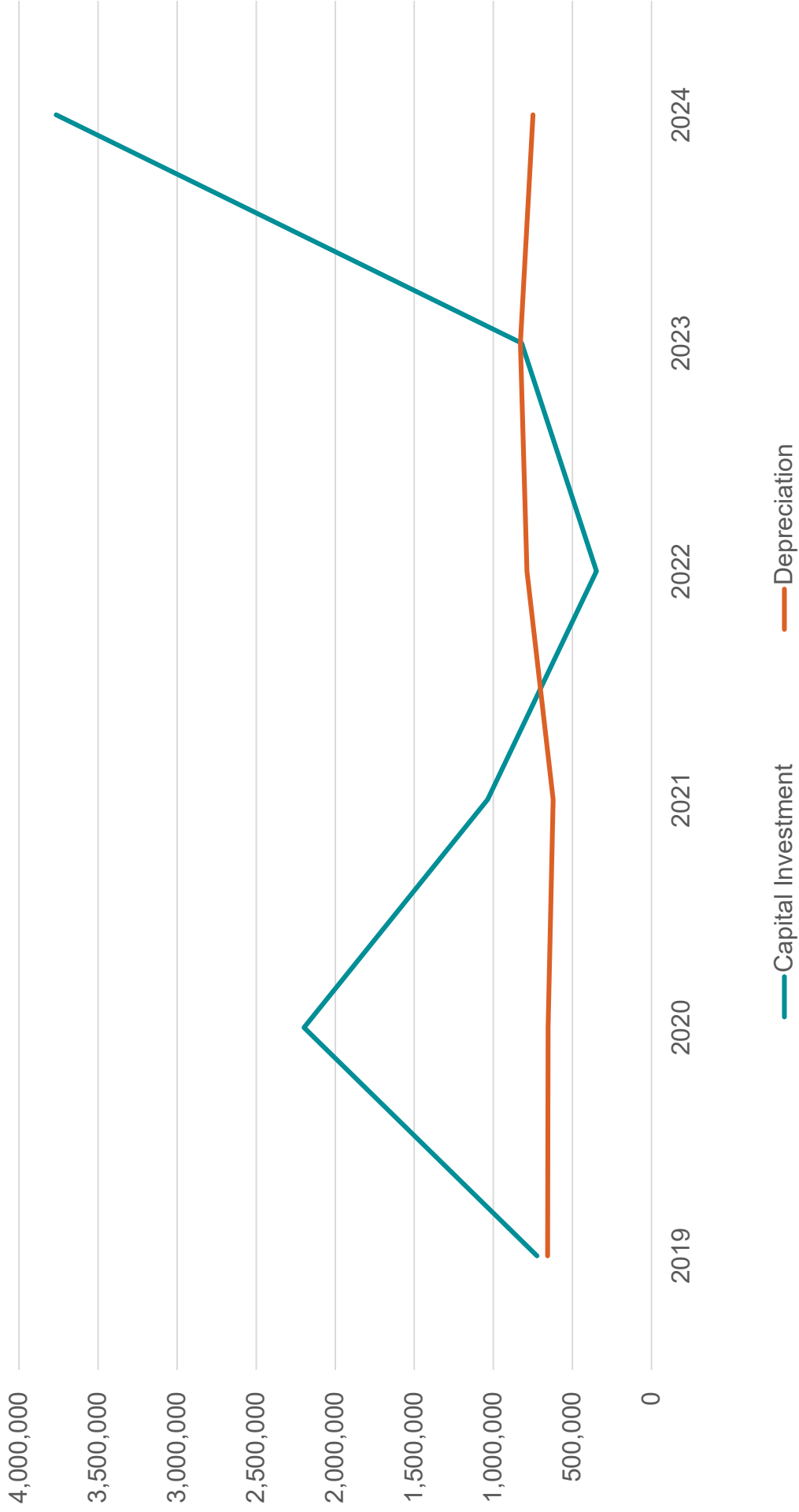
Baldwin Public Library Revenues, Expenditures, and Fund Balance Years Ended June 30

Library Operating Fund





Baldwin Public Library Capital Investments





Thank you for the opportunity to
serve as auditors for the Baldwin
Public Library

BALDWIN PUBLIC LIBRARY TRUST

Trust Agenda

Trust Minutes

Trust Financial Reports

Gifts to Trust: Receipts

Check Register: Claims

Baldwin Public Library Trust Meeting

Rotary Donor Room

Monday, December 16, 2024

Immediately following regular Board meeting

Agenda

Call to order and establishment of a quorum

I. General Public Comment Period

The Library Board values public meetings and welcomes your comments on Library issues. The Board respectfully asks that comments be made as concisely as possible. We welcome your comments but will not debate items not on the agenda. The maximum time for individual speakers should not exceed three minutes.

II. Consent Agenda

All items on the consent agenda are considered routine and will be enacted by one motion and approved by a roll call vote. There will be no discussion of these items unless a board member or a citizen so requests, in which case the item will be removed from the general order of business and considered as the last item under new business.

- A. Approval of the November 18, 2024 minutes p. 52
- B. Acceptance of the November 2024 receipts of \$11,658.81 p. 59
- C. Approval of the November 2024 disbursements of \$6,756.26 p. 60

III. New and Miscellaneous Business

- A. Approval of Liquor License application for Snow Crash Nebula Live DJ event p. 61

Suggested motion: To approve the application from Baldwin Public Library Trust for a Special License to serve alcohol on Saturday, February 8, 2025 to be located at Baldwin Public Library, 300 W. Merrill, Birmingham, MI 48009.

- B. Books & Bites Fundraiser p. 65

Suggested motion: To approve the establishment of an ad hoc Books & Bites Fundraising Committee whose main goal will be to host a library fundraiser in the fall of 2025.

IV. Adjournment

The next Trust meeting will be held immediately following the next regular meeting of the Baldwin Public Library Board of Directors on Wednesday, January 22, 2025.

Motion: To adjourn the December 16, 2024 Trust Meeting.

Persons with disabilities that may require assistance for effective participation in this public meeting should contact the Library at the number (248) 647-1700 or (248) 644-5115 (for the hearing impaired) at least one day before the meeting to request help in mobility, visual, hearing, or other assistance.

