

ISSUE 6



THE BERKLEY BUZZ

FALL 2023

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MESSAGE FROM THE CITY MANAGER



I have written in the past about my love of the fall season. It has cooler weather, my favorite sports, colorful leaves, and I get to send my kids back to school again.

Fall continues some updates to our City services in an effort to better align them to our revenues. Our dedicated public servants are working hard to adjust to changes as well as answer your questions, so please extend kindness to them. Our goal remains to provide high-level service at a lower cost.

The upcoming curbside leaf collection will be a display of this efficiency in action. We have set this program to run **Nov. 6-24**, when falling leaves tend to be at their heaviest. As with past years, leaves at the curb will be collected at no additional charge. Bagged and canned yard waste will still require a tag for pickup during this period.

These changes can be difficult, but I would like to thank community members who have taken the time to learn how we previously funded these services, the challenges we now face and the “why” behind making tough but necessary updates to our services.

Matt Baumgarten, Berkley City Manager



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Berkley Historical Museum

ANGELL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PLAQUE DEDICATED

On Friday, May 19, students, parents, Berkley School District Superintendent Scott Francis, Angell Elementary School Principal Vince Gigliotti and members of the Berkley Historical Committee met at Angell Elementary School to commemorate the school's 100-plus years of educating Berkley students as well as the hundreds of faculty members and staff who gave life to the school's brick and mortar.

Angell Elementary School is the second-oldest continuously operating school in Oakland County, opening on Nov. 29, 1921. Roosevelt School in Keego Harbor opened one year earlier.

The Berkley Historical Committee wanted to recognize the school's many years and began working with Superintendent Francis, Principal Gigliotti and Director of Communications Jessica Stilger to obtain a

commemorative plaque for the occasion.

The Berkley Historical Committee initially pursued a state of Michigan historical marker, but restrictions on future building modifications prompted the committee to pursue another option. The result is the plaque you see in the photo below.

Funds to purchase the plaque came from the former Berkley High School Alumni Association, which disbanded in 2021. The association decided to donate the funds in its treasury to the Berkley Historical Committee to preserve Berkley's history. With their approval, the committee allocated these funds for the purchase of the James B. Angell School commemorative plaque.

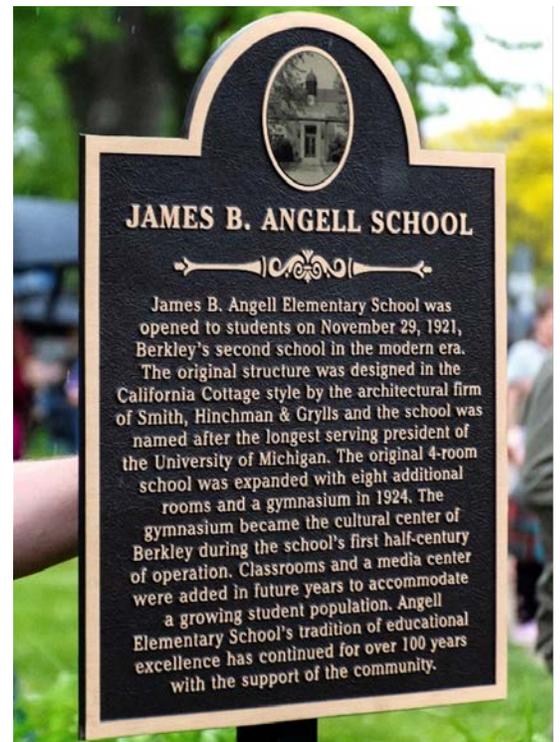
A plaque commemorating Pattengill Elementary School's years of service is in the planning stages.



Angell Elementary School's tradition of educational excellence has continued for over 100 years with the support of the community."



Principal Vince Gigliotti Unveils Plaque



Commemorative Plaque

MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR



As we prepare to welcome a new season and new opportunities, I want to take this time to thank our countless residents who are committed to preserving the quality of life that makes Berkley so special. Whether it's volunteering at one of our many events, sharing your thoughts at a City Council meeting or serving on a City Board or Commission, you are making a positive difference in our community.

If you're not already engaging with the City and wondering how to do so, I encourage you to check out our various Boards and Commissions. From the Downtown Development Authority and Planning Commission to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board and Library Board, there's something for everyone.

Board and Commission members support City operations and initiatives, provide critical perspective on important matters and serve as ambassadors in their neighborhoods. For more information about our Boards and Commissions, their requirements and how to apply, visit berkleymich.org/boards_and_commissions.

If serving on a Board or Commission isn't your thing, I encourage you to attend City Council meetings to share whatever is on your heart and mind. The City Council meets at 7 p.m. on the first and third Monday of each month except July-September, when it meets once a month. The meeting schedule and agendas are available at berkleymich.org.

When you're not able to get to a Council meeting, please feel free to share your thoughts with the City Council at council@berkleymich.net.

As always, I encourage you to stay informed and engaged with the City by signing up for our monthly e-newsletter and following us on social media. Visit berkleymich.org/stay_informed for details.

Bridget Dean, Berkley Mayor



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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

CONTACT INFORMATION

3238 Bacon Ave., Berkley, MI 48072
(248) 658-3390 phone | (248) 658-3391 fax
publicworks@berkleymich.net

Yard Waste Service Changes

A reminder **yard waste tags** are required for each yard waste bag and can every week through the rest of the pickup season, which ends Dec. 15.

Yard waste tags are available for purchase at City Hall and the Library during normal business hours and Public Safety 24/7. Tags cost \$3 each, or 4 for \$10. They're also available at Durst Ace Hardware. Tags are not available at Public Works.

Please note: There's a \$1.50 credit card fee at City Hall, and the Library and Public Safety accept only cash or check.

