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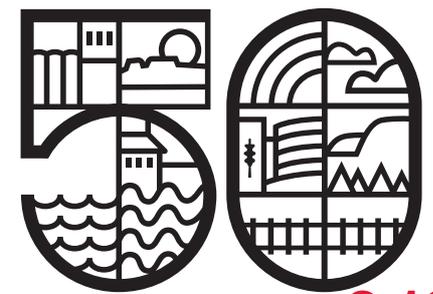
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Public Library

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Programs and services at Community Hubs January - April 2020

A Time for Celebration! The Library is Now Fines Free!

TBPL is celebrating the New Year, a new decade and the 50th Anniversary of our City in a very special way. We have a series of delightful events planned for the entire year (see inside for more details on our 50th Anniversary events). We are also eliminating all overdue fines permanently beginning on January 2. We know that fines are a huge barrier to accessing library services, so, you will no longer be charged for returning items late! For full details see page 4.



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Anishinabek Employment and Training Services (AETS) celebrated its grand opening early this summer in the Waverley Community Hub, and also completed its Annual General Meeting (AGM) in Pawgwasheeng (Pays Plat First Nation) this past fall. Another successful year was reported at the AGM, which included delivering continuing education and training to employment programs at the same time as implementing Pre-Apprenticeship Training Programs in the areas of Construction Craft Worker and Carpentry as well as a variety of other Skills Partnership Fund training programs.

The new national Indigenous Skills and Employment Training (ISET) Program builds on what was successful about the earlier program, and now includes:

- new distinctions-based strategies and funding streams that will help meet the unique needs of First Nations, Métis, Inuit and urban/non-affiliated Indigenous people;
- greater focus on the full continuum of skills development, from essential skills to skills upgrading;
- greater flexibility for Indigenous organizations to design programming to meet the needs of their people and communities;
- reduced administrative burden; and
- increased funding to support predictable and stable training and skills development over the next 10 years.

AETS continues to fund the delivery of a variety of training to employment services, including the G1 and G2 Driver's License program and an upcoming class in Personal Support Worker Training and Conversational French preparation training for future Flight Attendants. There will also be two new Pre-Apprenticeship Programs delivered in the new-year including another General Carpenter and Drywall-Acoustic-Lathing Applicator training program.

AETS is also offering free high school credits and a credit-granting process for mature students to obtain credit for prior learning. Check out the website at www.aets.org/education for more information. These continuing education services include Independent (Grade 9-12) Study Courses and scheduled Summer 2020 Grade 11 Fishing, Medicines, Crafts &

Canoe Trip and Fall 2020 Grade 11 Moose & Wild Rice Camps options and/or Grade 11/12 English courses. AETS will also offer a two week non-academic credit Indigenous Entrepreneurship Course early in 2020 for those who are unemployed or underemployed, as well as an academic credit Fall 2020 Aboriginal Youth Entrepreneurship program.

Another program is the Dinowigehmin – Aboriginal Leadership Program (ALP), which plans to start up in January 2020 and designed to contribute to the participant's cultural, spiritual, mental, physical and emotional wellbeing. Check out website at www.aets.org/alp for more information and the varied guest speakers for this years class. Please contact AETS to discover how we can assist with your leadership interests.

In the next newsletter and on behalf of the AETS Board of Directors and Staff, I will be able to share more about an updated strategic plan. In the meantime, AETS will continue to ensure the best possible education to training to employment delivery of programs and services.

Please visit our website at www.aets.org for more details on how we can assist you or feel free to drop by in person to the Waverley Community Hub at 285 Red River Road on weekdays from 9:30 am to 4:30 pm or call us at (807) 346-0307. Some of the AETS Staff contacts available to connect with include, but not exclusive to the Elder in Residence, Employment Officer, High School Teacher, Job Development Officer, Life Skills Officer and Project (Pre-Apprenticeship Training Program) Co-ordinator.

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John DeGiacomo, Executive Director
ed@aets.org



City Manager Norm Gale (centre), learns about the new partnership between the Library and AETS. Also pictured, John DeGiacomo, Executive Director, AETS (left) and John Pateman, Chief Librarian/CEO (right).

50th Anniversary



2020 is the City of Thunder Bay's 50th anniversary to celebrate the amalgamation of Port Arthur and Fort William in 1970. It's also the anniversary of Thunder Bay Public Library (TBPL)! To mark this occasion TBPL will be holding a series of special events.

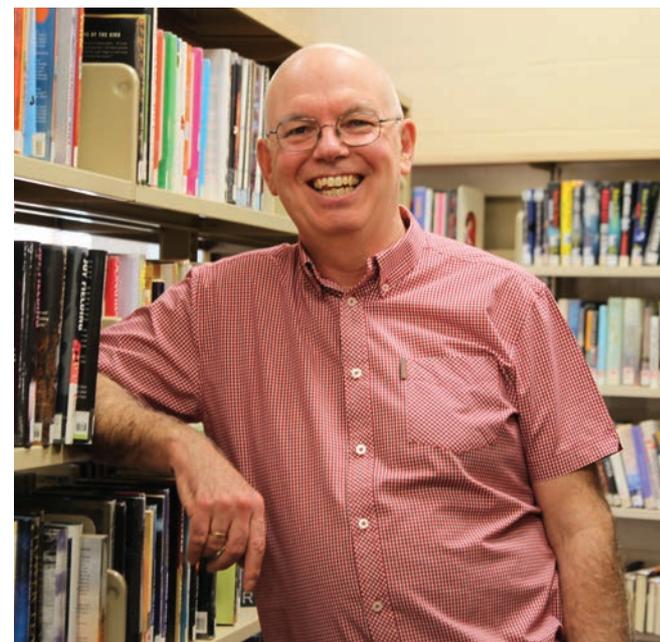
The first of these will be From Here, a music festival to celebrate the amazing musical talent that Thunder Bay has produced - and continues to produce - over the years. From Here will bring together some of the musicians who were starting out on their musical careers back in 1970. Fifty years later they are still going strong and, while they were originally 'from here', they have since gone on to make their mark nationally and internationally. This success is something we can all be proud of; it is also an inspiration to today's aspiring musicians, and there will be workshops where this knowledge, expertise and wisdom can be passed on from one generation to the next. The culminating event will be a concert featuring the 'from here' performers. It should be a great event.

The second event - Outside The Lines - will be held in early November and will celebrate the awesome literary talent that exists in this city, whether that be established writers, emerging authors, or amazing storytellers. This festival will be open to everyone and will be like no other readers and writers festival that this city has seen. The focus will be on diversity in its many different varieties. There will be diversity in terms of art form from prose fiction, to non fiction, poetry, plays, spoken word

and everything in between. And there will be diversity in terms of the backgrounds of those who perform and attend the festival - diversity in terms of race, class, gender, age, ability, sexual orientation and all the other ways in which we self-identify ourselves these days. We particularly want to attract the people who may think that this kind of festival is 'not for them' - and prove them wrong!

Our third anniversary project is a book - **Bright Symbols** - documenting the history of Thunder Bay Public Library and its predecessors, the Port Arthur and Fort William Public Libraries. Our city has a proud history and tradition of providing not only excellent but ground breaking public library services. Mary J.L. Black, after whom one of our libraries was named, was a pioneer in developing public libraries that met the needs of the people of Thunder Bay. TBPL has gone through a process of constant change over the past 50 years from a standalone traditional public library to the multi-purpose, community led and needs based service hubs that we provide today. We are proud of our public library and we are proud of our City and we look forward to celebrating its 50th anniversary with you in 2020.