Las personas con incapacidad que requieren algún tipo de ayuda para la participación en esta sesión pública deben ponerse en contacto con la oficina del escribano de la biblioteca en el número (248) 647-1700 o al (248) 644-5115 (para las personas con incapacidad auditiva) por lo menos un día antes de la reunión para solicitar ayuda a la movilidad, visual, auditiva, o de otras asistencias. (Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964).



**BALDWIN LIBRARY BOARD MINUTES,
TRUST MEETING
November 18, 2024**

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by President Danielle Rumble at 8:17 p.m.

Library Board present: Wendy Friedman, Frank Pisano, Melissa Mark, Karen Rock, Danielle Rumble, and Student Representative Kate Walter.

Absent and excused: Jennifer Wheeler.

Library Staff present: Rebekah Craft, Director, Jaclyn Miller, Associate Director, and Robert Stratton, Office Administrator.

Friends of the Library Liaison present: None.

Contract community representatives present: None.

Members of the public present: None.

1. General Public Comment Period: None.

2. Consent Agenda

Motion to approve the consent agenda, which included the Trust minutes, as well as receipts and disbursements.

A. Approval of the October 21, 2024 minutes

B. Acceptance of the October 2024 receipts of \$2,017.26

C. Approval of the October 2024 disbursements of \$10,074.89

1st Pisano

2nd Friedman

A roll call vote was taken.

Yeas: Friedman, Mark, Pisano, Rock, Rumble.

Nays: None.

Absent and excused: Wheeler.

The motion was approved unanimously.

3. New and Miscellaneous Business:

Approval of Liquor License application for Snow Crash Nebula Live DJ event: Resident David Bloom is working with Craft to organize an electronic music event at the Library to showcase the music inspired by Michael Andrews' art installation. The proposed event will last from 7:00 – midnight on February 8, 2025. FOXGLOVE would provide and operate a cash bar of beer and wine. The memorandum on page 77 of the November Board packet details the proposed event and suggested motion to proceed with obtaining a liquor license for the evening.

The Board asked several questions and concerns about logistics such as security, timeframe, and capacity. The Board generally prefers that the event ends earlier than midnight and suggested that the event run from 7:00 to 10:00 p.m. or 8:00 to 11:00 p.m.

Motion to table this [liquor license] decision until December, after additional research on occupancy, security coverage and cost, event hours, and event charge are completed.

1st Pisano

2nd Rock

A voice vote was taken.

Yeas: Friedman, Mark, Pisano, Rock, Rumble.

Nays: None.

Absent and excused: Wheeler.

The motion was approved unanimously.

4. Adjournment:

Motion: To adjourn the meeting.

1st Mark

2nd Friedman

A voice vote was taken.

Yeas: Friedman, Mark, Pisano, Rock, Rumble.

Nays: None.

Absent and excused: Wheeler.

The motion was approved unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 8:44 p.m. The next Trust Meeting will be held on Monday, December 16, 2024, following the regular meeting in the Rotary Tribute & Donor Room.

Jennifer Wheeler, Secretary

Date

Baldwin Public Library Trust: November 2024

November receipts totaled \$11,658.81. November disbursements totaled \$6,756.26.

The current value of the Trust is \$2,160,540.76, divided up in the following way:

	June 2024 - EOY	November 2024
Total endowment investments*	\$ 1,130,701.05	\$ 1,256,704.59
Endowment funds distributed for use	\$ 218,537.84	\$ 186,557.48
<hr/> Total endowment funds	<hr/> \$ 1,349,238.89	<hr/> \$ 1,443,262.07
 General spendable funds	 \$ 514,855.26	 \$ 549,613.86
Van Dragt fund	\$ 16,663.66	\$ -
Building fund	\$ 118,787.20	\$ 125,160.73
Restricted funds**	\$ 37,762.23	\$ 19,286.45
Naming rights for Rotary Tribute Room	\$ 9,337.89	\$ 7,832.00
Naming rights for Burnett Reference Desk	\$ 9,385.65	\$ 9,385.65
Naming rights for Thal Reference Desk	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 6,000.00
<hr/> Total non-endowment funds	<hr/> \$ 712,791.89	<hr/> \$ 717,278.69
 Total endowment funds	 \$ 1,349,238.89	 \$ 1,443,262.07
Total non-endowment funds	712,791.89	\$ 717,278.69
<hr/> Total of all Trust funds	<hr/> \$ 2,062,030.78	<hr/> \$ 2,160,540.76

* The principal of the endowment funds is \$889,697.04.

**Includes memorials and donations from the Friends of the Baldwin Public Library

As of November 30, the amount of money in the Trust that is undesignated stands at \$728,811.19

Baldwin Public Library Trust
Endowment Funds Portfolio Performance Benchmarks
As of November 30, 2024

<u>Index</u>	<u>2024: YTD</u>	<u>2023: Entire Year</u>
S&P 500-Equity Benchmark	26.47%	24.23%
U.S. Aggregate-Bond Benchmark	1.52%	5.53%
Blended Return of Both Benchmarks* <i>(S&P 500: 75% and U.S. Aggregate: 25%)</i>	20.23%	19.57%
Baldwin Endowment Funds' Portfolio	15.82%	9.80%
Endowment Funds' Performance Compared to Blended Return of Benchmarks	-4.41%	-9.76%

*Since November 2017, the blended return has been calculated according to the Baldwin Endowment Funds' allocation of 75% equities and 25% fixed income, cash, and cash alternatives.

As of April 2020, this report was renamed "Endowment Funds Portfolio Performance Benchmarks," instead of "Portfolio Performance Benchmarks." The new title is more accurate, for it states clearly that the comparison between benchmarks and the Baldwin Trust's performance pertains only to the BPL Trust Endowment Funds Account at Raymond James. It does not take into account the BPL Trust General Funds Account at Raymond James or the Trust's Huntington Bank checking and money market accounts. The breakdown of the Trust's various accounts is shown on the "Balances by Financial Institutions Report," which follows this report in the Board packet. As of November 30, 2024, the breakdown was as follows:

Raymond James Endowment Funds Account	\$1,270,536.59
Raymond James Building Mutual Funds Account	\$519,014.46
Huntington Bank Checking Account	\$4,226.27
Huntington Bank Money Market Account	<u>\$366,763.44</u>
Total	\$ 2,160,540.76

Our Huntington Bank checking account and money market account have no stock or bond investments at all, and are non-volatile.