Yard waste tags from previous years may not be used since they expire after each pickup season.

Curbside leaf collection will take place this fall. Residents can place loose leaves curbside Nov. 6-24 for collection.

For more information about the yard waste tag system and curbside leaf pickup, visit berkleymich.org/yardwaste.

Chipper service is no longer available. Residents will now have to arrange for private chipping service at their own expense to dispose of brush that does not meet the City's yard waste guidelines. For details, visit berkleymich.org/yardwaste.



Paperless billing signup

Starting this fall, we will offer paperless billing for residents to receive their water and sewer invoice via email. To sign up for paperless billing, please fill out this form: form.jotform.com/231374466768165.

Away for the winter?

If you plan to leave Berkley this winter for a warmer climate or need to be away for an extended period of time any time of the year, make sure to sign up for automatic payment of your water bill or contact the Public Works Department to temporarily change your mailing address. Be sure to let us know when you return so we can update your mailing address.

Sign up for auto pay at berkleymich.org/departments/public_works/utilitybills.php. Contact DPW at publicworks@berkleymich.net or (248) 658-3490.

Please note: the U.S. Postal Service will not forward water bills, so you'll still need to temporarily change your mailing address with DPW to receive your bill at your preferred location.

The water to your property can be shut off at the curb stop to help limit concerns about freezing pipes while you are away. Please contact DPW to make this request.

Lead service line replacement

Did you know we offer a lead service line replacement program that enables homeowners to get their lead or galvanized steel service line replaced at no cost? For tips on how to identify the material your water service line is made of as well as steps to follow if you determine it's a lead pipe, visit berkleymich.org/cleanwater.

UPDATED AS OF JULY 2023

YARD WASTE COLLECTION SCHEDULE

Yard Waste / Compost

(July 1 - December 15, 2023)

YARD WASTE TAGS ARE REQUIRED

TAGS CAN BE PURCHASED FOR \$3.00 EACH, OR 4 FOR \$10.00 AT CITY HALL , THE LIBRARY AND PUBLIC SAFETY.

Paper bags or cans **ONLY** - Bags and cans **MUST BE UNDER** 32 gallons and 50lbs each to be collected on your trash day. Cans need to be identified as containing "Yard Waste" or "Compost".



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Fall Curbside Leaf Pick-Up

To learn more about the change visit:
www.berkleymich.org/yardwaste.



Off Season

(December 26, 2023 - March, 2024)

During the offseason **ONLY** yard waste in paper bags may be taken at **NO CHARGE:** to SOCRRA located at 995 Coolidge, Troy, MI 48084 (across from the Meijer gas station). There is a 10 bag limit.



For any additional questions, please call Berkley's Department of Public Works at **248-658-3490**, or visit our website at **www.berkleymich.org/dpw** for complete garbage rules and regulations.

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE

CONTACT INFORMATION

3338 Coolidge Hwy., Berkley, MI 48072
(248) 658-3310 | clerk@berkleymich.net

Your Vote Counts

The general election will take place on **Tuesday, Nov. 7**. Voters will be asked to elect one Mayor and three City Councilmembers.

Absentee ballots will be mailed at the end of September. If you do not receive an absentee ballot and/or would like one, please contact the City Clerk's Office at clerk@berkleymich.net or **(248) 658-3310**.

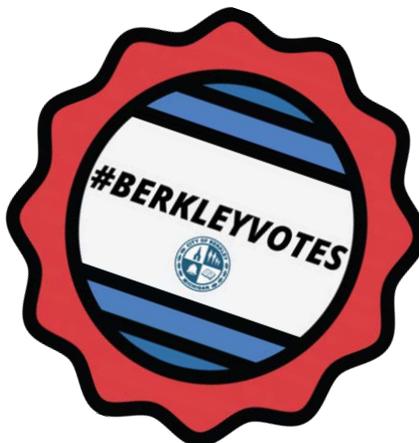
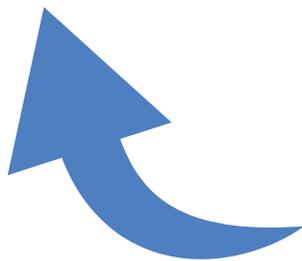
Sample ballots for the general election also will be available in late September at mvic.sos.state.mi.us and the City Clerk's Office.

The City Clerk's Office continues to implement the policies and procedures outlined in Michigan Proposal 2, which was passed by voters in 2022. Changes already in place for all Berkley voters as a result of this constitutional amendment include:

- Return postage included on **all** official election mail.
- Checkbox for voters to join the new permanent absentee ballot list. This enables voters to skip the absentee ballot application process and directly receive an absentee ballot.

Anyone interested in becoming an election worker is invited to contact the City Clerk's Office by emailing clerk@berkleymich.net, calling **(248) 658-3310** or stopping by City Hall during regular business hours. Registered voters in the state of Michigan are encouraged to apply along with students 16 and older.

Learn more about voting in Berkley at berkleymich.org/vote.





Berkley Barks – and Meows

Pet licenses are required for all dogs and cats in Berkley who are older than 4 months. Each pet license is \$8 per year, with an additional \$8 fee if the pet is not spayed or neutered.

Please submit a completed application and proof of rabies vaccination by mail or in person to City Hall. All licenses and permits are available by visiting berkleymich.org/departments/city_clerk and clicking on "Documents & Permits" on the left.



Winter in Brrrrrkley

Snowplow season is almost here!

Please note: Snowplow operators must be licensed in the City of Berkley. Licenses are \$25 each and may be obtained by visiting the City Clerk's Office. The approval process takes about seven business days. All licenses are valid for one calendar year.