In addition, we will be releasing a 50th Anniversary Podcast in 2020 tentatively titled *Suspensions of Mary J.* Podcasts are increasing in popularity as a form of entertainment and the Library is excited to be writing and voicing our very own "radio" serial styled podcast.



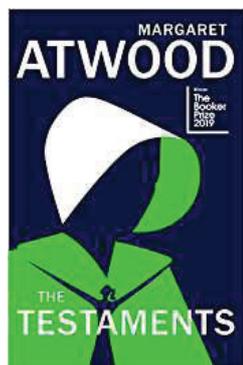
This podcast will be a work of fiction and will interweave mystery, adventure and historical elements. The story will also give listeners a glimpse behind the scenes at the inner workings of the Library as the protagonists attempt to "solve the mystery" with the help of library resources and staff. Stay tuned for the first episode!

Happy New Year!

John Pateman, Chief Librarian/CEO
jpateman@tbpl.ca

Pateman's Picks

Twilight In Italy
by D.H. Lawrence
Talking to Strangers
by Malcolm Gladwell
Quarrels by Eve Joseph
The Testaments
by Margaret Atwood
The Cantos by Ezra Pound
The Fall by Albert Camus



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Board Meetings

Members of the public are welcome at the monthly Library Board meetings. If you have any special needs or want more details, please call 684-6803 at least one week prior to the meeting.

● January 9

For additional board meeting dates, please visit our website at www.tbpl.ca/board

Indigenous programs

NDN Book Club

Brodie Study Room
Wednesdays @ 6 pm

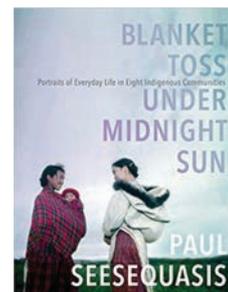
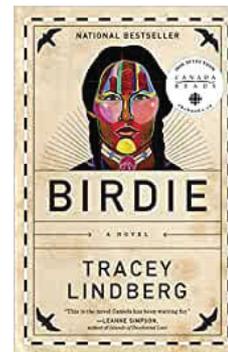
Calling all Indigenous Book Lovers! Join us for a monthly book club reading and discussion group of Indigenous authors in a safe all-Indigenous space. No previous reading of the book required, only encouraged, as we'll read sections aloud to discuss them. Call or email Sam at smartin-bird@tbpl.ca or 684-6811 for a copy of each month's book and register online at www.tbpl.ca/onlinecalendar

February 5 - *Birdie* by Tracey Lindberg

Birdie is a darkly comic and moving novel about the experience of recovering from wounds of the past, informed by the knowledge of Cree traditions. Part road trip, dream quest and travelogue, the novel touches on the universality of women's experience.

April 1 - *Blanket Toss Under Midnight Sun* by Paul Seesequaisis

A revelatory portrait of eight Indigenous communities from across North America, shown through never-before-published archival photographs - a gorgeous extension of Paul Seesequaisis's popular social media project.



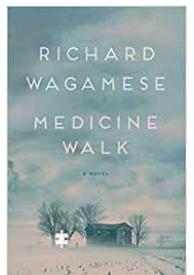
Richard Wagamese Tribute Book Club

Brodie Study Room
Tuesdays @ 1 pm

Join us for a special Richard Wagamese tribute book club as we celebrate the life and work of this award winning Anishinaabe writer and storyteller. Everyone is welcome to read and join the discussion. To register, contact Robyn at rmedicine@tbpl.ca, call 345-8275 ext. 7252 or online at www.tbpl.ca/onlinecalendar. Copies are available in Library or check out the eBook using cloudLibrary.

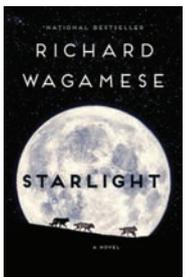
February 25 - *Medicine Walk*

Medicine Walk follows the journey of sixteen-year-old Franklin Starlight to take his father, Eldon, into the bush to pass into the next world and be buried as a warrior, while at the same time grappling with his abandonment as a child.



April 28 - *Starlight*

The final novel from Richard Wagamese, centres on an abused woman on the run who finds refuge on a farm owned by an Indigenous man with wounds of his own.



Indigenous Literacy

County Park Community Hub

We are attempting to pair Indigenous people wishing to improve their reading skills with Indigenous mentors. If you are interested in participating in this new initiative please contact Melanie at 345-8275 ext 7402 or email her at mtribe@tbpl.ca

A Time for Celebration! The Library is Now Fines Free! *(continued from the front cover)*

Outstanding balances for items that haven't been returned to us (from the past) will not be cleared from your library record, instead, we will encourage you to pay what you can, make a donation or offer a replacement item instead. These balances won't prevent you from borrowing from the Library any more! In addition to eliminating fines, everything that you check out will automatically be renewed twice unless someone else has placed a hold and is waiting for it. Items will still have due dates, but if they are returned late, you will not be charged.

After the full borrowing period has expired, you will have to return the overdue items before checking out any more. The only fees that you may have to pay in the future, will be to replace items that have not been returned within 50 days of the due date. If a library material has been lost or misplaced, please talk to staff! We want library members to feel comfortable in approaching us to work together on solutions for replacing lost items.

Happy 50th Anniversary and happy New Year to all!



Indigenous programs

Ojibwe Games @ Brodie

Brodie Story Hour Room
Fridays @ 3:30 pm
April 3 & 24

Learn phrases and words in Anishinaabemowin. These games have been designed to support Indigenous children, youth and families in their Anishinaabemowin learning journey. Everyone is welcome. (all ages)

March Break: Ojibwe Bingo

County Park Children's Area
Tuesday, March 17 @ 10:30 am

Brodie Story Hour Room
Friday, March 20 @ 3:30 pm

Learn the words for specific animals in Anishinaabemowin with bingo.

Make a Dreamcatcher

Brodie Story Hour Room
Tuesday, April 14 @ 5 pm - 8:30 pm

Make your own traditional dream catcher. Supplies are included. Register beginning two weeks before program date in person, by phone or online at www.tbpl.ca/onlinecalendar. (Indigenous youth ages 12-18)

Gaagaagi – Series on Indigenous Journalism

Brodie Fireside Reading Room
Wednesdays @ 6 pm



Join us each month to share a meal and hear stories from Indigenous journalists, learn more about Indigenous issues in media and about Indigenous media itself. Gaagaagi, the raven, is associated with the teaching of honesty which is also one of the most central values in journalism. This series is brought to you by Journalists for Human Rights (JHR) in association with the Thunder Bay Public Library.

January 15 - Michael Dick - Executive Producer CBC Thunder (Fort William First Nation)

January 29 - JHR Workshop: Media and Human Rights

February 12 - Willow Fiddler - Video Journalist with APTN (Sandy Lake First Nation)

February 26 - JHR Workshop: How to Spot Fake News

March 11 - Rick Garrick - Freelance journalist & Debwewin Citation for excellence in reporting about Indigenous issues (Lac Seul First Nation)

March 25 - JHR Workshop: Write a Letter to the Editor

EXTRA:

Saturday, March 21 @ 2 pm - Riley Yesno



The Maker's Path:

Introduction to Woodlands Painting for Youth

Brodie AETS Boardroom Table @ 5 pm - 8 pm
February 18 & 19

Explore the work of Anishinaabe artists Norval Morriseau, Roy Thomas and Kevin Belmore. During this 2 day workshop you will learn how to interpret lines and symbols used by these artists to tell a story of your own. Register beginning two weeks before program date in person, by phone or online at www.tbpl.ca/onlinecalendar. Supplies will be provided. (Indigenous youth 12-18)

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Ontario Genealogical Society Meetings

Mary J.L. Black Community Program Room
Tuesdays @ 7 pm

The Thunder Bay Branch of the Ontario Genealogical Society hold their monthly meetings at the Library. All are welcome to attend. Members can help with questions, brick walls, and local & online resources to grow your family tree.

