

Beyond the Bookshelf

PUBLIC LIBRARIES
OF SAGINAW



◆ Indicates registration required

April / 2024

Weekly Events:

Kindergarten Boot Camp

Zauel
Mondays – 10:30 a.m.

Tales for Twos Storytime

Zauel
Tuesdays – 10:30 a.m.
Repeats Thursdays – 10:30 a.m.

Preschool Storytime

Butman-Fish
Fridays – 10:30 a.m.

Preschool Storytime

Zauel
Saturdays – 10:30 a.m.

Events:

Great Reads Book Club

Hoyt
Monday, April 1 – 2:15 p.m.

An Evening of Poetry w/ Monica Rico

Hoyt
Monday, April 1 – 6:30 p.m.

Stranger Than Fiction

Barnes & Noble
Monday, April 1 – 7 p.m.

TOTALITY! Chasing the Shadow

Hoyt
Wednesday, April 3 – 6 p.m.

◆ Yoga at Hoyt Library

Hoyt
Thursday, April 4 – 5:45 p.m.

Friday Flicks

Butman-Fish
Friday, April 5 – 2 p.m.

"First Contact Day" Celebration

Zauel
Friday, April 5 – 2 p.m.

◆ Active Parenting Workshop for caregivers of K-12 children

Zauel
Saturday, April 6 – 9:30 a.m.

Family Solar Eclipse Party

Butman-Fish
Saturday, April 6 – 2 p.m.

Button and Magnet Making

Butman-Fish
Tuesday, April 9 – 4-6 p.m.

Butman-Fish Book Club

Butman-Fish
Tuesday, April 9 – 5:30 p.m.

◆ Continental Knitting

Zauel
Tuesday, April 9 – 6:30 p.m.

◆ Teen Poetry Night

Zauel
Wednesday, April 10 – 6:30 p.m.

Tech Tips for Beginners

Zauel
Thursday, April 11 – 3:30 p.m.

Spice Up Your Month

Hoyt
Saturday, April 13 – All Day

Needle Arts Club

Hoyt
Saturday, April 13 – 10 a.m.-Noon

Studio Storytime

Saginaw Art Museum
Saturday, April 13 – 12:30 p.m.

Swinging Thru the Stacks

Zauel
Saturday, April 13 – 1-3 p.m.

Great Lakes Bay Read Presents:

Angeline Bouley
Pit & Balcony Theatre
Saturday, April 13 – 7 p.m.
Doors open at 6:30 p.m.

◆ Tech Tutoring

Butman-Fish
Monday, April 15 – by appt.

Pages of History Book Club

Castle Museum
Tuesday, April 16 – Noon

Teen Blackout Poetry and Magnet Making

Hoyt
Wednesday, April 17 – 4 p.m.

Friends of the Butman-Fish Library Spring Book Sale

Butman-Fish
Friends Members Presale:
Wednesday, April 17: 4-6:30 p.m.
Public Sale:
Thursday, April 18: 11 a.m.-6:30 p.m.
Friday, April 19: 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
Saturday, April 20: 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

Book Ends Book Club

Zauel
Thursday, April 18 – 2 p.m.

Spring Gnome Take & Make

Hoyt
Saturday, April 20 – All Day

Together We Read

Hoyt
Saturday, April 20 – 2 p.m.

Care for Drinking Water

Hoyt
Monday, April 22 – 3:30 p.m.

◆ Fantastic Books and Where to Find Them

Zauel
Monday, April 22 – 6 p.m.

Adult Coloring

Zauel
Tuesday, April 23 – 6:30-8:30

◆ Adult Storytime

Hoyt
Wednesday, April 24 – 6 p.m.

Browsing Basics

Zauel
Thursday, April 25 – 3:30 p.m.

◆ Yoga at Hoyt Library

Hoyt
Thursday, April 25 – 5:45 p.m.

◆ Beginner's Computer Class

Hoyt
Saturday, April 27 – 11 a.m.

LEGOs at the Library

Butman-Fish
Saturday, April 27 – 3-4 p.m.

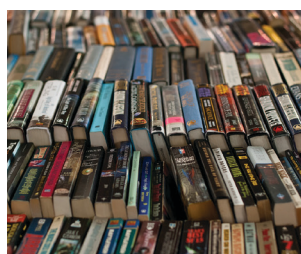
◆ Tech Tutoring

Butman-Fish
Monday, April 29 – by appt

◆ Cook the Book Club

Butman-Fish
Tuesday, April 30 – 5:30 p.m.