PARKS AND RECREATION YOUTH PROGRAMS

(248) 658-3470 | parks@berkleymich.net
recreation.berkleymich.org
Facebook.com/BerkleyParksandRec

Parent-Tot Playgroup

Explore a variety of activities with your child with a new theme each week. This class includes arts, crafts, music and interactive games that everyone can participate in.

Instructor: TBD

Add a sibling for just \$20

Age: 1-3 yrs.

Date: Tuesdays TBD

Time: 9:30 - 11:00 am

Cost: \$70 Resident \$75 Non-Resident



Educators accommodate powerful and enjoyable music and movement activities for all stages of development, so that everyone is comfortable, engaged, and learning! Families build connections, grownups learn ideas for music exploration and play at home, and there's room for everyone to grow. Tuition includes streaming books and music access. This semester covers two different units, Around the Farm and Home Sweet Home.

Age: Mixed age 0 - 7 yrs.

Date: October 2, Monday

Time: 9:30 - 10:15 am and 10:30 - 11:15 am

Cost: \$150 Resident and Non-Resident



Pillo Polo

Boys and Girls don't miss out on this great floor-hockey type team sport! Hockey rules with foam sticks & ball.

Team: Bears - 7 weeks of practice/6 weeks of games

Age: K-1st grade

Date: Practice, October 2, Mondays

Time: Practice, 4:00 - 4:30 pm

Game: 4:00 - 4:45 pm, Fridays beginning October 6

Cost: \$65 Resident \$70 Non-Resident

Team: Wings - 7 weeks of practice/6 weeks of games

Age: K-1st grade

Date: Practice, October 3, Tuesdays

Time: Practice, 4:45 - 5:15 pm

Game: 4:00 - 4:45 pm, Fridays beginning October 6

Cost: \$65 Resident \$70 Non-Resident

Team: Spartans - 7 weeks of practice/6 weeks of games

Age: 2-3rd grade

Date: Practice, October 3, Tuesdays

Time: Practice, 4:00 - 4:45 pm

Game: 5:00 - 5:45 pm, Fridays beginning October 6

Cost: \$75 Resident \$80 Non-Resident

Team: Wolverines - 7 weeks of practice/6 weeks of games

Age: 2-3rd grade

Date: Practice, October 2, Mondays

Time: Practice, 4:30 - 5:15 pm

Game: 5:00 - 5:45 pm, Fridays beginning October 6

Cost: \$75 Resident \$80 Non-Resident

YOUTH PROGRAMS

recreation.berkleymich.org

Certified Babysitter/CPR/ First Aid

Topics include: First aid, when and how to call 911, CPR with manikin practice, choking, and more! Students who successfully complete the course requirements are certified in Babysitter Safety, CPR and First Aid.

Instructor: Live Safe Academy

Age: 9-16 yrs.

Date: September 10, Sunday

Time: 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

Cost: \$70 Resident \$75 Non-Resident

*Class held at HW Rec Center

Date: September 10

Certified Pet Sitter add on

Time: 3:00 - 4:00 pm

Cost: \$15

Date: October 3, Tuesday

Time: 5:30 - 8:30 pm

Cost: \$50 Resident \$55 Non-Resident

*Class held at Berkley Community Center

Self Defense for Children

This fun, interactive and age appropriate workshop teaches essential, lifesaving information about the threats facing our children, strategies for prevention and real-world techniques designed to reduce their risk of abductions, assaults and other forms of violence.

Instructor: Live Safe Academy

*Class held at HW Rec Center



Age: 6-10 yrs.

Date: October 10, Tuesday

Time: 5:30 - 6:30 pm

Cost: \$20 Resident \$25 Non-Resident

Sanchin Ryu Karate for Kids & Families

Family: A Parent AND Child program for ages 4 and up. Set in a fun, non-competitive and informative atmosphere, this program allows parents to learn alongside their children.

Kids: Students will be trained with proven, age-appropriate techniques that are necessary for kids to protect themselves from attackers.

Instructor: Sanchin Systems



Date: September 7, Thursdays

October 19

Time: 6:00 - 6:45 pm *K-8th grade class

6:45 - 7:30 pm *Family class 4 & Up

Cost: Family: \$60 Resident & Non-Resident

K- 8th Grade: \$30 Resident & Non-Resident





CELEBRATING 75 YEARS OF YOUTH SPORTS

The Berkley Dads' Club offers youth baseball in the Summer for 4-16 year olds and Fall to kids ages 8-16.

- ⊗ Summer Registration opens in January ⊗
- ⊗ Fall Registration opens in July ⊗

The Berkley Cubs Travel program is also part of the BDC and has teams ranging from 8U to 15U for the 2023 Season. The Berkley Dads' Club along with the Berkley Cubs host the Berkley Summer Classic Baseball Tournament during the last weekend in June.

THE BERKLEY DADS' CLUB IS A PROUD SUPPORTER OF BERKLEY PARKS & REC
get connected:  @BerkleyDadsClub

YOUTH & ADULT

TENNIS & PICKLEBALL

FALL LESSONS

First Serve LLC

FOR CLASS INFORMATION AND TO REGISTER VISIT:

recreation.berkleymich.org

*Pickleball classes - adult only

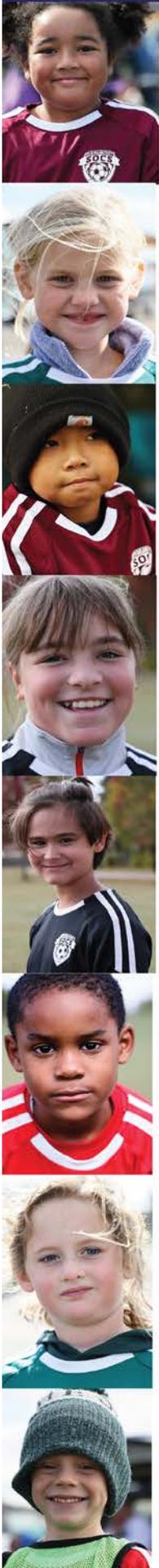


TALE ON THE TRAIL

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 19TH

SAVE THE DATE
REGISTRATION REQUIRED
COSTUMES ARE ENCOURAGED

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OFFERING RECREATIONAL SOCCER PROGRAMS IN BERKLEY ALL YEAR LONG!