January 14
February 11
March 10
April 14

One-on-One Ancestry Database Coaching

Are you interested in learning about genealogy and need assistance using the Ancestry Library Edition database? If so, the library is now offering one-on-one coaching. We will explain how the database works and offer some tips and tricks in tracking down your ancestors.

Contact the Brodie Community Hub for a free one-on-one session (subject to staff availability)
345-8275 (ext 4205).

Digital Newspapers!

Sections of the TBPL historical newspaper collection have been digitized! Visit the Brodie Library to learn more and try them out.



One-on-One Computer Coaching

We can help you with basic technology skill building so you can access the digital resources you need.

Popular Topics:

- Internet searching
- Computer and mouse basics
- eBooks, Databases and other Library collections
- Email
- Facebook

Booking An Appointment:

Contact your nearest branch to make an appointment for free one-on-one help (subject to staff availability):

Brodie624-4200
Waverley684-6815
County Park345-8275 (ext 7400)
Mary J.L. Black345-8275 (ext 7300)

If we are not able to help with a specific question or request, we may be able to suggest alternative resources in the community.

Email: coaches@tbpl.ca

Thunder Bay Literacy Group

Brodie Story Hour Room
Tuesdays @ 1 pm - 4 pm
January 14 - June 30 (alternating weeks)

Join Thunder Bay Literacy group in our community classroom at Brodie on Tuesdays from 1-4 pm every other week beginning January 14. Upgrade your skills in reading, writing, math and more.

For additional information contact Meagan by phone at 475-7211, email vc@tblg.org or visit www.tblg.org

Financial Literacy

Mary J.L. Black Community Program Room

Hosted by Penny Hunt. For more information contact Penny.Hunt@investorsgroup.com

Nearly Retired

Thursday, January 30 @ 6:30 pm

Retirement years approaching? How financially prepared are you?

Money Tips for Young Adults

Saturday, February 8 @ 1 pm

Personal finance tips for young adults: budgeting, saving, building credit.

Women. Finances. Freedom.

Thursday, March 5 @ 6:30 pm

Personal finance topics specific to women's needs and issues.

Radon Detector Info Session

The latest resource in Northwestern Ontario libraries isn't a book or tablet, but rather a radon detector. Short-term digital radon detectors, which measure levels of the lung-cancer causing gas, were added to the Library collection in November. The digital radon detectors offer a free way for residents to learn more about radon levels in their home.

Drop-in for more information:

Thursday, January 16 @ 6 pm

Mary J.L. Black Community Program Room

Draws for radon kits

Radon kits for sale for \$50

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You Put WHAT in the Lake? Why Whole-lake Experiments are Necessary to Understand Human Impacts on Freshwater

Saturday, January 25 @ 2 pm - Mary J.L. Black Community Program Room

For the past 52 years, researchers have been conducting whole-lake experiments at the IISD-Experimental Lakes Area to understand human impacts on aquatic ecosystems. These experiments have provided often unexpected results, and have had a major hand in shaping environmental policy both in Canada and around the globe. "But why do we need to do experiments in a whole lake? Why can't you do them in a lab?", you might ask. Dr. Michael Rennie, Associate Professor at Lakehead University and Research Fellow at the Experimental Lakes Area will explain why, and review some of the experiments (and policy impacts) of both past and ongoing experiments.

Lakehead University's Wolf Den Athletics Expansion

Saturday, February 22 @ 2 pm - Waverley Auditorium

Lakehead University is embarking on a \$1.8 million campaign to support the construction of the dynamic new Wolf Den athletics facility, a project that students overwhelmingly supported in a referendum in 2018. Set to open in 2020, the new 30,000 square-foot Wolf Den will be connected and built adjacent to the C.J. Sanders Fieldhouse. Students are contributing \$11 million of the \$12.8 million construction cost. The expansion will allow Lakehead to double the space dedicated to fitness and wellness that the current space provides, for both students and community use. Join Tom Warden, Lakehead's Athletics Director, for this talk.

Canadians, Climate Change and Teaching

Saturday, March 28 @ 2 pm - Brodie Fireside Reading Room

Imagine being in the middle of a crisis that, somehow, no one knows much about. Our recent study of Canadians and climate change found just that. While Canadians are overwhelmingly aware of climate change and concerned about its impacts, many do not know the basic causes and are therefore ill prepared to engage with how to tackle it. That's not surprising; we also found that most teachers do not teach about climate change and most of those who do, spend little time on it. In fact, we found that many teachers also lack basic knowledge about climate change. It's no wonder that we're in a climate crisis when we're also in a climate change education crisis. The good news? Most Canadians think climate change should be taught in schools and teachers want professional development to help them teach it. Join Dr. Paul Berger, Lakehead's Chair of Graduate Studies & Research in the Faculty of Education, for this talk.



Watch for a new collection on climate change, featuring books and other material, coming soon to your library.

NOWW Readings & Workshop

Presented by Northwestern Ontario Writers' Workshop (NOWW). Visit www.nowwwriters.ca for more information.

Readings

Mary J.L. Black Community Program Room
Thursdays @ 7 pm

February 20 (poetry) - *White: snow, brides, innocence, milk, knight, chess, checkers, fish*

March 19 - *10x10 plays*

April 16 - *Green: growth, money, slime, emeralds, grass, evergreen, algae*

Come out and listen to local authors read their work. Your support is invaluable. Interested in reading? Please contact Don at admin@nowwwriters.ca. Open mic for short poetry at each reading.

Workshops

Mary J.L. Black Community Program Room

Registration available on the NOWW website. Fee is \$10 for NOWW members or \$40 for non-members (includes a membership).

Thursday, January 23 @ 6:30 pm - Holly Haggarty, Workshop on Poetry Rhythm

Tuesday, February 25 @ 6:30 pm - Jean Pendziwol, Workshop on Traditional Publishing

Tuesday, March 24 @ 6:30 pm - H. Leighton Dickson, Workshop on Self-Publishing



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The Kaministiquia River Lake Sturgeon

Waverley Auditorium
Wednesday, February 26 @ 7 pm

Drop-in and join Mike Friday, Fisheries Biologist, for this presentation to learn about the ancient species (*Acipenser fulvescens*) living in the lower Kaministiquia River. Contact Trisha at 345-8275 ext. 7260 with any questions.



Asteroid Impact at Sudbury - Thunder Bay's Worst Day

Mary J.L. Black Community Program Room
Tuesday, March 31 @ 7 pm

1 billion 850 million years ago - Sudbury gained a world class nickel deposit that has enriched Ontario for over a century, while the Thunder Bay area was totally devastated. Drop in for this presentation by Greg Brumpton. For more information call Trisha at 345-8275 ext. 7260.

Sign with Us

Mary J.L. Black Community Program Room
Thursdays @ 6 pm - 7:30 pm

January 9
February 13
March 12
April 9

Everyone is welcome to drop in for this opportunity to practice American Sign Language, learn about Deaf Culture and so much more. Experienced signers, new to ASL, Deaf, Hard of Hearing and Hearing, open to ages 0-110! Email cmarsonet@tbpl.ca for more information.