Butman-Fish Friends Spring Book Sale Runs April 17-20



The **Friends of the Public Libraries of Saginaw** are a group of advocates and volunteers who love our libraries! Money raised by the Friends through memberships, book sales and other activities helps to fund a wide range of library projects. Find out more by visiting www.saginawlibrary.org/about/friends-library. Help the **Butman-Fish Friends** by shopping for deals on used books, media and more at their annual **Spring Book Sale** at the library this **April 17-20!**

Member Presale: April 17: 4 to 6:30 p.m.
Memberships available at door

Public Sale: April 18: 11 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.
April 19: 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

\$3 Bag Sale: April 20: 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

From the Pages

The Lost Library

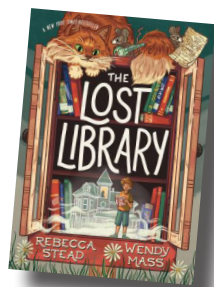
By **Rebecca Stead & Wendy Mass**
Children's Fiction
Recommended for Ages 8-12

This story is about a little free library that is guarded by a fluffy orange cat named Mortimer. The beautiful cover pulls you in and makes you want to know more. You will not be disappointed! It has been written for children but adults will enjoy this book also.

This is an endearing mystery told by a boy named Evan, a cat and a ghost librarian. A little free library appears suddenly in a small town right in front of the historical museum. Everyone is surprised and this begins to stir up memories of the fire that had burned down the public library many years prior. But not all want to talk about the mystery behind this happening. Evan decides to take a couple books from the new little library and those books lead him to investigate a connection between the past and the present. He has no idea of the life changing information he is about to discover. You will love meeting every single character in this book. Read it and you will see the power of a good book.

One of my favorite quotes from the book: "Being a Great Reader has nothing to do with reading great sophisticated books, or reading great long books, or even with reading a great many books. Being a Great Reader means feeling something about books."

Reviewed by **Michelle Zimostrad**
Butman-Fish Library



Award-Winning Poet to Speak at Hoyt

Michigan poet **Monica Rico**, a Hopwood-winning University of Michigan creative writing graduate from Saginaw, will help us launch a celebration of National Poetry Month at **Hoyt** on **Monday, April 1 at 6:30 p.m.** Rico will be reading from and discussing her debut collection, ***Pinion***, that explores love, capitalism and her Mexican-American heritage. The book was the winner of the Four Way Books Levis Prize in Poetry and came out in March. Rico is the Program Manager for the Bear River Writers' Conference and has published poems in *The Atlantic*, *The Academy of American Poets' Poem-A-Day*, *The Slowdown*, *Ecotone*, *The Nation*, *Gastronomica*, and *The Missouri Review*. Join us!



Public Libraries of Saginaw Poetry Contest

April is National Poetry Month and to celebrate, the Public Libraries of Saginaw is welcoming you to submit to our Poetry Contest! Whether you write in rhyme, converse in couplets, scrawl in sonnets or frolic with free verse, we want to see your best work!

Teens (ages 13-17) and Adults (18+) can submit their work to <https://saginawlibrary.librariesshare.com/saginawpoetry> between **April 1-30**. Winners will be selected by judges Colleen Alles and Maureen Hart from the Friends of Roethke.

- Poetry submissions will only be accepted online.
- ONE POEM PER PERSON may be submitted in this contest.
- Poems may be any subject matter but should avoid swearing or language that incites violence.
- Your poem must be no more than one page in length.
- Poems must be original and not previously published (self-published is acceptable).
- Authors retain copyright to their work.

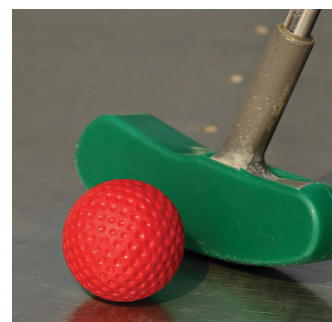


More Poetry Programs This April...

- The **Great Reads Book Club** at Hoyt will discuss ***Out of the Dust***, a novel in verse by Karen Hesse, on **April 1 at 2:15 p.m.**
- This month's **Teen Night** at Zauel, on **Wednesday, April 10 at 6:30 p.m.** has a poetry theme. Bring your favorite poem to read, and create your own! Please register online or call (989) 799-2771.
- At Hoyt's **Teen Blackout Poetry** and **Poetry Magnet** session on **Wednesday, April 17 at 4 p.m.**, we will use old print media to create our own meaningful poetry. As a bonus, we'll make our own personalized poetry magnets!

Swinging Thru the Stacks

While the pros are playing for the green jacket at Augusta, your family can join us for indoor mini golf at **Zauel** during **Swinging Thru the Stacks** on **Saturday, April 13 from 1-3 p.m.** We'll have nine holes of mini golf set up in our meeting room and around the children's side of the library. Enjoy the challenge of our unique book-themed obstacles, and see if you can make a hole in one!



Get Prepared for the Upcoming Solar Eclipse on April 8



On April 8, millions of people across the United States will see one of nature's most wondrous spectacles: a total eclipse of the Sun. Saginaw won't get the full effect of this eclipse, but we will see around 95% coverage of the sun during the event.