FALL SOCCER

RECREATIONAL SOCCER FOR AGES 2-19

Fall 2023 season starts in September. Visit our website to see our program offerings!

>> Late Registration Continues Through August <<

DCFC WINTER REC ACADEMY

Looking for a FUN soccer environment with a strong emphasis on skill development for your rec soccer player? Look no further! Our Detroit City FC South Oakland Winter Rec Academy is specifically tailored for ALL recreational players REGARDLESS of club/program affiliation

Ages:
U4-U7
U8-U10
U11-U15

**VISIT SOC SFC.COM AND CLICK ON
'CAMPS AND CLINICS' FOR MORE
DETAILS!**

SPRING SOCCER

RECREATIONAL SOCCER FOR AGES 2-19

Spring Soccer registration will begin in December, please sign up by March 1 before Late Registration! >> Season begins in April! <<

WWW.SOC SFC.COM

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YOUTH PROGRAMS

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Tumble Tots

This program will provide toddlers and preschoolers with an opportunity to explore a wide variety of basic tumbling apparatus like springboard, balance beam, large and small gross motor mats, trampoline and more.
*Parent participation required.

Instructor: Jump-A-Rama

Age: 1-2 yrs. & 3-4 yrs.

Date: September 14, Thursdays
November 2

Time: 10:00 - 10:50 am 1-2 yrs.
11:00 - 11:50 am 3-4 yrs.

Cost: \$85 Resident \$90 Non-Resident



Gymnastics

Each child is given the opportunity to explore a wide variety of apparatus, such as basic tumbling skills, springboard activities, balance beam, gymnastic jumps and trampoline exercises. This six-week program will provide your child with progressive skills that will encourage self-confidence and coordination!

Instructor: Jump-A-Rama

Age: 3-5 yrs. & K-5th Grade

Date: September 14, Thursdays
November 2

Time: 4:00 - 5:50 pm 3-5 yrs.
5:00 - 5:50 pm K-5th Grade

Cost: \$85 Resident \$90 Non-Resident

Youth Sports Contacts

Berkley Dad's Club
David Schmidt
www.berkleydadsclub.org



Berkley Hoops
Scott Rowlett (248) 229-3420
www.berkleyhoops.com



Berkley Mom's Club
Corrina Campbell (248) 255-6263
www.berkleyssoftball.com



Berkley Steelers Cheer
Michelle Rowlett (248) 224-2743
www.berkleysteelers.net



Berkley Steelers Football
Andrew Hadfield (248) 506-2464
www.berkleysteelers.net

South Oakland County Soccer
Mike Egnotovich
www.socsfc.com



Friends of Berkley



Parks & Recreation

The Friends of Berkley Parks and Recreation is a non-profit organization consisting of community members working to enhance and promote Berkley's recreation facilities & parks.

CHECK US OUT ON FACEBOOK!



For more info or to volunteer, please contact us at:

friendsofberkleypandr@gmail.com

Berkley Steelers
Travel Youth Football & Cheerleading
Registration
www.berkleysteelers.net

Flag - 6/7 yrs
Freshman - 8/9 yrs
JV - 10/11 yrs
Varsity - 12/13 yrs
*All Sept 1, 2023

8/27 @ Troy Cowboys
9/2 Home vs. Royal Oak Titans
9/9 Home vs. Roseville Broncos
9/16 Away @ Chesterfield Chargers
9/23 Away @ Birmingham Patriots
9/30 Away @ U of M Stadium / Wolverines
10/8 Home vs. Romeo Bulldogs
10/15 Home vs. Shelby Lions

FOR MORE INFO
Cheer GM - Michelle Rowlett - 248-224-2743
berkleysteelercheer@gmail.com
Football GM - Andrew Hadfield 248-506-2464
berkleysteelersfbc@gmail.com

ADULT PROGRAMS

ZUMBA

September 11, Mondays

October 30

6:15 - 7:00 pm

\$66 residents

\$71 non-residents

\$12 drop-in

YOGA BLEND

September 12, Tuesdays

October 24

6:00 - 6:55 pm

\$50 residents

\$55 non-residents

\$9 drop-in

PIYO

For future start dates and more information visit recreation.berkleymich.org

Self Defense for Women

Can you defend yourself against a violent attack? Do you have the knowledge, skill and confidence to defend your family? You don't have to spend years training in an expensive program. Learn simple, lifesaving skills from programs designed to increase your safety after only one class! Our hands-on courses teach time-tested, realistic methods that are easy to learn and remember. Designed to be safe, this course instills confidence by building on success.

Date: October 10, Tuesday

Time: 6:30 - 8:30 pm

Cost: \$35 residents

\$40 non-residents

Class will be held at the Gillham Recreation Center in Huntington Woods

Sanchin Ryu Karate for Adults & Teens

Specifically designed to address personal-protection concerns, this program instructs a broad range of strikes, combinations, footwork and defense tactics. Receive specialized training on how to deal with, get out of, and counter a multitude of grabs and attack scenarios. Learn how to use the whole body for power, making the most of your size and strength (regardless of athletic ability).

Date: September 7, Thursdays

October 19

Time: 7:30 - 8:30 pm

Cost: \$40 residents \$45 non residents

Beginner Tai Chi

Learn Wu Style Tai Chi Chuan, an invigorating exercise for health and peace of mind. Careful practice will improve coordination and increase relaxation. Improve your health and concentration and learn to deal with stress more effectively.

