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This is No Joke!

Greetings!

Happy April Fools! I have no joke for you (really!). What I have is a month chock-full of programs. Thank you to the people who responded with program ideas last month. Continue to let us know your ideas [here](#).

We start this week with two programs on Saturday. Our Un-Book Club at 11am (with a virtual option so you can stay home in your pjs) and then a Dungeons & Dragons game at 12:30. The Oscar-winning *Hamnet* will be shown Monday at 6pm.

The rest of the month includes a family STEM toy program, and open mic poetry night (April is National Poetry month), a Climate Film Fest for Earth Day, as well as our monthly programs of book discussions, Death Cafe, and Trivia Night. Details for each program are below.

National Library Week (April 19-25) is an annual celebration highlighting the valuable role libraries and library professionals. We have a display of books about libraries that we think you'll enjoy. Our goal is to be a vibrant community hub, connecting people to resources, sparking creativity, fueling imagination, and inspiring lifelong learning. Thank you for letting us serve you.

Hope to see you soon,

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Programs at a Glance

APRIL 2026



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	2 Arts & Crafts Club 2:30pm Friends Meeting 5:30pm	3 Let's Talk 10:15am	4 Un-Book Club 11am D&D 12:30pm
5	6 Lego Club 2:30pm Movie: Hamnet 6pm	7 Mah Jongg 12:30pm	8	9 Arts & Crafts Club 2:30pm	10 Let's Talk 10:15am Gaming Club 2:30pm	11 STEM Saturday 11am
12	13 Lego Club 2:30pm Library Trustees 7pm	14 Mah Jongg 12:30pm	15 Readers Cafe Book Discussion 1:30pm Open Mic Poetry 6pm	16 Arts & Crafts Club 2:30pm	17 Let's Talk 10:15am	18 Readers Cafe Book Discussion 9am
19	20 Lego Club 2:30pm	21 Mah Jongg 12:30pm	22 Climate Film Fest 5pm	23 Arts & Crafts Club 2:30pm	24 Let's Talk 10:15am Sourdough Class 11:30am Gaming Club 2:30pm	25 Dungeon Master Class Noon
26	27 Death Cafe 6pm	28 Mah Jongg 12:30pm	29 Trivia Night 6pm	30		

KEY: Purple =Kids Red=Adults Green=All ages

APRIL PROGRAMS



THIS SATURDAY: Dungeons & Dragons Game

Join us for a game of Dungeons and Dragons (D&D)! Game Master, Alena Lane, will lead us on an adventure which she has designed for beginners – so all experience levels are welcome. Even if you've never played before, this is a great way to give it a try!

Spots are limited, so please contact us to sign up. You can email Rebecca at rgoldstein@bethlehemnhlibrary.gov, give us a call at 603-869-2409, or register in person.

This program is for adults and teenagers (age 14 and up). A fun afternoon of collaborative storytelling!

Saturday April 4th 11am

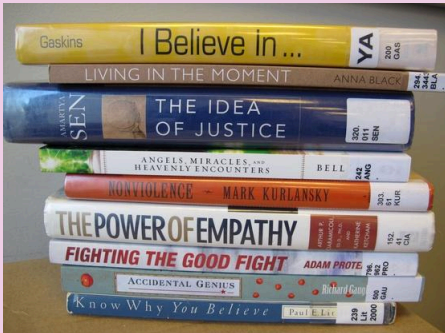


Family Event: STEM Saturday

Play with cool tech toys and more Engineering toys for all ages!

- Program Indi Cars using colors
- Create electricity with Snap Circuits
- Use Magna-Tiles for architectural marvels
- Make something go with Gears
- Get to know levers and pulleys
- And more!

Saturday, April 11th 11am-12:30pm



Open Mic Poetry Night

April is National Poetry Month! Join us for an evening of readings. Read original poems or favorite pieces. Listeners are encouraged and welcome too.

If you plan to read, please let us know. Sign up at the library, call us, or use the form or the QR code.

Form: <https://bit.ly/47zibFr>

Wednesday, April 15th 6pm



Sourdough 101

April from Ashes-to-Beauty Homestead will teach the basics of sourdough: types of flour, how to begin, dough folding techniques and more. She'll give you a great foundation so you can have success at home. Participants go home with their own starter, and other goodies! This program is part of our Simple Living series.