Join us at **Hoyt Library** on **Wednesday, April 3 at 6 p.m.** for **TOTALITY! Chasing the Shadow** with Delta College Planetarium's Mike Murray. He'll highlight what a solar eclipse is and how to get the most out of the experience, including where to see totality and how to view the sun safely.

Butman-Fish will host a **Family Solar Eclipse Party** on **Saturday, April 6 at 2 p.m.** Take a look at the solar system using our Virtual Reality technology. Older kids can enjoy our Augmented Reality experience. Plus, we'll have crafts, treats and stories for the whole family. All that attend will get a pair of solar eclipse glasses to use on April 8. All are welcome, but children under 7 will need an adult helper.

Zael Hosts Parenting Workshop for K-12 Caregivers



The challenge of successfully parenting children has always been among parents' hardest-won achievements. In the free **Active Parenting Workshop** at **Zael** on **Saturday, April 6**, you will learn a proven approach to parenting, plus indispensable techniques and insights for overcoming obstacles, that will bring happiness and harmony into your home. The workshop runs from **9:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m.** and will be most beneficial to caregivers of children in grades K-12.

The program is facilitated by Matthew Turner, a former school counselor, teacher, and administrator of 18 years. He has delivered this program to over 1,500 parents in communities worldwide. We'll cover topics like: learning effective discipline strategies; sidestepping power struggles; managing technology, screen time, and on-line safety; how to encourage responsibility; and building the tools of trust and communication.

Please register online at www.saginawlibrary.org/events or call (989) 799-2771.

"First Contact Day" Celebration



"First Contact Day" is a holiday in the **Star Trek** universe that commemorates when visitors from the planet Vulcan landed on Earth on April 5, 2063.

According to Trek, we still have 39 years to go before humans make first contact with our extraterrestrial friends, but that doesn't mean we can't nerd out and celebrate together this April 5!

Join us for a "**First Contact Day**" party at **Zael** on **Friday, April 5** from **2-4:30 p.m.** We'll have snacks, **Star Trek** trivia, and a free screening of the film that made it a thing: **Star Trek: First Contact** (1996, PG-13).

If independent, foreign and art house films are more your style, visit **Butman-Fish** **April 5 at 2 p.m.** for the latest in our **Friday Flicks** series, the documentary **Casting By** (2012, TV-14).

Kids Care for Drinking Water



Kids: join us for a fun hour celebrating Earth Day with the **Michigan Division of Environmental Health** at **Hoyt** on **Monday, April 22 at 3:30 p.m.** We'll learn about how to care for safe drinking water with a fun enviroscape demonstration, plus hands-on activities, a storytime, booklet and more!



Tech Help

Do you feel confident using your tech devices? If not, we aim to help! See the schedule on the front of this newsletter for upcoming technology classes, contact your local library or check online at www.saginawlibrary.org/events.

Now Available!



Hoopla Bonus Borrows

Enjoy Bonus Borrows more often! Titles in **hoopla's Bonus Borrow** program don't count against your monthly limit of 10 items. They are now available the last seven days of each month, starting the week of March 25-31. Check out this curated selection of TV shows, movies, comics and manga, eBooks and audiobooks without using your monthly borrows! See hoopladigital.com for more information.

See www.saginawlibrary.org/events for our full schedule of book clubs, tech classes, craft projects, Bookmobile stops & more!



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Branch Hours**Butman-Fish Library**

Monday-Thursday 11am-7pm

Friday & Saturday 9am-5pm

Hoyt Library

Monday-Thursday 9am-8pm

Friday & Saturday 9am-5pm

Wickes Library**New Spring Hours:**

Monday-Thursday Noon-4pm

Zauel Library

Monday, Tuesday, & Thursday 9am-9pm

Wednesday Noon-9pm

Friday & Saturday 9am-5pm

www.saginawlibrary.org

Together We Inspire . . .

An Evening with Angeline Bouley

The Public Libraries of Saginaw and Great Lakes Bay Read are excited to partner with Michigan Humanities to present **An Evening with Angeline Bouley** – author of the 2023-24 Great Michigan Read Selection *Firekeeper's Daughter* – at **Pit & Balcony Theatre**, 805 N. Hamilton St., **Saturday, April 13 at 7 p.m.!**

This event is free and open to the public. Seats will be available on a first-come, first-served basis. Doors will open at 6:30pm.

Angeline Bouley, an enrolled member of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians, is a storyteller who writes about her Ojibwe community in Michigan's Upper Peninsula. She is a former Director of the Office of Indian Education at the U.S. Department of Education. Angeline lives in southwest Michigan, but her home will always be on Sugar Island. *Firekeeper's Daughter* is her debut novel, and was an instant #1 NYT Bestseller.

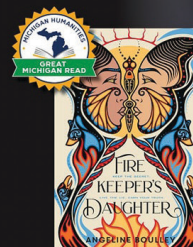
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Visiting Author:
Angeline Bouley

DATE
Saturday, April 13
at 7pm

LOCATION
Pit & Balcony
Theatre in Saginaw



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