Date: September 6, Wednesdays

October 18

Time: 6:00 - 7:00 pm

Cost: \$45 residents \$50 non-residents

\$9 Drop-in

SMOTC DOG OBEDIENCE CLASSES

AKC Star Puppy

Introduction to Dog Obedience

Advanced/Intermediate Dog Obedience

Therapy Dog Prep & Evaluation



SENIOR SPOTLIGHT

Day Trips

September 12 Genitti's Hole-In-The-Wall
September 13 Senior Day at the Detroit Zoo
September 28 Funny Girl - Fisher Theatre
October 25 Moriarty - Meadowbrook Theatre

Casino Trips

September 7 Hollywood Casino/Greektown
October 11 MGM Casino
November 6 Hollywood Casino/Greektown
December 11 MGM Casino

Themed Bingo Games

September 19 Fall Fun Bingo Celebration
November 14 Turkey Day Bingo Bash

Zumba Gold®

Perfect For:

Active older adults who are looking for a modified Zumba® class that recreates the original moves you love at a lower-intensity.

Date: September 11, Mondays
October 23

Time: 10:00 am - 10:50 am

Cost: \$66 (6 weeks)
\$12 Drop-In

Senior Fitness

This class will improve circulation through range of motion, building strength, balance, flexibility and coordination. Most exercises are done seated on the chair but you will be taking your cardio up in the beginning of each class. Balls (provided) and weights (provided) are implemented throughout class.

Tuesdays	Fridays
Date: September 12	September 15
Time: 9:30 - 10:30 am	
Cost: \$3 per class	



TRIVIA TUESDAYS

GRAB SOME FRIENDS AND COME AND TEST YOUR KNOWLEDGE. TRIVIA TUESDAY WILL FEATURE 6 ROUNDS OF QUESTIONS, THREE BONUS ROUNDS, PRIZES AND A WHOLE LOT OF FUN.

OCTOBER 31 - COME IN COSTUME
DECEMBER 5

12:30 PM

\$15 PER PERSON - LUNCH INCLUDED



REGISTER FOR FALL PROGRAMS:
RECREATION.BERKLEYMICH.ORG



Berkley Area

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

CONTACT INFORMATION

Darlene Rothman, Executive Director | darlene@berkleychamber.com | berkleychamber.com
P.O. Box 72-1253, Berkley, MI 48072

Berkley Kit Homes Tour, Sept. 30

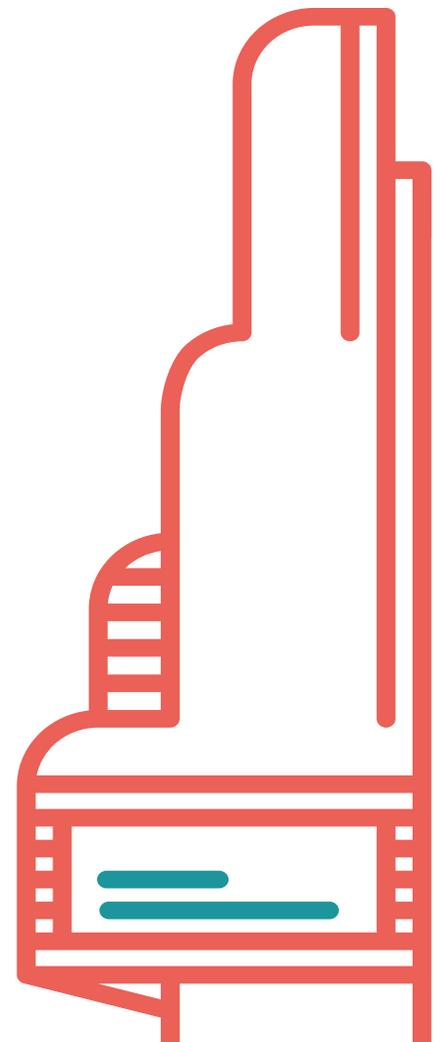
Did you know 100 years ago you could order a home from a Sears catalog? In today's terms, it's like ordering something from Amazon. These homes were shipped to you in a train boxcar and every piece of lumber was labeled. You would receive detailed plans on how to put those pieces together. They sent you everything you needed, including the nails. Berkley has over 50 Sears catalog homes still standing! The Berkley Kit Homes Tour celebrates these homes across our great city. This one-of-a-kind event takes place Saturday, Sept. 30. More details coming soon – visit berkleychamber.com/Kit_Homes_Tour.

State of the Cities / Best of Berkley Awards, October

State of the Cities provides an opportunity for local government entities, including the City of Berkley, City of Huntington Woods, Berkley School District, Berkley Downtown Development Authority and Berkley Area Chamber of Commerce, to report to the community about the accomplishments and challenges of the past year and talk about what's coming up in the next year. In addition, the Chamber honors businesspeople and organizations who are supportive of the community. A date for this event hasn't yet been set. Visit berkleychamber.com for an update as October draws near.

Introducing the Berkley Bullhorn

Powered by the Berkley Area Chamber of Commerce, the Berkley Bullhorn amplifies new business ribbon cuttings, upcoming events, behind-the-scenes features of local business owners, Berk Perk discounts and more. Visit berkleychamber.com/Berkley_Bullhorn.



Berkley

PUBLIC LIBRARY

(248) 658-3440 | library@berkleymich.net
berkley.lib.mi.us
Facebook: @BerkleyPublicLibrary



ADULTS

An Introduction to Mindfulness Meditation

Wednesday, Sept. 6 at 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, Nov. 1 at 6:30 p.m.