Canadian Lighthouses of Lake Superior Speakers Series

Learn about the dynamic role that lighthouses have played in our region. Please see www.clls.ca for more information.

Mary J.L. Black Community Program Room @ 7 pm
Tuesday, January 28
Thursday, February 27

Waverley Auditorium @ 7 pm
Tuesday, March 24
Monday, April 20

Book Butler

Looking for reading suggestions? Ask the Book Butler! Go to www.tbpl.ca/bookbutler and follow the link to an online survey about your reading preferences. The Book Butler will respond by email within a week with a personalized list of recommended books.



Casual Clerisy Club

Waverley Auditorium
Tuesdays @ 12 pm

Bring your lunch and join in. Contact Linda at Imaehans@tbaytel.net for more information.

January 14 - Holiday Reading
February 11 - Travel/Adventure
March 10 - Exploring the Environment
April 14 - Literary Prizes and Awards

Writers' Circle

Waverley Auditorium @ 7 pm

Monday, January 20 - St. Teresa of Avila
Monday, February 17 - Bring Your Own Work
Thursday, March 26 - Keats & Yates

The Writers' Circle meets at the Library once a month to share ideas and support each other. All new writers, especially beginners, are welcome. Please call Paul at 345-8513 for more information.

Potala Meditation Group

Waverley Auditorium
Mondays @ 7 pm

January 27
February 24
March 23
April 27

Learn Tibetan meditation practices. For more information contact Dan Cox at dtxox3@gmail.com

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New Hours in 2020

Changes to hours of operation are being made at the Library in the new year effective January 2, 2020. These changes are being made to optimize service to the public on the weekends, particularly on Sunday when hours of operation were quite limited. Weekly hours of service to the community will be increased to 209.5 hours from 206 hours across our four locations, with some adjustments to weekly hours at individual library branches.

Hours of operation effective January 2, 2020 are listed on page 22 of this publication.

These decisions were based on a number of factors, including:

- offering more hours of operation on Sundays at one location on each side of town - hours on Sundays will now be from 9:30 am - 5 pm which will better serve students, researchers and the many people that work from Monday to Friday
- ensuring that there are more permanent staff available to assist library members seven days a week
- utilizing staff as efficiently and effectively as possible within our operating budget
- offering the same level of service during each hour that we are open

There will not be a reduction to staff or programming as a result of these changes.

There will be additional changes to hours of operation at Library locations in the fall of 2020.



Retirement Explorers

Mary J.L. Black Community Program Room
Fridays @ 1 pm
January 10 - April 24 (no meeting on April 10)

Retirement Explorers are a group of retirees who pursue active recreation options. Retirees and soon-to-be retirees are welcome to attend. For more information please call Jennifer @ 625-3135 or email jhyytiainen@thunderbay.ca

Retirement Explorers
and Wit Knits are
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Wit Knits

Mary J.L. Black Community Program Room
Thursdays @ 1:30 pm
January 9 - April 30 (no meeting on March 19)

Whether you're new to knitting or experienced and 55+, you are welcome to join Wit Knits, a group that gets together to knit (and crochet). Share stories and laughs with fellow group members while you work. For more information please call Jennifer @ 625-3135 or email jhyytiainen@thunderbay.ca



Grant Connect

Thunder Bay Public Library will be making Grant Connect available at all Library locations for use in the Library. Grant Connect is the must-have tool for Canadian fundraisers. Search thousands of funders, find grants, and win opportunities. This database will be of particular assistance to non-profit organizations looking for funding programs or grant streams to assist with their services or programs. For more information, please contact Sylvia by phone at 684-6808 or email srenaud@tbpl.ca



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Make Tonight a Bollywood Film Night!

The Library is responding to increased demand for DVDs from "the Hollywood of the East" by adding new titles from India to our DVD collection. There are many diverse genres and titles to choose from and we hope you can find something to enjoy during your next visit to the Library. Also, if you have suggestions for future movies to add, please let us know by e-mailing suggestions@tbpl.ca



connect to creativity

“Beat It” Rhythm Circle*

Brodie Story Hour Room
Tuesday, April 28 @ 1:30 pm - 3 pm

Have you always wanted to make music, but felt like you had no rhythm and two left feet? Then this is the class for you. A good time is guaranteed as you play boomwhackers, percussion instruments, found objects, and even your body, and actually make music while doing it. No experience necessary. Instruments supplied. Registration starts two weeks prior to program date in person, by phone, or online at www.tbpl.ca/onlinecalendar (ages 15+)

Happiness Rocks*

Mary J.L. Black Community Program Room
Monday, April 6 @ 1 pm - 3 pm

It is said that the simplest acts of kindness can change someone's day. Join us as we partner with Thunder Bay Rocks Group and paint Happiness Rocks to spread around the community and brighten people's lives. Considered random acts of art, rocks can be painted with bright colours, images, intricate designs or simple messages, and then shared with total strangers. Supplies are included, but you are welcome to bring your own. Please pre-register 2 weeks prior to program date in person, by phone, or online at www.tbpl.ca/onlinecalendar (ages 15+)

Colour Me Calm

Waverley Learning Space
Thursdays @ 7 pm

February 6 & 20
March 5 & 19
April 2, 16 & 30
May 14



Looking for a creative way to relax and meet new people? Join Colour Me Calm, the drop-in Adult Colouring Club at Waverley. Supplies and refreshments will be provided! For more information, contact Shauna at wavcolouringclub@tbpl.ca or by phone 684-6814.

Afternoon Artist*

Waverley Auditorium
Wednesday, January 15 @ 1:30 pm - 4 pm

Spend the afternoon learning to create a unique painting. No experience necessary. Supplies will be provided at no cost. Participants are encouraged to bring their own apron or wear old clothes in case of paint mishaps. This workshop is free, but with limited registration. Please pre-register beginning two weeks before program date in person, by phone, or visit www.tbpl.ca/onlinecalendar (ages 15+)

Stained Glass Sun Catcher*

Mary J.L. Black Community Program Room
Tuesday, February 4 @ 6 pm - 8 pm
Thursday, February 6 @ 6 pm - 8 pm

Join us as we turn a used CD into a mandala style sun catcher. This is a two-part session, so please make sure you are able to attend both dates. All materials supplied. Registration begins two weeks prior to the first class in person, by phone, or online at www.tbpl.ca/onlinecalendar (ages 15+)

Make a Dreamcatcher*

County Park Study Room
Thursday, April 2 @ 1:30 pm - 4 pm

Make your own traditional dream catcher and learn the meaning and purpose behind it. Supplies are included. Register beginning two weeks before program date in person, by phone or online at www.tbpl.ca/onlinecalendar (ages 15+)

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connect to learning

Readers are Leaders

Readers are Leaders matches children in grades 1 - 3 with a volunteer to read together and enjoy fun activities that build confidence and interest in the joy of reading! This one-hour weekly session is offered at 5:30 pm or 6:30 pm at Brodie or Waverley.

Volunteer or register for this program online at www.tbpl.ca/readersareleaders, or call or visit Waverley 684-6816 or Brodie 624-4208.

Mondays @ Brodie Story Hour Room
January 20 - March 9 (no meeting Feb. 17)

Thursdays @ Waverley Auditorium
January 23 - March 12



See page 17 for more volunteer opportunities!