Reservations required: call to reserve your spot. This program is for Bethlehem residents & library cardholders only

Friday, April 24th 11:30am-1:30pm



So You Wanna be a DM?

Learn how to run your own Dungeons and Dragons game in this special panel event! We'll discuss the basics of wrangling together your first game, how to be the bad guy (in a fun way), and how the heck you keep everything straight.

Featuring local Dungeon Masters: Alena Lane, John Correira, and David Munroe (from the Fantasy Pants podcast)

Saturday, April 25th Noon

More Programs for Adults



Oscar-Winning Movie: **Hamnet**

Monday, April 6th 6pm

A story of love and loss between William Shakespeare and his wife Jessie. This movie had been previously postponed. Bring your own snacks.



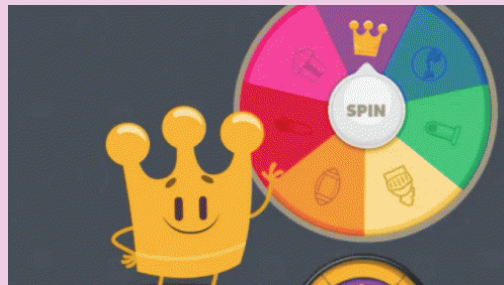
Climate Future Film Festival **Wednesday, April 22nd 5-7pm**

Award-winning drama, documentary, comedy, and animation explore a range of responses to our many possible climate futures: optimism and cynicism, climate denial and climate grief, rage and heartbreak, resilience and resolve. Ten short films. Stay for one, or stay for all.



Death Cafe **Monday, April 27th 6pm**

A respectful and confidential place to discuss death, with no agenda, objective or theme. Refreshments will be served.



Trivia Night **Wednesday, April 29th 6pm**

Join our monthly Trivia Night! Come alone or with a group. All ages welcome for this friendly competition.

Ongoing Programs

Tuesdays 12:30-2:30pm **Mah Jongg** All abilities welcome!

Fridays 10:15-11:30am **Let's Talk Discussion Group**

- 4/3 Social Media
- 4/10 What do you wish someone would invent?
- 4/17 Bugs
- 4/24 Why/how did your family immigrate to the US?



For Readers



Un-Book Club

Saturday, April 4th 11am

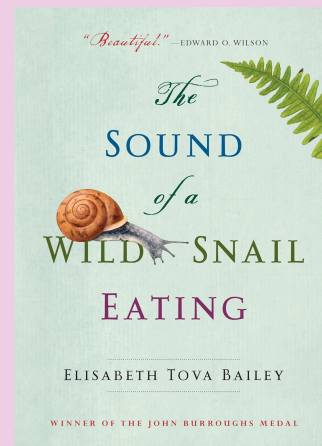
Want to talk about books, but short on time? This is the book club for YOU! No required reading! Come as you are, and talk about what you've been reading! Come away with awesome book recommendations! We have coffee!

Want even less pressure? Join us via Google Meet (you can stay in your PJs!)

Google Meet joining info and QR

Video call link: <https://meet.google.com/ditonus-khv>

Or dial: (US) +1 954-947-7859 PIN: 964 354 854#



Reader's Cafe Book Club

Wednesday, April 15th 1:30pm AND

Saturday, April 18th 9am

Same Book - Two Convenient Times!

This month we discuss *The Sound of a Wild*

Snail Eating by Elisabeth Tova Bailey

In a work that beautifully demonstrates the rewards of closely observing nature, Elisabeth

Tova Bailey shares an inspiring and intimate

story of her encounter with a *Neohelix* *albolabris*—a common woodland snail.

A remarkable journey of survival and resilience, showing us how a small part of the natural world can illuminate our own human existence, while providing an appreciation of what it means to be fully alive.

[Click here for more Readers Cafe information](#)

For Kids



Lego Club
Mondays 2:30-3:30pm
Best for ages 5-12



Arts & Crafts Club
Thursdays 2:30-3:30pm
Best for ages 5-12



Gaming Club
Every other Friday 2:30-4pm
For ages 10 and up
April 10th & 24th

Extra Bonus! Attraction Passes!

Many thanks to the Friends of Bethlehem Public Library for purchasing passes for our patrons! All the details are [here!](#)



NH State Parks Pass
Good for two adults and up to four dependents.



Fairbanks Museum & Planetarium
Good for two adults and their children or grandchildren under age 17

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information geared toward adults with children ages 2-5.

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