Most people tend to live their lives with a wandering mind, worried or consumed by past or future events. This introduction to meditation tries to open up a world of the present moment – the most important time of our lives. We will start with a short introduction, followed by a 30-minute guided sitting meditation, then close the session with questions, answers and interesting experiences. Session led by Greg Sherburn. Register at <http://berkleylib.evanced.info/signup/calendar>.

Afternoon Book Club

Tuesday, Sept. 12 at 12:30 p.m.

"Rebecca" by Daphne du Maurier

Tuesday, Oct. 12 at 12:30 p.m.

"The Henna Artist" by Alka Joshi

Tuesday, Nov. 14 at 12:30 p.m.

"Tara Road" by Maeve Binchy

Tuesday, Dec. 12 at 12:30 p.m.

"Nutshell" by Ian McEwan

Register at <http://berkleylib.evanced.info/signup/calendar>.

Ken Kunkel & Friends

Wednesday, Sept. 27 at 6:30 p.m.

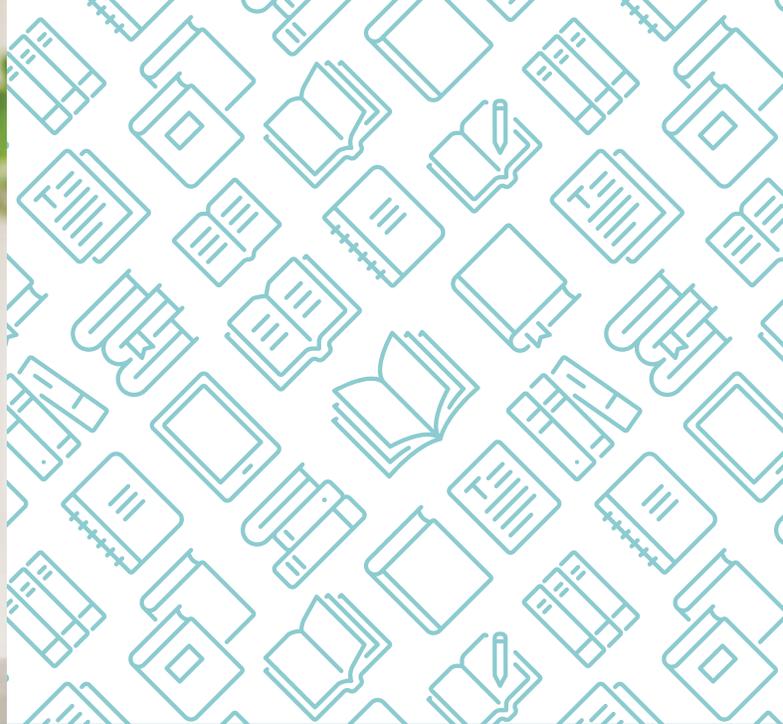
Ken Kunkel, in conjunction with the Berkley Library, is hosting a series of concerts featuring local musicians. We are honored to have the Tigani Brothers, Andy (Bones) and Cary (Bear), as our first guests. You might hear anything from Fleetwood Mac's "Rhiannon" to an acoustic version of a Tool song. But one thing is for sure: You are going to be hearing some good music. Registration optional at <http://berkleylib.evanced.info/signup/calendar>.

Composting for Busy Lives

Monday, Aug. 14 at 6:30 p.m.

Join Sara Covatta of the Suburban Rat Hater's Guide to Composting for an informative event to explore the pros and cons of different at-home composting methods. She'll take a deeper dive into the Bokashi method, address common concerns and explain the importance of utilizing fall leaves. Sponsored by the Friends of Berkley Library. Registration optional at <http://berkleylib.evanced.info/signup/calendar>.





Story Exchange

Wednesday, Sept. 13 at 6:30 p.m.

Do you ever feel the desire to connect with your community and step outside of your silo? Come share and hear stories, which are an essential foundation for authentic human relationships where people are free to show up as their fullest selves and where our differences form a bridge, not a divide. Join Narrative 4, a global nonprofit, which uses storytelling and the arts to foster connection and build community. Participants will be guided to share their stories with a partner and hear their stories told back to them in the first-person. Participants then reflect on the Story Exchange as a group, discovering newfound truths, insights and an untapped capacity for compassion and connection. The N4 Story Exchange builds four essential life skills: curiosity, imagination, deep listening and positive action. Sponsored by the Friends of Berkley Library. Register at <http://berkleylib.evanced.info/signup/calendar>.

Chamber Music Concert: Passport to Europe

Presented by the Terra Voce Ensemble
Thursday, Sept. 21 at 7 p.m. at Berkley First, 2820 12 Mile Road

The Terra Voce Ensemble (clarinet, violin, cello and piano) invites music enthusiasts to take a musical journey to Europe! The chamber music program is designed for music lovers with varied experience and backgrounds. The concert takes the audience to Vienna with “Tales from Vienna Woods” by Johann Strauss Jr. and to Eastern Europe with “Slavonic

Dances” by Antonin Dvorak. Other featured composers are from France (Darius Milhaud and Jules Massenet) and Russia (Anton Arensky). The program includes favorite opera arias by composers from Austria, Italy and France. Sponsored by the Friends of the Berkley Public Library. The program is free, but registration is requested at LFDean2@gmail.com.

Origami Club

Monday, Oct. 2, Nov. 6 and Dec. 4 at 5:30 p.m.

If you’re interested in origami or are a seasoned folder, stop by the Library’s new origami club! This club provides an opportunity to learn and explore with like-minded individuals. The club meets the first Monday of every month. Registration optional at <http://berkleylib.evanced.info/signup/calendar>.



ADULTS CONT.

Organize For Success!

Tuesday, Oct. 10 at 6:30 p.m.

Join Emilie Rivard of Organize Step By Step to get fundamental and concrete guidance toward creating the space you love. We will talk about how to start, how to keep it going, making decisions and creating sustainable change. Sponsored by the Friends of Berkley Library. Registration optional at <http://berkleylib.evanced.info/signup/calendar>.