**BALDWIN PUBLIC LIBRARY TRUST
BALANCES BY FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS NOVEMBER 30, 2024**

Investment and Cash Report											
12_c	Prior Month Balance 10/31/24	Current Month Revenue	Year to Date Revenue	Current Month Expenses	Year to Date Expenses	Transfer In	Transfer Out	Change in Investment Value	Ending Balance 11/30/24		
Huntington Bank Checking:											
Endowment Money	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5,013.49	\$33,488.68	\$5,013.49			\$0.00		
Van Dragt Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$16,663.66	\$0.00			\$0.00		
Restricted Funds - Memorials and Friends	\$4,226.08	\$0.19	\$1.21	\$1,678.34	\$18,886.01	\$1,678.34			\$4,226.27		
Restricted Funds - Building	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,499.07	\$0.00			\$0.00		
Restricted Funds - Covid and MAF Idea Lab	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	(\$34.02)	\$0.00			\$0.00		
Subtotal - Restricted Funds	\$4,226.08								\$4,226.27		
General Spendable Funds	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$54.43	\$186.31	\$54.43			\$0.00		
TOTAL	\$4,226.08	\$0.19	\$1.21	\$6,746.26	\$70,689.71	\$6,746.26	\$0.00		\$4,226.27		
Huntington Bank Money Market:											
Endowment Budgeted Funds	\$191,568.54	\$2.43	\$2.43	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	(\$5,013.49)		\$186,557.48		
Endowment Investment Funds	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$0.00		
Building Fund	\$999.75	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$999.75		
Van Dragt Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$0.00		
Restricted Funds	\$25,532.74	\$75.00	\$375.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	(\$1,678.34)		\$23,929.40		
Restricted Fund - Covid	\$516.43	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$516.43		
Restricted Fund - Idea Lab MAF	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$0.00		
General Spendable Funds	\$153,243.62	\$1,581.19	\$8,481.64	\$10.00	\$50.00	\$0.00	(\$54.43)		\$154,760.38		
TOTAL	\$371,861.06	\$1,658.62	\$8,859.07	\$10.00	\$50.00	\$0.00	(\$6,746.26)		\$366,763.44		
Raymond James & Associates:											
Endowment Fund Investments	\$1,194,683.51	\$0.00	\$0.00			\$0.00	\$0.00	\$58,137.24	\$1,252,820.75		
Endowment Cash	\$7,714.36	\$10,000.00	\$10,600.00			\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1.48	\$17,715.84		
Sub-total Endowment Funds	\$1,202,397.87	\$10,000.00	\$10,600.00			\$0.00	\$0.00	\$58,138.72	\$1,270,536.59		
General Spendable Funds Cash	\$452.47	\$0.00	\$0.00			\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.07	\$452.54		
General Spendable Mutual Funds	\$382,950.36	\$0.00	\$0.00			\$0.00	\$0.00	\$11,108.01	\$394,058.37		
General Spendable Building Mutual Funds	\$120,995.76	\$0.00	\$0.00			\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,507.79	\$124,503.56		
Sub-total General Spendable Funds	\$504,398.59	\$0.00	\$0.00			\$0.00	\$0.00	\$14,615.87	\$519,014.46		
TOTAL	\$1,706,796.46	\$10,000.00	\$10,600.00			\$0.00	\$0.00	\$72,754.59	\$1,789,551.05		
Total All Funds	\$2,082,883.62	\$11,658.81	\$19,460.28	\$6,756.26	\$70,739.71	\$6,746.26	(\$6,746.26)	\$72,754.59	\$2,160,540.76		

**BALDWIN PUBLIC LIBRARY TRUST
ENDOWMENT BY INDIVIDUAL FUND
NOVEMBER 30, 2024**

12d	PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF FUND	PURPOSE	VALUE AS OF JULY 1, 2024	2024/25 DONATIONS	EARNINGS INCOME OUT	CHANGE IN VALUE		CURRENT VALUE OF ENDOWMENT INVESTMENTS
						JULY 1, 2024 to JUNE 30, 2025	115,403.54	
401	\$10,000.00	Adult Reading	\$13,252.14			\$1,297.11	\$14,549.25	
402	\$41,437.86	Large Print Books/Senior Citizens Programs	\$54,913.32			\$5,374.95	\$60,288.27	
403	\$68,770.00	Baldwin Public Library	\$86,978.61			\$8,920.23	\$95,898.84	
404	\$5,000.00	Baldwin Public Library	\$6,626.07			\$648.56	\$7,274.62	
405	\$10,500.00	Baldwin Public Library	\$13,791.80			\$1,361.97	\$15,153.76	
406	\$5,000.00	Youth Services	\$6,626.07			\$648.56	\$7,274.62	
407	\$10,000.00	Staff Appreciation	\$12,450.66			\$1,297.11	\$13,747.77	
408	\$32,000.00	Library Collections	\$42,407.14			\$4,150.75	\$46,557.89	
409	\$113,718.00	Baldwin Public Library	\$150,701.28			\$14,750.48	\$165,451.76	
410	\$50,000.00	Youth Services & Adult Reading	\$66,260.76			\$6,485.55	\$72,746.31	
411	\$6,350.00	Reference Collection	\$8,363.90			\$823.67	\$9,187.56	
412	\$10,508.00	Youth Services Programs	\$13,322.77			\$1,363.00	\$14,685.78	
413	\$25,000.00	Library Collections	\$33,130.40			\$3,242.78	\$36,373.18	
414	\$250,890.00	Reference Collection	\$332,403.09			\$32,543.21	\$364,946.29	
415	\$10,000.00	Baldwin Public Library	\$13,252.16			\$1,297.11	\$14,549.27	
416	\$11,700.00	Youth Services	\$14,462.93			\$1,517.62	\$15,980.55	
417	\$10,000.00	Audio Visual Material	\$13,252.16			\$1,297.11	\$14,549.27	
419	\$59,852.76	Professional Development	\$81,514.09			\$7,763.56	\$89,277.65	
421	\$10,000.00	Adult Reading Print Books	\$12,429.08			\$1,297.11	\$13,726.19	
422	\$49,998.98	Baldwin Public Library	\$47,571.48	\$10,000.00		\$6,485.42	\$64,056.90	
423	\$15,207.48	Adult & Youth Programs	\$18,370.39			\$1,972.58	\$20,342.97	
424	\$10,000.00	Architecture Books	\$12,474.55			\$1,297.11	\$13,771.66	
425	\$35,109.96	Professional Development	\$35,987.60	\$600.00		\$4,554.15	\$41,141.75	
426	\$10,000.00	Adult Reading Print Books	\$10,166.46			\$1,297.11	\$11,463.57	
427	\$18,554.00	Building Improvements	\$18,830.97			\$2,406.66	\$21,237.63	
428	\$10,100.00		\$11,161.15			\$1,310.08	\$12,471.24	
	\$889,697.04		\$1,130,701.05	\$10,600.00	\$0.00	\$115,403.54	\$1,256,704.59	