Volunteers Needed
Call or visit Brodie or Waverley or go online to www.tbpl.ca/readersareleaders

Think Hub

The Northern ThinkHub has had a great opening



Fall with families and schools coming in to explore our standing units of "Chain Reaction" and "Good Vibrations". We have also had several classes coming in to participate in our Bridges or Tremendous Towers modules. The class visit modules support the Grade 3 - 5 Science Structures and Mechanisms curriculum, and allow the students to develop a working knowledge of bridges and towers as structures by exploring their strength and ability to withstand natural phenomena. Each unit is approximately an hour in length. If you are interested in more information, or booking a class visit, please visit us in person on the lower level of the Brodie Community Hub, phone us at 624-4205, or email us at thinkhub@tbpl.ca The ThinkHub is open the same hours that the Brodie Community Hub is open, with the exception of scheduled class visits, so please feel free to drop by and explore!

Northern Nature Trading

Mary J.L. Black Community Hub

Northern Nature Trading is a special kind of swap shop! You can bring in the natural objects you've found in nature - like rocks, shells, fossils and pine cones and trade for objects in our collection.

HOURS

Tuesday 6 pm - 8 pm
Thursday 6 pm - 8 pm
Saturday 2 pm - 4 pm



Think Hub is funded by:



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Northern Nature Trading Special Guest Geologist Greg Paju

Tuesday, February 4
Thursday, March 12
Tuesday, April 21



6 pm - 8 pm



Greg is back! Brings in your rocks and learn about rock identification!

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Waverley

Auditorium

Blue Spruce Storytime

Saturday, February 22 @ 10:30 am
Celebrate 'I Read Canadian' day by participating in this story time featuring a selection of books from the Blue Spruce Award program of the Forest of Reading. All selections will promote Canadian authors, illustrators and publishers. (all ages)

Author Visit: Every Family is Different

Saturday, February 29 @ 10:30 am
Come celebrate different families with newly published author Constance O'Connor and Natalia Rojas. Together they created a wonderful book about different animal families and how they are all different but the one thing they have in common is love. (all ages)

How to Reach Us

- Brodie 624-4208
- Waverley 684-6816
- Mary J.L. Black 345-8275 (7301)
- County Park 345-8275 (7401)

Online registration

www.tbpl.ca/onlinecalendar

Mary J.L. Black

Community Program Room

PA Day Puppet Show: Big Mean Mike

Friday, January 24 @ 2:30 pm
Big Mean Mike is the biggest, toughest dog in the whole neighborhood. He has a big, mean car that he likes to drive around the big, mean streets. But what happens when a tiny, fuzzy bunny shows up in his car?...Find out! Drop in puppet show. (all ages)

PA Day Puppet Show: The Frog Prince

Friday, February 28 @ 2:30 pm
Would you kiss a frog? This princess just might have to....RIBBIT! Drop in puppet show. (all ages)

Key to the Asterisks*

*Pre-registration is required (beginning two weeks before program date, by phone, in person or online). To register online, go to the date on the calendar when the program starts.

**Tickets are required (pick up at the Library branch beginning two weeks prior to program).

No asterisks - just drop-in to attend.

Brodie

Story Hour Room

PA Day Puppet Show & Craft: Unicorn Thinks He's Pretty Great!

Friday, January 24 @ 10:30 am
Drop-in puppet show (all ages)

I Read Canadian Day

Wednesday, February 19 @ 1 pm
Drop in and join us for a special afternoon storytime as we enjoy some of our favourite Canadian children's books. Daycares and schools are welcome. (all ages)

PA Day Storytime & Craft: Celebrate Black History Month

Friday, February 28 @ 10:30 am
Drop in and join us for the story of Anansi Spider followed by a chance to make your own! Special guests from the Carribean African Multicultural Centre of Thunder Bay will lead our storytime. Daycares welcome! (all ages)

PA Day Program: Retro-Tech!*

Friday, February 28 @ 2:30 pm
Come to the library to experience using microfilm machines to look up information in old newspapers! What was in the news the day you were born? Or the day your grandparents were born? (ages 10 -14)

County Park

Children's Area

PA Day: Heat Sensitive Slime*

Friday, January 24 @ 10:30 am
Come join us as we experiment with the power of temperature! (ages 5+)

PA Day Storytime & Craft: Celebrate Black History Month

Friday, February 28 @ 2:30 pm
Drop-in and join us for the story of Anansi Spider followed by a chance to make your own! Special guests from the Carribean African Multicultural Centre of Thunder Bay will lead our storytime. (all ages)



MARCH BREAK

16 — 21

FREE
events

• Puppet Shows • Storytimes • Concerts • Crafts



Waverley

Auditorium

I Can Be Anything Barbie*

Monday, March 16 @ 2:30 pm

Bring your own Barbie or doll and design outfits, fight fires and leap tall buildings, because just like Barbie, you can be anything! (ages 3+)

Fiesta and Puppet Show

Tuesday, March 17 @ 2:30 pm

Grab your sombreros, no time to siesta, come and join our fiesta! Games, activities and more. Enjoy the debut puppet show *Chupacabra Ate the Candelabra*. (all ages)

Sleeping Giant Exotics**

Wednesday, March 18 @ 2:30 pm

Learn about responsible pet ownership for many amazing exotic animals including but definitely not limited to snakes and lizards! (all ages)

Wild World*

Thursday, March 19 @ 10:30 am

Travel through the dark jungle and complete daring tasks to earn your jungle safari badge. (ages 3+)

Science North: Imagineering

Thursday, March 19 @ 2 pm

Test your Imagineering skills (all ages)
See page 15 for details



Puppet Show: Samson the Piranha Who Went to Dinner

Friday, March 20 @ 10:30 am

Puppet show, craft and play! (all ages)
Play Day begins after the puppet show.

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Community Program Room

Puppet Show: The Three Bears

Monday, March 16 @ 2:30 pm

Drop-in puppet show (all ages)

KinderMusik, Hurry Up Spring, A Concert

Tuesday, March 17 @ 2 pm

(babies 0-3 1/2, older siblings welcome)

Science North: Animal Extravaganza

Wednesday, March 18 @ 2 pm

Details on page 15

Craftpalooza

Thursday, March 19 @ 2 pm

(all ages)

Puppet Show: Princess Stinkytoes

Friday, March 20 @ 2:30 pm

Drop-in puppet show (all ages)

Drag Queen Storytime

Saturday, March 21 @ 2:30 pm

Drop in and join Molly and Fantasia for reading, singing and crafting! (all ages)

County Park

Children's Area

Dog Man Day!*

Monday, March 16 @ 10:30 am

He's half dog, half man, and all hero!

Come on down and defeat some evil villains! (ages 5+)

Ojibwe Bingo

Tuesday, March 17 @ 10:30 am

Details on page 5

Grumpy Grampas Family Concert

Thursday, March 19 @ 10:30 am

Join us for a fun-filled, family concert (all ages)

Brodie

Story Hour Room

Puppet Show - Shark in the Park

Monday, March 16 @ 10:30 am

Drop-in puppet show (all ages)

Button Making for Tweens*

Monday, March 16 @ 2:30 pm

A program for the older kids. Now your child can come make their own button!

