

BLACK EARTH NEWS

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Police Summer Rec Program

12:30pm - 2pm (Wk 5 is 9a-12:30p)

This year's events are split between Black Earth and Mazomanie. There are permission slips available at the Village Office or on the Police Department's Facebook page. There will be bus transportation available for all 5 weeks.

- **July 23rd - Pool and Splash Pad Day at the Mazomanie pool.**
- **July 30th - James the Magician at BE Village Office Conference Room**
- **August 6th - Animal House Reptiles and Small animals at BE Conference Room**
- **August 13th - Explore Downtown Mazomanie**
- **August 20th - Grand Finale - Play N Wisconsin/Rocky Rococo's Pizza (Separate permission slip) Socks are REQUIRED!**

Recycling Event

Saturday July 27 9:00AM - 11:00AM

Bring your old, unwanted, and/or broken electronics to be recycled! From 9am-11am we will be hosting a recycling event in the parking lot of the village office (1210 Mills Street). If you have any questions regarding pricing or acceptable electronics to recycle, visit www.blackearthwisconsin.com and view the calendar link for more information. You can also call Resource Solutions to ask about an item not on the list (608-244-2454).

Field Days 2023

Field Days will be Friday, August 10th and Saturday August 11th in Community Park.

- Friday's events will include a Can Jam tournament, concession stands and the beer tent with live entertainment.
- Saturday's events start at noon with the parade through town and follow at the Park with the beer tent, concession stands and kids entertainment all day and fireworks at dusk,

Field Days is made possible due to the generous donations from residents and businesses in the Black Earth area. For information on how to make a donation, or to inquire about volunteering, contact the BEvents committee on facebook at,

www.facebook.com/BEventsBEWI/

Lego Club at the Library

Friday July 12-August 2nd 1-3pm

Build with friends and enjoy some snacks. Best for school age kids, but the whole family is welcome!

Concerts in the Park 2023!

Concerts in the Park at Veterans Memorial Park is organized and presented by the BEvents Committee. While the concerts are free to attend, donations are appreciated. Proceeds go towards next year's concerts and the annual Field Days festivities! Food will be available to purchase each week and is sponsored by non-profit organizations. See the BEvents Facebook page for the menu each week at www.facebook.com/BEventsBEWI/

Tuesdays at 6:30 PM - Veterans Park

- **July 2nd - The Jimmys**
- **July 9th - Depot Express**
- **July 16th - Tony Rocker and the Comeback Special**
- **July 23rd - Keith and the Klassics**
- **July 30th - Hot August Nights (Also the night of the Library pie auction fundraiser!)**

Garden Club

Thursday July 25th 6-7pm in Veterans Park

Garden Club is an informal discussion with area gardeners and growers where you can get advice from other in the community. Whether you're just starting out with your garden or are a Master Gardener, please come by to ask questions and share your experiences! We meet the fourth Thursday of the month during spring and summer. This is a volunteer-led program.

"Adventure Begins at Your Library" Summer Library Program

Summer Library Program bags are available!

We have bags for children from birth - 5th grade, students in 6th-12th, and adults.

Readers of all ages, including babies and adults can join our Beanstack Summer Reading Challenge from now until August 10th. Visit blackearthlibrary.org for more information, and for details about our upcoming summer events!

Spice of the Month Club

The library is now offering the "spice of the Month Club". Each month we will be providing "take and bake" kits featuring a different spice, herb, or blend. Each kit will include information about the featured spice, two sample recipe suggestions and enough spice to make both recipes. The kits are free, but supplies are limited. Please, only one kit per household. For July, we'll be offering rosemary.



Library Hours

Monday - Thursday: 9:30am to 7:00pm
Friday: 9:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Saturday: 10 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
CLOSED July 4 - Independence Day

Messy Monday in Veterans Park July 8, 15, 22, 29 | 11am - 12pm

Join us for Messy Monday in Veterans Park! Our fun sensory bin activities are designed to help little ones build fine motor and early literacy skills. Just don't forget to come dressed for a mess. Please note: Outdoor programs will move into the library in inclement weather.

Tuesday Storytime at the Library June 11th-July 30th | 11:30am-12pm

Join us for stories, songs, and fun activities with friends. Best for babies and toddlers, but the whole family is welcome!

Tuesday Toddler Art at the Library Tuesdays - June 11th - July 30th | 12-12:30pm

Come create, explore, and play at the library! Our art experiments for little hands are designed to encourage curiosity and build motor skills. Enjoy the process and come dressed for a mess!

Wednesday Crafternoon in Vets Park Wednesday June 12th - July 31st | 12pm- 1pm

Make fun crafts in the park on Wednesday afternoons. Great for kids 5 and up, but the whole family is welcome. No registration required. Please note: outdoor programs will move to the library with inclement weather

Tween and Teen Beaded Bracelets and Key Chains

Thursday July 18th - 1:30 - 2:30pm

Design your own bracelets and key chains with many fun beads to choose from. Best for students 4th grade and up

Adult (and Teen!) Craft Night: Reusable Sticker Books

Thursday, July 18th 6:00 pm

Join us to make reusable sticker books! These books will let you enjoy the stickers you accumulate during your adventures until you find their forever home. Stick them to pages for now, and pull them off to re-stick anytime you want. Each book contains 24 pages and you'll also learn some techniques for decorating your book including zentangles and lettering techniques. Allsupplies provided. No registration required.

Tween and Teen Book Swap with Build -Your-Own Iced Coffee and Tea

Thursday, July 11 from 1:30 - 2:30 pm

Would you like to refresh the books that you have at home? Well, come to the library and exchange up to 5 books with friends. Clean out your old book stash and "shop" for new ones for free! Plus you can enjoy making your own iced coffee and/or iced tea. Best for students in 4th grade and up.

Wading in Black Earth Creek with Stream Biologists and BECWA

Join the Black Earth Public Library and Mazomanie Free Library as we wade and explore the Black Earth Creek near Salmo Pond with Stream Biologists and the Black Earth Creek Watershed Association. We'll have waders available for kids in 1st grade and up, as well as for teens and adults! Don't forget to bring a towel and come dressed to get wet! Also, olde and secure footwear is recommended since we'll be walking through grass and mud. You don't want your shoes to get stuck in the muck! Adult supervision is required for kids. Please note: everyone wades at their own risk. Sign up at the Black Earth or Mazomanie Library.

Book Discussion

Wednesday July 10th at 10:30am

Join us for a discussion of the novel *Horse* by Geraldine Brooks. Copies, including large print copies are available at the library.

Battle of the Books Thursday, July 25 from 2:00 - 3:00pm

Sign up individually or form teams with friends to battle! Best for students in grades 4-9. Everyone wins great prizes and yummy treats for participating.

Pie Auction to Benefit the Library Tuesday, July 30th at 6:00pm

Enjoy a pie and live music at Veterans Park! The Friends of the Black Earth Library will be auctioning off donated pies during the concert's intermission. Enjoy your pie during the concert or take it home with you to enjoy later. Eating utensils will be available. Pie donations from community members are welcome! Drop them off at the park prior to the concert (only pies that do not require refrigeration, please).

Teen Advisory Board Monthly Meeting Monday, July 22 from 3:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Students in grades 6-12 are invited to join us at our next Teen Advisory Board Monthly Meeting. We will be playing games, planning future programs, and eating snacks! PAGE 2