**BALDWIN PUBLIC LIBRARY TRUST
ENDOWMENT FUNDS BY DESIGNATION
NOVEMBER 30, 2024**

12e	Purpose	Prior Month	Current	Year to	Current	Year to	Transfer	Transfer	Change in	Ending
		Balance 10/31/24	Month Revenue	Date Revenue	Month Expense	Date Expense	In	Out	Investment Value	Balance 11/30/24
Gift & Tribute Funds										
General Spendable Funds		\$536,989.03	\$1,581.19	\$8,481.64	\$64.43	\$236.31			\$11,108.06	\$549,613.85
Restricted Funds:										
Building Fund		\$121,652.93	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,999.07			\$3,507.81	\$125,160.73
Van Dragt Fund		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$16,663.66				\$0.00
Memorials/Tributes		\$9,830.77	\$75.19	\$376.21	\$0.00	\$0.00				\$9,905.96
Covid Project		\$516.43	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00				\$516.43
Restricted Fund - Idea Lab MAF		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	(\$34.02)				\$0.00
Friends	Adult Services Programs	\$7,393.49	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$416.20	\$5,040.99				\$6,977.29
	Young Adult Programs	\$495.42	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$558.30	\$3,304.31				(\$62.88)
	Youth Services Programs	\$1,154.43	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$440.65	\$2,633.74				\$713.78
	Idea Lab Program Supplies	(\$1,435.14)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,931.24				(\$1,435.14)
	Outreach & Equipment	\$2,934.20	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$263.19	\$3,975.73				\$2,671.01
	Sub-total Restricted	\$142,542.53	\$75.19	\$376.21	\$1,678.34	\$37,514.72	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,507.81	\$144,447.18
Rotary Room Fund	Naming Rights-Principal	\$7,832.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$7,832.00
	Maintenance Funds	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,505.89	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Ileane Thal Reference Desk		\$6,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$6,000.00
Miranda Burnett Reference Desk		\$9,385.65	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$9,385.65
Total Gift and Tribute Funds		\$702,749.21	\$1,656.38	\$8,857.85	\$1,742.77	\$39,256.92	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$14,615.87	\$717,278.69
Endowment Funds										
Endowment Budgeted Funds	General Funds	\$56,992.10	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,955.75	\$13,992.43				\$55,036.35
	Adult Large Print	\$1,564.41	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$161.73	\$651.26				\$1,402.68
	Adult Services Department	\$32,139.10	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$533.22	\$2,609.47				\$31,605.88
	Adult Audio Visual	\$421.97	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$139.37				\$421.97
	Adult Reference	\$49,170.06	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00				\$49,170.06
	Adult Programs	\$19,281.88	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$300.50	\$4,587.48				\$18,981.38
	Architecture	\$1,707.48	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$351.08	\$3,095.19				\$1,356.40
	Youth Services Department	\$7,193.62	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$383.73	\$2,184.33				\$6,809.89
	Youth Programs (Nix)	\$286.61	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$635.39				\$286.61
	Professional Development	\$19,743.36	\$2.43	\$2.43	\$1,224.52	\$5,514.22				\$18,521.27
	Staff Appreciation	\$2,281.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$102.96	\$375.66				\$2,178.04
	Koschik Building Fund	\$786.95	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$197.99				\$786.95
	Sub-total	\$191,568.54	\$2.43	\$2.43	\$5,013.49	\$31,982.79	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$186,557.48
Total Endowment Investments	All Funds	\$1,188,565.87	\$10,000.00	\$10,600.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$58,138.72	\$1,256,704.59
Total Endowment Funds		\$1,380,134.41	\$10,002.43	\$10,602.43	\$5,013.49	\$31,982.79	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$58,138.72	\$1,443,262.07
Total All Trust Funds		\$2,082,883.62	\$11,658.81	\$19,460.28	\$6,756.26	\$71,239.71	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$72,754.59	\$2,160,540.76

TRUST RECEIPTS
November-24

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Trust Money Mkt General Funds:

Catherine E. Heller

\$ 300.00

Money Market Interest Income

\$ 1,281.19 \$ 1,581.19

Friends of BPL:

\$ -

Trust Money Mkt Restricted Funds:

\$ -

Memorial Book Fund:

Piety Hill Chapter 4-044 MI

\$ 75.00

Checking Account Interest

\$ 0.19 \$ 75.19

Trust Money Mkt Endowment Fund:

Linne Underdown Hage

\$ 2.43 \$ 2.43

Total Receipts at Huntington Bank

\$ 1,658.81 \$ 1,658.81

Raymond James

Ileane and Bruce Thal Philanthropic Fund for the Ileane Thal Endowment

\$10,000.00

\$10,000.00

Total Trust Receipts (Before Bank Fees)

\$11,658.81 \$11,658.81

Monthly Banking Fee on Money Market Account

\$ (10.00) \$ (10.00)

Total Trust Receipts (Net)

\$11,648.81 \$11,648.81

Check Date	Bank	Check	Vendor	Vendor Name	Amount
Bank LIBRY BALDWIN PUBLIC LIBRARY TRUST					
11/15/2024	LIBRY	6241	004867	BALDWIN PUBLIC LIBRARY TRUST	65.24
11/15/2024	LIBRY	6242	004604	GORDON FOOD	119.97
11/15/2024	LIBRY	6243	009030	SYNTHA GREEN	40.31
11/15/2024	LIBRY	6244	001090	INGRAM LIBRARY SERVICES	295.44
11/27/2024	LIBRY	6245	MISC	ALYSSA GUDENBURR	55.12
11/27/2024	LIBRY	6246	000843	BAKER & TAYLOR BOOKS	68.88
11/27/2024	LIBRY	6247	007403	SUSAN DION	19.79
11/27/2024	LIBRY	6248	009315	FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF OMAHA	3,422.88
11/27/2024	LIBRY	6249	009315	VOID	0.00 V
11/27/2024	LIBRY	6250	009315	VOID	0.00 V
11/27/2024	LIBRY	6251	009030	SYNTHA GREEN	26.25
11/27/2024	LIBRY	6252	001090	INGRAM LIBRARY SERVICES	1,132.38
11/27/2024	LIBRY	6253	MISC	MCANULTY MEDIA INC	1,500.00