LGBTQ+ Book Club

Monday, Oct. 16 at 6:30 p.m.

Calling all rainbow readers and allies! This book club is for anyone who wants to see themselves represented in courageous and tenacious stories of the LGBTQ+ community. We'll read "The Price of Salt" by Patricia Highsmith. Read the book ahead of time and bring a question and favorite quote to prompt some colorful conversation. Category is reading rainbow realness! Register at <http://berkleylib.evanced.info/signup/calendar>.



Ken Kunkel & Friends

Wednesday, Oct. 25 at 6:30 p.m.

Ken Kunkel, in conjunction with the Berkley Library, is hosting a series of concerts featuring local musicians. This will feature Keith Kunkel and Geoff Trombley. This concert will be special because years ago they were in a band together. You'll probably hear music with a '70s flavor; perhaps Eagles, CSNY and James Taylor. Registration optional at <http://berkleylib.evanced.info/signup/calendar>.

Phil Hale Jazz Quartet

Wednesday, Nov. 8 at 6:30 p.m.

Phil Hale is a Detroit-area keyboard player/composer who has been playing various genres of music for over 50 years. His strong interest in playing jazz has led him to play as both leader and sideman with Detroit jazz legends. Phil Hale is currently the keyboardist for "Detroit's Queen of the Blues" Thornetta Davis and has been with her since 1999. The Phil Hale's Jazz Quartet also features some of the top working musicians in town: John Douglas on trumpet, John Barron on bass and Djallo Djakate on drums. Sponsored by the Jazz Foundation of America. Registration optional at <http://berkleylib.evanced.info/signup/calendar>.

Reaching for the Stars: The Art of the Michigan State Capitol

Tuesday, Dec. 5 at 6:30 p.m.

Michigan's Capitol is covered by and filled with all kinds of art – from governor portraits that encircle the rotunda to the gold stars in the dome that symbolize the bright, limitless potential of our state. Some works tell stories of state history, like the "Rise and Progress of Michigan" sculpture, while others, like the massive muses in the dome, represent the best of Michigan's future. Many of the original pieces of richly carved decorative arts remain in use today. Be inspired by our Capitol's beautiful art – and learn more about its origins, creators and ongoing preservation – with this program by Michigan State Capitol Historian and Curator Valerie Marvin. Sponsored by the Friends of Berkley Library. Registration optional at <http://berkleylib.evanced.info/signup/calendar>.

TEEN

Teen Book Club

Book club is back this fall after a summer break! The group is led by local teens Claire and Ana Lucia. Monthly meetings, dates and book selections coming soon. Check the library website for more details: berklemich.org/departments/library.

College Essay Workshop

Monday, Sept. 18 at 6:30 p.m.

Learn how to write a standout college application essay with Olivia Gundrum of Illuminated Essays. Register at <http://berkleylib.evanced.info/signup/calendar>.

Spooky Movie Kit

Week of Oct. 23

Sign up to choose a spooky movie to check out along with a Halloween treat bag! Sponsored by the Friends of Berkley Library. Register at <http://berkleylib.evanced.info/signup/calendar>.

String Art Kit

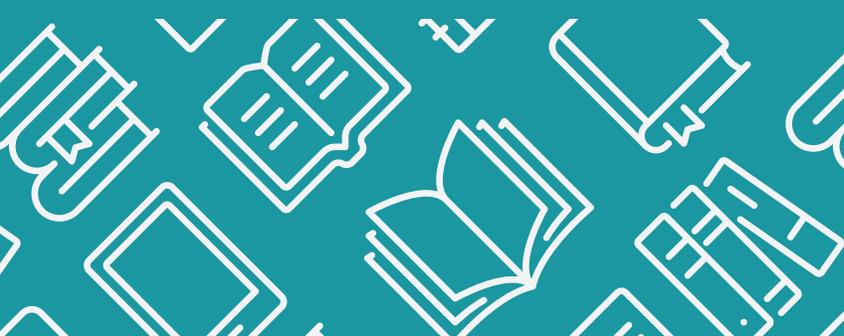
Week of Nov. 13

Pick up a supply kit to make your own piece of string art at home! Sponsored by the Friends of Berkley Library. Register at <http://berkleylib.evanced.info/signup/calendar>.

Holiday Treats

Wednesday, Dec. 13 at 4 p.m.

Need some ideas for a holiday party or cute small gifts? Make a sampling of winter and holiday treats to take home. Sponsored by the Friends of Berkley Library. Register at <http://berkleylib.evanced.info/signup/calendar>.



KIDS



Family Storytime

Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m.

Session 1: 9/12, 9/19, 9/26, 10/3, 10/10, 10/17

Session 2: 11/7, 11/14, 11/21, 11/28, 12/5, 12/12

Join us for stories, rhymes and songs! Activities will focus on ages 2-6, but all ages are welcome. No registration required.

Baby Playtime

Thursdays at 10:30 a.m.

Session 1: 9/14, 9/21, 9/28, 10/5, 10/12, 10/19

Session 2: 11/9, 11/16, 11/30, 12/7, 12/14

Enjoy open-ended play with your infant or toddler and social interaction with other families. Our toys are best suited for ages 6 months to 3 years. Siblings welcome. No registration required.

Crayon Guessing Jar

All month of September

Celebrate the start of a new school year by guessing how many crayons are in the jar for a chance to win a prize!

Paper Circuits

Monday, Sept. 11 at 6:30 p.m.

Mix technology and art to create a card that lights up! Sponsored by the Friends of Berkley Library. Register at <http://berkeleylib.evanced.info/signup/calendar>.