Use one of our designs or create one. (ages 10+)

Musical Drop In with Erin

Tuesday, March 17 @ 10:30 am

Drop in and join Erin in this inclusive, musical storytime. (ages 6+)

Science North: Imagineering

Tuesday, March 17 @ 2 pm

Test your Imagineering skills (all ages)
See page 15 for details

Fairy Fantasyland

Wednesday, March 18 @ 10:30 am

Drop in for sweet fairy stories and make-your-own fairy wings! (all ages)

Musical Storytime for Babies

Thursday, March 19 @ 10:30 am

Drop in and join Erin for an inclusive musical storytime (ages 0-5)

Pajama Party!*

Thursday, March 19 @ 2:30 pm

Wear your comfiest pajamas and join us for bedtime stories. Stick around and make some 'keep the monsters away' spray to take home! (all ages) Daycares welcome!

Mystery Craft Day!

Friday, March 20 @ 10:30 am

Feeling crafty? Love surprises? Mystery craft day is for you! Drop in, grab a bag and use our supplies to create something fabulous. (all ages)

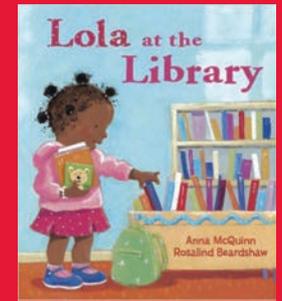
Ojibwe Bingo

Friday, March 20 @ 3:30 pm

Details on page 5

Beginning with BOOKS!

We all live with the objective of being happy: our lives are all different and yet the same.
– Anne Frank



These sessions will help children learn to love stories and get ready for reading. Parents will also learn about authors and titles and how they can help their child get ready for learning and school.

Baby Time @ 10:30 am

A drop-in, literacy based storytime for babies up to 24 months. Your baby will learn through stories, songs, lap rhymes and play. Siblings are welcome.

County Park Children's Area

Thursdays:

Session 1: January 23 - March 12

Session 2: April 9 - May 28

Brodie Story Hour Room

Thursdays:

Session 1: January 23 - March 12

Session 2: April 9 - May 28

Read, Sing, Play! @ 10:30 am

Children and their families will enjoy this 100% literacy based drop-in storytime combining stories, songs, and rhymes with activities and time for play! Daycares welcome - please call a few days ahead.

Brodie Story Hour Room

Tuesdays:

Session 1: January 21 - March 10

Session 2: April 7 - May 26

County Park Children's Area

Wednesdays:

Session 1: January 22 - March 11

Session 2: April 8 - May 27

Tales for Twos @ 10:30 am

Singing, stories, activities and rhymes for two year olds and their caregivers. Registration begins two weeks before program date by phone, in person or online.

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Community Program Room

Mondays:

Session 1: January 20 - March 9

Session 2: April 6 - May 25

(no session Feb. 17, April 13 & May 18)

Waverley Auditorium

Wednesdays:

Session 1: January 22 - March 11

Session 2: April 8 - May 27

Preschool Storytime @ 10:30 am

A school readiness program for children ages 3 and 4 to attend on their own while caregivers remain nearby in the Library. Parental participation is required for the craft portion of the program. Registration begins two weeks before program date by phone, in person or online.

Waverley Auditorium

Tuesdays:

Session 1: January 21 - March 10

Session 2: April 7 - May 26

Mary J.L. Black

Community Program Room

Wednesdays:

Session 1: January 22 - March 11

Session 2: April 8 - May 27

Brodie Story Hour Room

Wednesdays:

Session 1: January 22 - March 11

Session 2: April 8 - May 27

Wild Ones @ 10:30 am

A fun, drop-in group for babies between the ages of 7 months and 23 months with stories, songs and the occasional special guest.

Waverley Auditorium

Mondays:

January 20 - March 9 (no session February 17)

Early Literacy events are generously supported by:



Build and Play @ Mary J.

Mary J.L. Black Children's Area

Families are invited to come and play with our creative engineering and building toys! Mastermind a massive marble maze, build an adventure with Goldie Blox, or snap together Magna Tiles. Toys are suitable for children ages 4+.

Kits are available for use upon request anytime the Library is open!

County Park Creations

County Park Children's Area

Families are invited to come and play with our creative engineering and building toys. We have Playstix, Magnetic Blocks, Gear Blocks and more. (all ages)

Kits are available for use upon request anytime the Library is open!

Play Days @ Waverley

Waverley Auditorium

Fridays from 10 am - 4 pm

January 3 - April 17 (no session on April 10)

Drop in to the Waverley auditorium for unstructured play. Please note on PA days the auditorium will be available for play but small blocks of time may be reserved for special programming. Promoting literacy through dramatic play!

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Science North Programs

Imagineering

Test your Imagineering skills with Science North's exciting hands-on stations! Use the engineering method to brainstorm, design, and test various engineering and architecture challenges! From building and testing your very own race car and marble tracks, to learning about electricity by building circuits, this event is sure to engage future engineers of all ages! (all ages)

Tuesday, March 17 @ 2 pm Brodie

Thursday, March 19 @ 2 pm Waverley

Animal Extravaganza

Animal Extravaganza: Join the Science North Bluecoats to uncover the mysteries of the animal kingdom! Explore the mysteries of animals through 7 hands-on tables full of real animal skulls, adapting animals, and robotic insects! Discover a whole new world of creatures with Science North!

Wednesday, March 18 @ 2 pm Mary J.L. Black



See page 13 for more March Break

EVENTS

Forest of Reading

Canada's largest for-fun reading program where kids choose the winners! This reading program consists of categories, known as award programs, by age/grade. Each award program has ten nominated books by Canadian authors, illustrators and publishers, all competing for your vote:

- Blue Spruce (JK-Grade 2)
- Silver Birch Express (Grades 3-4)
- Silver Birch Fiction (Grades 3-6)
- Yellow Cedar (Grades 4-8)
- Red Maple (Grades 7-8)

For more information and the lists of nominated books, please visit: www.accessola.org

This year the library will be accepting votes for any of the above categories on behalf of individuals, classes (if your school is not already registered to officially submit votes) and other groups by email in person at the Waverley Library or by email to sraison@tbpl.ca or on or before April 23. If you would like to arrange a class visit and voting opportunity please call 684-6817.



Forest Of Reading



Frontier College Programs

Number Ninjas

Number Ninjas is a math based program designed to fill gaps in a student's basic mental math strategies. This is a FREE, registered program for children ages 8-12 to re-learn and master their ninja math skills. A Frontier College trained volunteer will be guiding each session. Register by phone or in person at the branch.

County Park Children's Area

Saturdays @ 10:30 am - 12:00 pm

February 1, 15 & 29

March 14 & 28

Study Buddies

Study Buddies is a homework help program for those children who could benefit from a little extra support to master their learning skills and strategies. This is a FREE, registered, Frontier College volunteer led program for children ages 7-12. Register by phone or in person at the branch.

Waverley Auditorium

Saturdays @ 12 pm - 2 pm

January 18 - March 28 (no session March 21)

County Park Children's Area

Wednesdays 6 pm - 7:30 pm

January 29 - March 25 (no session March 18)

Brodie Story Hour Room

Wednesdays @ 6 pm - 8 pm

January 15 - March 25 (no session March 18)



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Waverley

Auditorium

Video Game Night

Wednesdays @ 6:30 pm

January 22, March 11, April 15 & May 13

Come hang out, eat some popcorn and play our selection of Wii, PS3 and XBOX360 games. (grades 6-12)

Fandom Frolic: Studio Ghibli*

Thursday, March 19 @ 6:30 pm

We're back and celebrating fandom! This year we have everything from *Spirited Away* to *Kiki's Delivery Service*. Join the group and do some trivia, crafting, and eat some snacks if you're feeling it. (grades 6-12)

T(w)een Bookend Painting

Wednesday, February 5 @ 6:30 pm

Our teen section needs a glow up and we'd like your help to spruce it up by painting bookends with us! (grades 6-12)

T(w)een Black Out Poetry

Wednesday, April 8 @ 6:30 pm

For poetry month we're going to destroy things to make them more beautiful. Join us in making some Black Out Poetry and make some buttons too!