LIBRY TOTALS:

Total of 13 Checks:	6,746.26
Less 2 Void Checks:	0.00
Total of 11 Disbursements:	6,746.26

MEMORANDUM

DATE: December 13, 2024
TO: Baldwin Public Library Board of Directors
FROM: Rebekah Craft, Library Director
SUBJECT: Liquor License for Snow Crash Nebula DJ event

INTRODUCTION & REQUEST

Resident David Bloom and I have been working together to host an after-hours event on Saturday, February 8, 2025 from 7:00 p.m. to 11:59 p.m. in the library's atrium. This event was advertised in the Learn.Connect.Discover winter newsletter as follows:

Snow Crash Nebula DJ Party

Join us in the atrium to experience the energy of curated DJ and live synth & drum machine performance sets from Detroit techno community creatives inspired by the Michael Andrews' Snow Crash Nebula art installation in Baldwin's Youth Room. **Beer and Wine Cash bar. Register online for this ticketed event. \$5 fee. 21 and older.**

David Bloom asked several Detroit area DJs to create music inspired by Michael Andrews' art installation at the library in the Youth Room, entitled Snow Crash Nebula. Their pieces were then compiled into a double-album. This event will feature the music inspired by the art piece played by DJs involved with the album. The album, Snow Crash Nebula, will be for sale at this event.



EVENT PRICE

The event was first advertised as having a \$5 admission fee. However, David is fine with raising the price to \$10 or \$15, depending on your preference.

EVENT CAPACITY

The capacity of the Atrium is 120 people, per the Fire Marshal. We are able to limit the number of attendees in our event registration software.

EVENT LENGTH

David is inviting 8 DJs to play and says the ideal set time is 1 hour. He is in favor of running the event until 3:00 a.m., but perhaps a compromise here could be running the event from 7:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.?

EVENT FOOD

We will pay for food for the event through ticket sales. We anticipate serving a combo of pretzels, cheese and crackers, popcorn, chips/veggies & dip, etc. purchased through Gordon Food Service. The atrium vending machine will also be available.

EVENT LAYOUT

David asked for chairs and lounge furniture to be set out for people who just want to sit and listen, so we will arrange furniture in a way that blocks access to other parts of the library. Staff will also be on hand to ensure that the crowd does not enter off limits areas of the library. Attendees will be limited to the first floor restrooms, gallery area up to the Friends' Bookshop, and main level lobby up to the Frank blue wall behind the Information desk.

The DJs will play on the main level behind the glass wall next to the elevator.

The bar area will be set up by the vending machine/coffee machine. The snacks will be set up at the top of the stairs on the main level.

The album sale table will be set up at the Information desk.

GENERAL EVENT STYLE

Attending a live techno show in the style of Snow Crash Nebula is not about being wild. People who attend like to either zone out or zone in. It's not like a nightclub style event. Most people stick to themselves and/or dance by themselves.

These are welcoming events and it's an open community with little judgment.

Detroit was the birthplace of techno in the 1980s and hosts the Movement electronic music festival each year, along with a lot of other smaller events.

David doesn't know who will attend but he hopes it will be a "cross pollination event" where people from this area come to learn more about and experience what techno is all about and people from the Detroit scene come and experience a new venue.

LIQUOR LICENSE

In order to offer alcoholic refreshment, we will need to secure a liquor license from the Michigan Liquor Control Commission. This requires the majority agreement of the members of the Baldwin Public Library Trust Board.

If this event is approved by the Library Trust, we will secure the appropriate liability insurance and required signatures for the Liquor License request. The cost for a liquor license to include white wine, beer, and seltzers is \$25. As part of the liquor license, we are required to purchase liability insurance through our Michigan Municipal League insurance company, which is \$350.

BARTENDING SERVICE

Foxglove Detroit will be providing the alcohol and TIPS certified servers for the event, as required by the liquor license. TIPS certification for servers is required by the State of Michigan. To become certified, servers attend a class to "learn strategies that ensure responsible alcohol service, promote professionalism, and enhance customer service skills."

Foxglove staff will make money through alcohol sales at the cash bar and the bartenders will make money through tips received.

Foxglove Detroit is a non-profit organization that hosts bi-weekly live DJ parties on their property in Detroit (carriage house and gardens). Their organization is based on community goodwill and the promotion of vinyl culture and live music in Detroit.

SECURITY

The Birmingham Police Department recommends having two police officers on duty at the event. The charge for this service is each officer's actual pay rate (including benefits) per hour. The Police Department have a 3-hour minimum.

- An estimated cost for 2 officers/hour is \$125.
- 3 hours = \$375
- 5 hours = \$625

The officers will each be equipped with a gun and bulletproof vest but can be dressed in plain clothes or a BPD polo shirt during the event, if desired.

Additionally, staff have experience dealing with misbehaved, angry, and belligerent patrons and have no problems asking someone to comply with rules or leave the building, if the situation escalates.

We would also post specific portions of our Code of Conduct on the ticket website to indicate the behavior expectations for guests.

NOISE ORDINANCE

The quiet hours in Birmingham begin at 10:00 p.m. If music can be heard outside the bounds of the library's property by neighbors, the police will ask to turn the music down. David is amenable to turning music down to avoid irritating neighbors and being issued a ticket. Jaclyn also suggests lowering the shades in the atrium during the event to help absorb sound.

STAFFING

We anticipate having four staff members on hand to set up the event, staff the event, and tear down the event. These staff members will work this event as a regular part of their work week and staffing this event will not incur any overtime fees.

SUGGESTED BOARD ACTION

Motion to approve the application from Baldwin Public Library Trust for a Special License to serve alcohol on Saturday, February 8, 2025 to be located at Baldwin Public Library, 300 W. Merrill, Birmingham, MI 48009.