Candy Seek & Find

All month of October

Search the children's room for hidden candy images and turn in your scorecard for a treat!

Halloween Tale on the Trail

Thursday, Oct. 19 ***save the date!***

Stay tuned for event details closer to the date. Program is a collaboration between Berkley Public Library and Berkley Parks and Recreation.



Book Character Costume Party

Tuesday, Oct. 24 at 6:30 p.m.

Dress up and enjoy book-related games, crafts and activities! (Book character costumes are not required – feel free to wear any kind of costume or no costume.) Sponsored by the Friends of Berkley Library. Register at <http://berkleylib.evanced.info/signup/calendar>.



Thankful Turkeys

All month of November

Write or draw what you're thankful for on a turkey, and we'll hang it up at the Library!

Korean Lotus Lanterns

Monday, Nov. 13 at 6:30 p.m.

Discover the beauty and history of Korean culture by making a lotus lantern! Sponsored by the Friends of Berkley Library. Register at <http://berkleylib.evanced.info/signup/calendar>.

Letters to Santa

All month of December

Write or draw a letter to Santa and drop it off in the special mailbox outside the Library!

Santa at the Library

Sunday, Dec. 10 ***save the date!***

Stay tuned for event details closer to the date.

Program is a collaboration between Berkley Public Library and the Downtown Development Authority.

Holiday Treats

Tuesday, Dec. 12 at 6:30 p.m.

Make a sampling of cute and tasty holiday and winter treats to take home! Sponsored by the Friends of Berkley Library. Register at <http://berkleylib.evanced.info/signup/calendar>.



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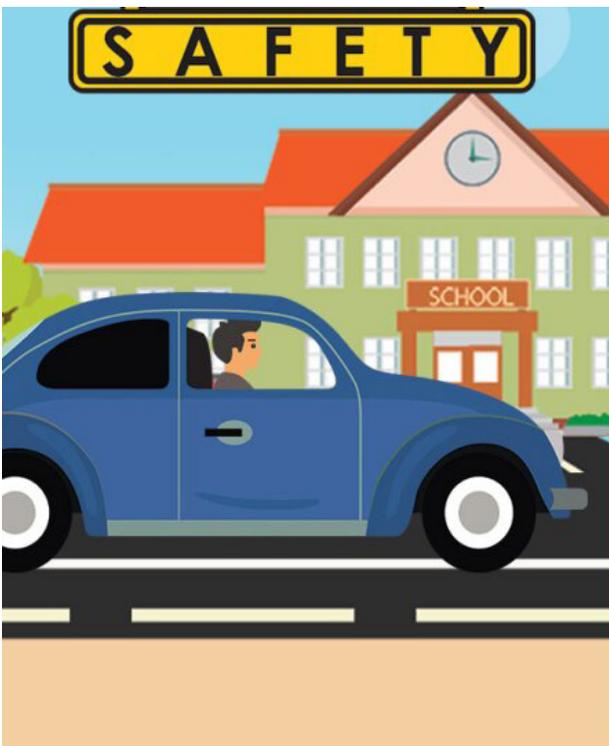
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- Use sidewalks when possible
- Cross streets at intersections and crosswalks
- Always look both ways before crossing the street
- Pay attention and listen to crossing guards
- Pay attention to driveways and other entrances/exits
- Adopt a safe route home. Walk with others.
- Avoid talking to strangers.



- Watch for children
- Obey school zone speed limits
- Do not pass a bus loading or unloading children
- Never pass vehicles stopped at crosswalks
- Pay attention to school crossing guards
- Eliminate distractions
- Use designated student drop-off and pick-up zone.

SAFETY



- Use the safest route to school
- Minimize street crossings
- Avoid busy roads
- Wear a helmet
- Wear bright-colored clothing
- Pay attention
- Obey rules on the sidewalk/road.

H A L L O W E E N

Hold a flashlight while trick-or-treating to help you see and others see you. WALK and don't run from house to house.

Always test make-up in a small area first. Remove it before bedtime to prevent possible skin and eye irritation.

Look both ways before crossing the street. Use crosswalks wherever possible.

Lower your risk for serious eye injury by not wearing decorative contact lenses.

Only walk on sidewalks whenever possible, or on the far edge of the road facing traffic to stay safe.

Wear well-fitting masks, costumes, and shoes to avoid blocked vision, trips, and falls.

Eat only factory-wrapped treats. Avoid eating homemade treats made by strangers.

Enter homes only if you're with a trusted adult. Only visit well-lit houses. Never accept rides from strangers.

Never walk near lit candles or luminaries. Be sure to wear flame-resistant costumes.



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Modernizing Berkley's Zoning Ordinance

What is a zoning ordinance?

The state of Michigan enables municipalities to enact a zoning ordinance, which typically regulates land use, building size and placement, parking, landscaping and parcel size. These regulations, using “zones” to allow different uses and buildings in different places, define how each individual property within the city may be developed or redeveloped.

Why do we need to rewrite the City's zoning ordinance?

The City of Berkley has not completed a comprehensive update to the zoning ordinance since 1993. Over the past three decades, buildings and land uses have changed as well as how we work, shop, move and play. The zoning ordinance needs to be rewritten to implement the City's recently updated Master Plan, comply with state and federal law and deliver the quality and type of development envisioned by the Berkley community.

What is the zoning ordinance rewrite process?

City officials and staff, along with our consultant team, are committed to crafting regulations that protect the community, implement the City's vision and values and create sustainability in Berkley.

City staff, consultants and community members will work through a two-year process featuring four phases:

1. An assessment of the current zoning ordinance.
2. The development of draft regulations for a new ordinance.
3. A review of the full draft of the new ordinance.
4. Adoption of the new zoning ordinance.

For additional information, including how you can be part of this process, please visit berkleymich.org/zoningordinance.



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