First Aid Dogs

Saturday, April 25 @ 10 am

Learn basic CPR techniques for your dog or cat. You will learn solutions to the most common injuries and ailments that your pet may experience (quills, skunked, lacerations, etc). Ideas about what you should carry with you in your pet first aid kit will also be discussed. Presented by Registered Veterinary Technician Anne-Marie Mayes who has over 15 years of veterinary experience. PETS do NOT attend this session. (ages 12+)

County Park

Children's Area

DIY Glow Jars*

Wednesday, January 29 @ 6:30 pm

Make your own glow-in-the-dark lantern to brighten up the dreary winter nights. (grades 4-8)

T(w)een Paint Night! Celebrate Black History Month*

Wednesday, February 26 @ 6 pm

Follow the journey of colours that represent Africa and the Caribbean from a local Black Artist! Find your rhythm and rhyme to create a masterpiece! (grades 4-8)

#StrongWomen

Wednesday, March 18 @ 6:30 pm

Learn some self defense techniques and create a vision board celebrating superheroes of international women's history. (grades 4+)

Papier Mâché for Earth Day!*

Wednesday, April 22 @ 6:30 pm

Come celebrate Earth Day by making a project using papier mâché! Please note this is a two part craft continuing on Saturday, April 25 @ 10:30 am. See the online calendar for more details. (grades 4-8)

Brodie

Story Hour Room

Teen Paint Night - Celebrate Black History Month*

Tuesday, February 25 @ 6 pm

Follow the journey of colours that represent Africa and the Caribbean from a local Black Artist. Find your rhythm and rhyme to create a masterpiece! (ages 12+)

Button Making for Tweens*

Monday, March 16 @ 2:30 pm

See page 13 for more details. (ages 10+)

Mary J.L. Black

Community Program Room



Mary J.L. Black Community Program Room
Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays 4 pm - 8 pm

Youth Move is a free drop-in program for anyone between the ages of 12 and 18. If you're looking for some excitement, programs and events for teens, food, friendship and a great place, then Youth Move is for you! Check us out on Facebook for updates on events, opportunities and contests for youth all year round! Call 625-2344 for more information.

Open Mic Night

Wednesdays @ 6 pm

February 26, April 1 & April 29

Come on down and hang out after hours with Youth Move and your fav library staff at MJLB library. We'll have an amp, a stool, a microphone and a fancy cup of water for all the teen comedians, musicians, and poets. Not ready to perform? Stop by for the snacks instead! Tweens and teens only please.

Want More Info?

Visit us at www.tbpl.ca/teens and find us on Instagram @tbplteens to see what fun stuff we're up to!



@tbplteens

*Pre-register beginning two weeks before program date in person, by phone or online at www.tbpl.ca/onlinecalendar

volunteering

Looking for Volunteer Hours? Why Not Try These Out?

Youth Advisory Council

If you're a teen/tween (or you know someone who is) and are looking for volunteer hours sign up for TBPL's Youth Advisory Council. You'll get experience for interviews, teamwork, event coordination and help provide the Library with a youth perspective on programs and services. Sign up at www.tbpl.ca/yac or email Nicole and Ruth at teens@tbpl.ca

Readers Are Leaders

A reading buddy program for kids in grades 1-3!
Mondays at Brodie and Thursdays at Waverley starting January 20. Details on page 11.

Teens Review

Help your fellow readers by writing reviews of books, movies or music you love (or hate) for volunteer hours. What you write about is up to you and for each 300 word review you write, you'll get an hour of volunteer time. If you would like more details or are interested in joining, email Nicole at teens@tbpl.ca to sign on as a reviewer.

Teen Makers and Shapers

Earn volunteer hours, promote library programs, and pitch in on event nights. Email Nicole at teens@tbpl.ca for more details.

1995 Time Capsules

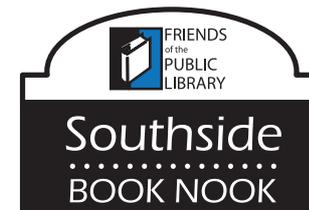
Did you participate in the TBPL Readers are Leaders program during the summer of 1995? Did you make a time capsule of your own to celebrate the City of Thunder Bay's 25th Anniversary? If so it's time to open them up and we would love it if you did so back at the library! The 1995 Time Capsule Project was targeted to children ages 5 and up and included special personal belongings such as photos, hand drawn pictures, toys, and more. Now that we're celebrating 50th anniversaries for both the City of Thunder Bay and the Thunder Bay Public Library we are excited to see what the young people of yesterday envisioned for the Thunder Bay of today.

Please contact Patience at 684-6817 if you have any questions, pictures or items from the 1995 time capsules. Keep an eye out for an extra special 2020 time capsule event.



Cassandra Sawchuk & Raymond Agich

friends



Victoriaville Centre

Monday to Friday..... 10 am - 4 pm
Saturday 12 pm - 3 pm
Sunday..... Closed
Statutory Holidays..... Closed

This schedule relies on the availability of volunteers.
Hours are subject to change. Phone: 623-2409

Join the Friends!

Are you interested in joining the Friends of the Library? Visit any library to fill out an application or find one online at www.tbpl.ca/friends

Superior Shores Bingo

Looking for something fun to do and support the Friends of the Library at the same time? Tonight, step out and try something different! Superior Shores Gaming Association offers bingo, electronic gaming, and more. Check our website at www.superiorshoresgaming.com for information.

All funds raised are shared between 79 local charities, of which the Friends are proud members. Those proceeds are directed to the library to support programs and purchase new materials for collections.

Upcoming Bingo Dates:

January 9
February 27
March 11

All are matinee sessions.



All proceeds from Friends fundraising are donated to the Thunder Bay Public Library.

get involved

Help us develop the Community Hubs you want!

Community Action Panel (CAP) Meetings

Mondays @ 6 pm

January 6 - Waverley Auditorium
February 3 - Brodie Study Room
March 2 - County Park Study Room
April 6 - TBD

Help shape our Library by becoming a member of the Community Action Panel (CAP)! The CAP is a group of community members who meet to discuss the Library and make suggestions and recommendations on how we can improve and change. We are looking for diverse new members to add their insights to our current group. We talk about what we would like to see happen with our Library, review and comment on the current direction and discuss what we like and what we think could improve. Come join us as we plan our next project - and make it happen!

For future dates, more information or to join contact Ryan at 624-4204 or rgracey@tbpl.ca or visit www.tbpl.ca/cap

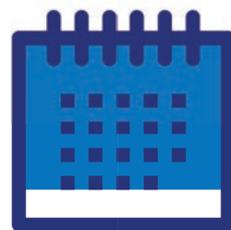
Indigenous Advisory Council (IAC) Meetings

Wednesdays @ 6 pm

January 22 - Brodie Story Hour Room
March 18 - Brodie Story Hour Room

The Indigenous Advisory Council (IAC) serves as advisors to the Library. Join us as we help guide and support the Library's ongoing decolonization and reconciliation efforts through meaningful discussion at IAC consultation meetings. Together we strive to create inclusive community hubs.