OR

Motion to cancel the previously advertised Snow Crash Nebula Live DJ event, scheduled for Saturday, February 8, 2025.

MEMORANDUM

DATE: December 13, 2024
TO: Baldwin Public Library Board of Directors
FROM: Rebekah Craft, Library Director
SUBJECT: Establishment of an ad hoc Books & Bites Fundraising Committee

INTRODUCTION

Our last Books & Bites fundraising event was held in October 2018. In early 2020, we started planning for a fall 2020 fundraiser, but cancelled the event due to the COVID-19 pandemic. In the years since our last Books & Bites fundraiser, I've heard from countless patrons and community members that they would like us to bring back this event.

I propose that we establish an ad hoc Books & Bites Fundraising Committee whose main goal is to host another Books & Bites event in fall 2025. The Committee should consist of Board members, staff members, and community members. In the past, the Committee has consisted of 7-12 members, including the Director and Associate Director and two library board members. Previous committee members from the community may be interested in joining the committee again and we can also recruit new members through personal connections or through volunteer applications received at the library.



BACKGROUND

Books & Bites is an after-hours social event and fundraiser that has raised money to benefit the library through event sponsorships, event ticket sales, silent auction sales, and raffle sales. Each event has a strolling dinner, open bar with beer and wine, and entertainment. Some events have included a wine raffle, games of chance, a photo booth, and a wine tasting.



FISCAL IMPACT

Books & Bites was held in 2011, 2012, 2012, 2015, 2017, and 2018. Over the years, the event has raised the following funds to benefit library programs and services:

	Fundraising Goal	Revenue	Expenses	Net Earned
2011	Youth Room Early Literacy	\$ 32,871	\$ 23,090	\$ 9,781
2012	Teen Scene Improvements	\$ 25,364	\$ 2,486	\$ 22,878
2013	Outreach & Large Print	\$ 25,620	\$ 3,313	\$ 22,307
2015	Idea Lab	\$ 25,746	\$ 12,233	\$ 13,513
2017	Idea Lab	\$ 29,204	\$ 9,023	\$ 20,181
2018	Youth Room Addition	\$ 34,450	\$ 10,509	\$ 23,941
	TOTAL			\$ 112,601

The Committee makes every possible effort to seek out donations from local businesses to supply food, alcohol, and silent auction items for the fundraiser. Additional expenses for the event can include a combination of printing fees for posters, programs, and advertisements, photography, entertainment, supplemental food, décor, and linens.



SUMMARY

Due to popular demand, I would like to host this event again in 2015. Since 2018, we have updated the Library's Grand Hall, Youth Room, 2nd floor, and front entrance and it would be nice to be able to show off the library's new spaces in a special event for our patrons and donors.

This event could raise money for one of the following improvements to the library:

- new native landscaping on the southwest (Birkerts) corner of the building
- new lounge furniture in the Grand Hall
- the establishment of an endowment for Teen programs and services
- mobile food preparation cart to support programming for all ages.



ATTACHMENTS

- Event program from 2018 Books & Bites event

SUGGESTED BOARD ACTION

Determine whether or not to establish an ad hoc Books & Bites Fundraising Committee to host a library fundraiser in the fall of 2025.

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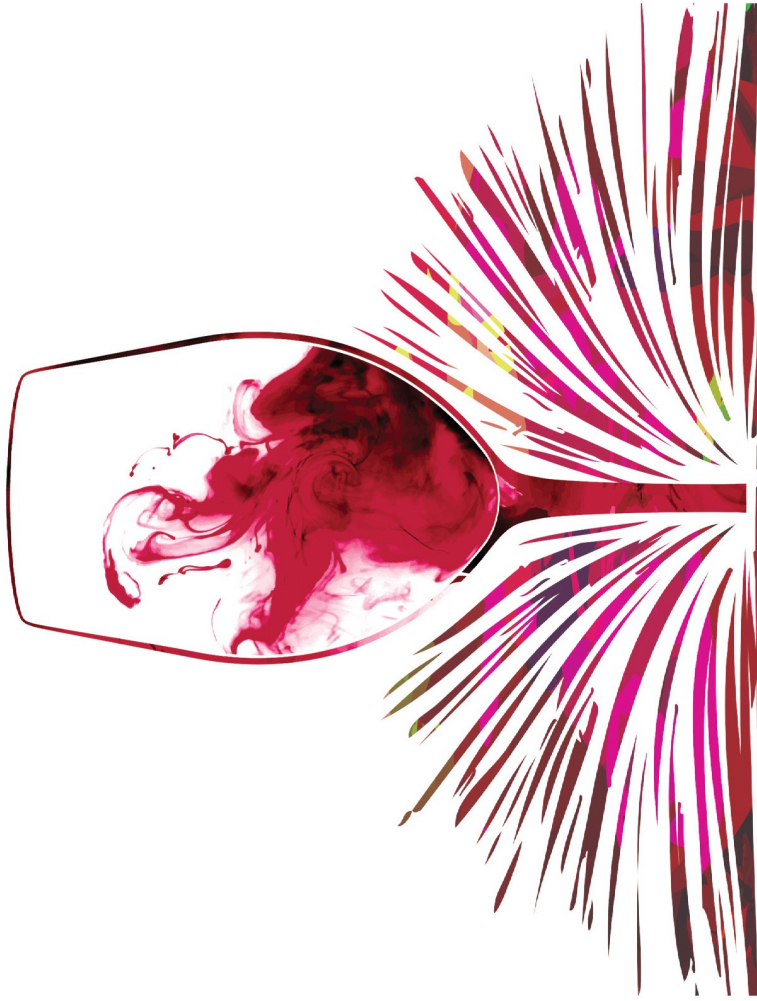
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BALDWIN BOOKS & BITES PRESENTS

A NOVEL *Wine* TASTING

Benefit for the Youth Room Renovation & Expansion



OCTOBER 19, 2018

Dear Friends,

Welcome to Books & Bites: A Novel Wine Tasting, back for its sixth year! We've put together another exciting evening, which we hope you will enjoy. Thank you for being here tonight and showing your support for the Baldwin Public Library.