For more information or to join contact Robyn at 345-8275 ext 7252 or rmedicine@tbpl.ca or visit www.tbpl.ca/iac



Join Us!

Youth Advisory Council (YAC) Meetings

Wednesdays @ 6:30 pm

January 15 - Waverley
February 19 - Brodie
March 18 - Waverley
April 22 - Brodie

Need volunteer hours? Want your voice heard at your Library? Join the Youth Advisory Council! Our mission is to raise awareness of the library and its resources among teens and to provide a youth perspective on library services.

For future dates, more information or to join call 684-6817, email teens@tbpl.ca or visit www.tbpl.ca/yac



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stories from the lakehead

Happy 50th Anniversary TBPL!

The 50th anniversary of amalgamation has us looking back over the last 144 years of library history in Thunder Bay. Here are some interesting facts from the first 50 years 1876 - 1926.

Mechanic's
Institute Library
opens in Port Arthur

1876

1885

C.P.R. Library
opens in
Fort William

1905

Fort William Citizen's Library located
across from jail cells in Town Hall
basement

1909



Mary J. L. Black begins working at Fort
William Public Library (FWPL)

1910

FWPL's story hour
program started
in October

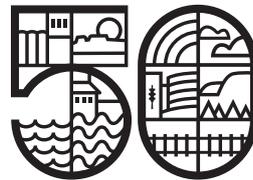
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Port Arthur Public Library
(PAPL) became a free public
Library. This same year
Mrs. Jeanie Wink began
working at PAPL.

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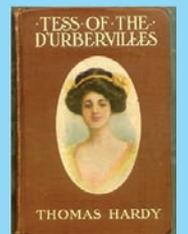


Fort William Public Library opens a Carnegie
Library



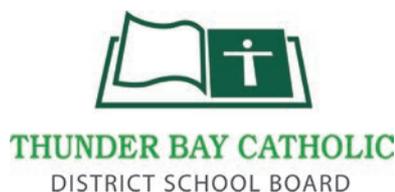
Did you Know?

The first books recorded in library collections
were *An Old Fashioned Girl* by Louisa May
Alcott (PA) and *Tess of the d'Urbervilles* (FW).



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Monday to Wednesday 9:30 am - 9 pm
Thursday to Sunday 9:30 am - 5 pm

Waverley Community Hub
285 Red River Road, P7B 1A9
Monday to Thursday 9:30 am - 9 pm
Friday & Saturday 9:30 am - 5 pm

Mary J.L. Black Community Hub
901 S. Edward Street, P7E 6R2
Monday, Wednesday & Friday 9:30 am - 5 pm
Tuesday & Thursday 1 pm - 9 pm
Saturday 9:30 am - 5 pm

County Park Community Hub
1020 Dawson Road, P7B 1K6
Wednesday 12 pm - 8 pm
Thursday to Sunday 9:30 am - 5 pm

All Hubs will be Closed:

February 17 Family Day
April 10 Good Friday
April 12 Easter Sunday
April 13 Easter Monday

AETS Hours

Waverley Community Hub - Lower Level
Monday - Friday 9:30 am - 4:30 pm



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Thunder Bay District Health Unit
Brodie Community Hub - Main Floor
Fridays @ 1:30 pm - 3:30 pm



Social Worker Hours

Joanne Boucher - Alpha Court
Brodie Community Hub - Main Floor
Thursday afternoons 1 pm - 4 pm

Waverley Community Hub - Main Floor
Last Tuesday of each month 1 pm - 4 pm



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City of Thunder Bay
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Monday, Wednesday & Friday 4 pm - 8 pm



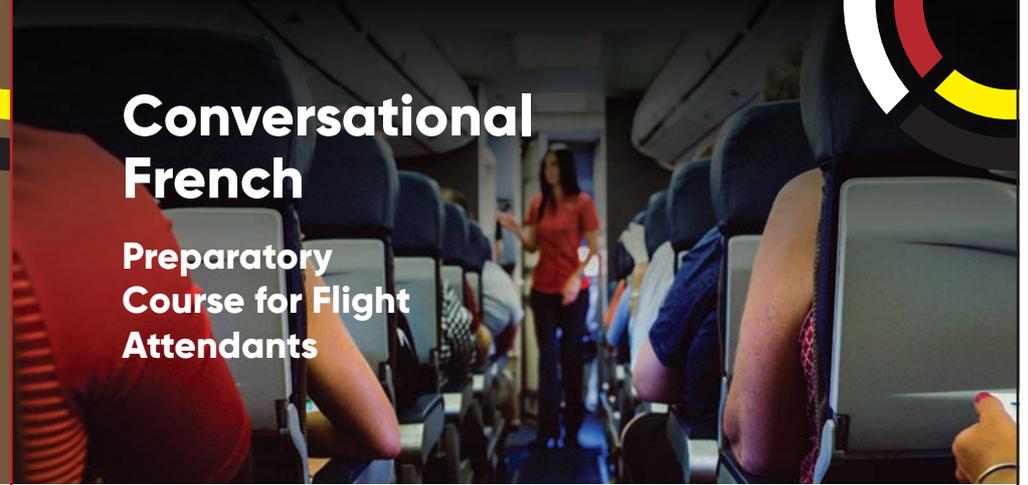
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Personal Support Worker Training



Conversational French

Preparatory Course for Flight Attendants



Anishinabek Employment and Training Services through Employment and Social Development Canada, Skills and Partnership Fund is pleased to offer the Personal Support Worker training in a 26 week specialized training program.

Entry level opportunities for graduates of this program is work within the Health care sector in hospitals, long term care facilities, and other providers as Personal Support Workers.

Our vision is to lead in the development of a skilled Aboriginal workforce, empowering the Anishinabek, respectful of our culture and heritage.

► Program Includes:

- 3 weeks Life skills beginning February 10, 2020 (weekdays).
- 23-week compressed PSW training program beginning March 2, 2020 in partnership with Confederation College.
- Including 3 community training placements for hands-on skills development.
- Providing theory, labs, project assignments and field world experience.
- Confederation College Certificate of Achievement upon successful completion.
- Elder and cultural supports provided.
- Tuition, books, supplies, travel, meals and accommodations supports provided (if required).

► Admission Requirements:

- 18 years of age.
- Grade 12 Ontario Secondary School Diploma or equivalent.
(i.e.: Mature Student Assessment, General Education Development Test (GED), ACE Credits.)
- Required: Grade 12 English (C/U) level
- Criminal reference Vulnerable Persons
- Up to date immunizations per program requirements

**Application Deadline:
January 20, 2020**

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► Program Includes:

- 3-week Life skills component begins March 2, 2020 (weekdays).
- 24-week Formal Classes begin March 23, 2020.
- Conversational French and field world experience.
- Confederation College "Recognition of Completion" and related certifications upon completion.
- Successful graduates can be offered positions with Air Canada Jazz.
- Elder and cultural supports.
- Tuition, training and allowance supports.

► Admission Requirements:

- 18 years of age
- Grade 12 Ontario Secondary School Diploma or equivalent.
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**Application Deadline:
February 7, 2020**



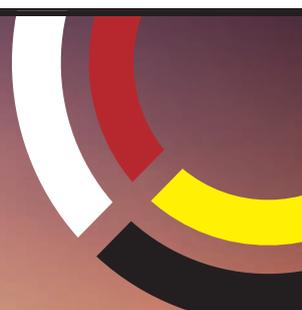
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Application Deadline:
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Start Date:
September 20, 2019

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