Each year, our youth librarians host over 600 programs for 25,000 children and we are running out of space to serve adequately the children who visit our Library. This much-needed expansion and renovation of our Youth Room will help us to jumpstart the early education of our youngest patrons. The project is expected to begin in fall 2019. If you are interested in leaving a lasting legacy for your family, your donation of \$1,000 or more will be acknowledged on an honor roll donor plaque in the Youth Room.

We are incredibly grateful for the support that has made this event possible—from generous sponsors, attendees, fine restaurants, retailers, and businesses. Kudos to Jennifer Wheeler and the Books & Bites Committee for their tireless work to bring all of this together.

John Ghafari, owner of Uptown Market in Birmingham, has generously sponsored the wine, beer, and spirits tasting for the evening. His company is donating 10% of all beverage orders to the Library. Order forms are available at any tasting table you visit this evening.

We appreciate your support, which will help enhance Baldwin's ability to serve the children of our community. Please enjoy the tasting tables, strolling dinner, silent auction, wine pull, and live music this evening.



Doug Koschik
Library Director

USED BOOK SALE



FRIDAY
NOVEMBER 2, 2018
7:00 TO 9:00 P.M.
MEMBER PREVIEW NIGHT

SATURDAY
NOVEMBER 3, 2018
9:30 A.M. TO 4:30 P.M.

SUNDAY
NOVEMBER 4, 2018
12:00 TO 4:00 P.M.
HALF-PRICE DAY

MONDAY
NOVEMBER 5, 2018
10:00 A.M. TO 2:00 P.M.
BUY A BAG FOR \$5 &
STUFF IT WITH BOOKS!



Sincere Thanks to:

Books & Bites at Baldwin Committee

Jennifer Wheeler, Event Chairperson

Doug Koschik, Director

Rebekah Craft, Associate Director

David Underdown, Library Board Member

Melissa Mark, Library Board Member

Michelle Hollo

Karen Rock

Lindsay Van Syckle

Your donations may be deductible for income tax purposes to the extent provided by the Internal Revenue Code.



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Try Your Luck with the Wine Pull

Visit the Harry Allen Room in the Grand Hall, from 6:00 to 8:30 p.m. to try your luck with the Wine Pull, where everybody wins!

Pay \$20, then draw a number. You will receive the bag with the corresponding number. Each participant takes home a surprise bottle of wine.

Wines include 50 bottles of quality reds and whites from around the world, with a focus on reds. The average wine value is over \$20 and the highest wine is valued at \$160.

Sincere Thanks to:

The Donors of Raffle Items

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Plum Market	John’s Field
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St. Dunstan’s Theatre Guild	Westin Book Cadillac Hotel
Streetside Seafood	Jennifer Wheeler
Tender	White Birch
Tiffany Florist	



Silent Auction Packages

Silent Auction Closes at 8:30 P.M.

Package 1 - Let's Get Fit!

- Private Pilates Session Package with Cheryl Maher, The Pilates Method
- 1 Month of Unlimited Classes at Core Revolution Studio
- \$50 Gift Certificate to 7Greens

Package Value: \$1,050 · Starting Bid: \$300

Package 2 - Traverse City Wine Tour

- 7 Day Ford Rental Gift Certificate and Gift Bag from Dean Sellers Ford
- VIP Tour & Tasting for 6 People at Chateau Chantal, Traverse City
- VIP Winery Tour & Tasting for 8 at Chateau Grand Traverse, Traverse City
- VIP Tour & Taste for 6 People at Hawthorne Vineyards, Traverse City

Package Value: \$840 · Starting Bid: \$275

Package 3 - Tutoring

- 8 Hours of Tutoring, Diagnostic Assessment & Test Consultation, Enrollment Fee at The Tutoring Center Birmingham

Package Value: \$650 · Starting Bid: \$200

Package 4 - The VIP Family

- 3 Month Family Membership and Gift Bag to Birmingham Family YMCA
- Family Portrait Session, with Enchanted Photography, Birmingham
- Honorary Mayor for a Day in the City of Birmingham

Package Value: \$580 · Starting Bid: \$200

Package 5 - Pamper Yourself

- \$200 Gift Card to Tender
- Illuminating Facial with Champagne Lunch at Rivage Day Spa
- Cartier Carat Eau de Parfum, 3.3 oz. Women's Fragrance, donated by Real Living Kee Realty

Package Value: \$540 · Starting Bid: \$250

Sincere Thanks to:

The Donors of Raffle Items

7Greens	Detroit Symphony
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Beverly Hills Grill	Enchanted Photography
Birmingham Chocolate	English Gardens
Birmingham Family YMCA	Fenn Valley Vineyards
The Birmingham Village	Fleming's Prime
Players	Steakhouse & Wine Bar
Chanel Beauty & Fragrance—	Goldfish Swim School
Saks Fifth Avenue	Hawthorne Vineyards
Chateau Chantal	The Henry Ford
Chateau Grand Traverse	Michelle Hollo
Cheryl Maher –	Hyde Park Prime
The Pilates Method	Steakhouse
City of Birmingham	Jax Car Wash
Commonwealth	Lindsey Lee Johnson
Core Revolution Birmingham	Lauren Kate
Cranbrook Art Museum	Doug Koschik
Dean Sellers Ford	Malcolm MacDonald
Detroit Foundation Hotel	Mari Vineyards
Detroit Pistons	Melissa & Tom Mark
Detroit Red Wings	Michigan Opera Theater

Package 6 - Chanel Makeup Collection

- Makeup and fragrance gift set from Chanel Beauty & Fragrance, Saks Fifth Avenue

Package Value: \$541 · Starting Bid: \$200

Package 7 - Chanel with Friends

- Private beauty party for up to 12 guests, with champagne, chocolates, and gift bags for all attendees, at Chanel Beauty & Fragrance, Saks Fifth Avenue

Package Value: \$500 · Starting Bid: \$150

Package 8 - A Birmingham Staycation

- One Night Stay in a Luxury Room at The Townsend Hotel, donated by Frank Pisano
- \$75 Gift Certificate to Flemings Prime Steakhouse and Wine Bar

Package Value: \$505 · Starting Bid: \$225

Package 9 - Bulova Watch

- Mens Bulova Watch from Astrain's Creative Jewelers

Package Value: \$499 · Starting Bid: \$200

Package 10 - Wine Tours in the Mitten

- Private Tour & Tasting for 4 at Mari Vineyards, Traverse City
- Wine Tasting with Wine Glasses for 4 at Fenn Valley Vineyards, Fennville
- Art of Decanting by Sandra Jordan and Lindsey Lee Johnson

Package Value: \$440 · Starting Bid: \$125

Package 11 - Wine & Westin

- Weekend Night Stay at the Westin Book Cadillac Hotel with Valet Parking and Breakfast for Two in the Boulevard Room
- Bottle of M.Lawrence Detroit Sparkling Wine

Package Value: \$420 · Starting Bid: \$200

Package 12 - Troy Gymnastics Birthday Party

- Birthday Party for up to 20 Children and \$50 Gift Certificate for Ropes Course at Troy Gymnastics

Package Value: \$370 · Starting Bid: \$150

Sincere Thanks to: The Providers of Goods & Services

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Music Michigan Philharmonic

Orchestra Jazz Trio

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Sincere Thanks to: The Wine Tasting Sponsor:

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- 36101 Woodward / Birmingham / 248-647-0020
- 10% of all beverage orders from Uptown Market will be donated to the Library

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Svenska Café

930 East Maple / Birmingham / 248-480-0653

Uptown Market

36101 Woodward / Birmingham / 248-647-0020

Package 13 - Enjoying the Arts

- One Year Household Membership to Cranbrook Art Museum
 - Two Tickets to The Barber of Seville on November 14, 2018 at Michigan Opera Theatre
 - Two Tickets to a Performance of the Detroit Symphony Orchestra (Emanuel Ax Plays Beethoven on November 9, 2018 or Beethoven's Fifth on December 6, 2018)
 - \$50 Gift Certificate to Streetside Seafood
- Package Value: \$405 · Starting Bid: \$150

Package 14 - Errands around Town

- \$200 Gift Card to Wesch Cleaners
 - 6-Month Unlimited Club Express Exterior Membership at Jax Car Wash
 - \$50 Gift Card to Plum Market
- Package Value: \$370 · Starting Bid: \$150

Package 15 - A Night in Detroit

- One Night Stay at the Detroit Foundation Hotel
 - Bottle of Veuve Clicquot
- Package Value: \$340 · Starting Bid: \$125

Package 16 - Hey, Hey Hockey Town November

- 2 tickets to Detroit Red Wings vs. New York Rangers, at Little Caesar's Arena, Friday, November 9, in section 118, row 9, aisle seats 9 and 10, on the goal line, donated by Erica & Ryan Morris
 - \$25 gift certificate to Sports and Social
 - Detroit Red Wings Hockey Puck, Autographed by Martin Frk #42
- Package Value: \$ 340 · Starting Bid: \$150

Package 17 - Hey, Hey Hockey Town October

- 2 tickets to Detroit Red Wings vs. Caroline Hurricanes, at Little Caesar's Arena, Monday, October 22, in section 118, row 9, aisle seats 9 and 10, on the goal line, donated by Erica & Ryan Morris
 - \$50 gift certificate to Mike's Pizza Bar
- Package Value: \$ 300 Starting Bid: \$125

Package 18 - Some Teen Fun

- Fill Your Own Chocolate Box at Birmingham Chocolate
 - Private Class for 4 to 6 People at PaperSource Birmingham
 - 2 Movie Passes at Emagine Entertainment
 - \$20 Gift Card to Sephora
 - Fallen Book Series, Set of 4 Books, Signed by Author Lauren Kate
- Package Value: \$355 · Starting Bid: \$150*

Package 19 - Some Family Fun

- 4 Admissions to The Henry Ford Museum of American Innovation or Greenfield Village
 - Two Months of Group Lessons Plus Membership Fee at Goldfish Swim School Birmingham
- Package Value: \$305 · Starting Bid: \$125*

Package 20 - Wine is Fine

- \$50 Gift Card to Old Woodward Cellars
 - \$50 Gift Card to Vinoteca
 - Chateau Cru Classe - Chateau Lascombes Margaux 2008 Magnum, donated by Melissa & Tom Mark
- Package Value: \$300 · Starting Bid: \$125*

Package 21 - Dinner and (a couple) Shows

- Season Tickets for Two People at St. Dunstan's Theatre Guild
 - Four Tickets to Any Main Stage Production at Birmingham Village Playets
 - \$50 Gift Certificate to Beverly Hills Grill
- Package Value: \$264 · Starting Bid: \$125*

Package 22 - Date Night

- \$50 Gift Card, Bottle of Merlot, and Two Wine Glasses from Hyde Park Prime Steakhouse
 - \$50 Gift Card to Vinoteca
 - \$100 Gift Card to Tiffany Florist
- Package Value: \$225 · Starting Bid: \$100*

Package 23 - Fit and Refreshed

- 3-Class Pack, Workout Bag, Towel, Water Bottle, Shirt, and Hat from Orange Theory Fitness
 - \$60 Gift Card to Massage Green Spa
 - \$20 Gift Card to Beyond Juice
- Package Value: \$205 · Starting Bid: \$75*

Package 24 - Birmingham Treats

- \$100 Gift Card to White Birch
 - A Year of Plants and Flowers from English Gardens
- Package Value: \$190 · Starting Bid: \$75*

Package 25 - B-Ball Fan

- 4 Grandstand Tickets to United Shore Professional Baseball League Game at Jimmy John's Field
 - Utica Unicorns Bobblehead
 - Autographed Lithograph of Reggie Bullock, from the Detroit Pistons
- Package Value: \$190 · Starting Bid: \$75*

Package 26 - Books and Bites

- \$100 Gift Card to Commonwealth
 - \$50 Gift Card, Mug, and Book Light from Barnes & Noble
 - *The Most Dangerous Place on Earth*, Signed by Author Lindsey Lee Johnson
- Package Value: \$175 · Starting Bid: \$75*

Package 27 - Kids Delight

- Gift Certificate, Tote Bag, Pins & Book from Piccolo Penguin
 - Melissa & Doug Stuffed Plush Unicorn from Adventures in Toys
- Package Value: \$163 · Starting Bid: \$75*

Package 28 - Pampered Pooch

- Premier Pet Supply - Dog Bed, Treats, and Toys for Dogs
 - Bottle of Great Oregon Wine Company Rascal Pinot Noir 2015
- Package Value: \$115 · Starting Bid: \$50*