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There's a lot going on this month!

The Friends Fall Book Sale!

• 9am–4pm, October 8 & 9 (Members-only preview on October 7)

Family Fun Movie Nights!

• 6pm, October 1 & 29

Special Adventure in Story Time Events

• 10am Tuesday, October 5, meet Scout, the Screech Owl

Friends Fall Book Sale!

It's time again for the **Friends of the Library Fall Book Sale** in our Community Room. **The Members-Only Preview Sale is Thursday, October 7, 5–7:30pm.** Not a member? It's easy to join at the door!

The Book Sale is open to everyone **9am–4pm** on **Friday, October 8,** and **Saturday, October 9.** Come stock up! For information about the Friends, visit us at www.friendsofbillingslibrary.org.

Author Visit: Josh Quick

Join author/illustrator **Josh Quick** for a family friendly presentation and art activity. Hear some incredible facts about Yellowstone and stay for a lesson in illustrating your own facts! (ages 8 and up).

Josh is from Missoula. He earned his graphic design degree in 2001 from the Art Institute of Seattle. Known for his cartoonish style, he has won illustration awards for event and product branding. Some of Josh's clients include Pearl Jam, Doma Coffee, Big Dipper Ice Cream, Western Montana Fair and Submittable. See his work at quickjosh.com

- 3:30–4:45pm, Friday, October 8 in the Children's Craft Corner

Authors Event: Tom Harpole & Craig Lancaster

We are excited to host Montana-based authors **Craig Lancaster** and **Tom Harpole.** Lancaster's books include his latest, published in 2021, "**and it will be a beautiful life,**" and earlier "**600 Hours of Edward**" and "**Edward Adrift.**" Harpole has written extensively for magazines and published his book "**Regarding Willingness: Chronicles of a Fraught Life**" in 2020. Come by, meet the authors and have a book signed. Books will be available for purchase.

- 9am–4pm, Saturday, October 9 in the Library Lobby

Crow Language Children's Books Now Available at the Library

The **Billings Public Library Foundation** is thrilled to announce the generous donation of eighteen children's books written in the Crow language made possible through the **Crow Language Consortium** and **The Language Conservancy.** These books will be added to the Library's existing indigenous language collection and will be available for check-out in the Children's Section.

"We are thrilled to be able to add more indigenous language materials to our collection," said Leslie Modrow, the Director of the Billings Public Library Foundation. "It can be difficult to find resources written in indigenous languages, so this is a wonderful addition."

This partnership was made possible through the Crow Language Consortium, a collective of Crow schools, colleges and educators that are working to preserve the Crow language. The Consortium recently announced a grant to author the most extensive Crow Dictionary ever published. The Consortium is a partner of The Language Conservancy, which was founded in 2005 by a concerned group of indigenous educators and activists in reaction to the severe decline of indigenous language speakers in the United States. The Conservancy provides funding and technical assistance to 31 different indigenous language communities.

Michael Joseph of the Crow Language Consortium said, "We're excited that patrons in Billings and surrounding areas will be able to borrow more materials in diverse and indigenous languages from their public library. Access to language learning materials like these picture books and textbooks is essential to reawakening these dormant languages."

In October...

Adult Take & Make

Brain Games! This Take & Make is full of puzzles designed to challenge your mind and keep your brain agile.

- Pickup begins October 1 at the 2nd Floor Help Desk

Tech Café

Do you have questions about using your tablet, smartphone or the accessing the Library's collection of digital books, audiobooks and magazines? Drop by our weekly Tech Café for personalized assistance with these and other topics.

- 10–11pm, Wed., through October in the Computer Classroom

One Book Billings

November's book for One Book Billings is "**The Flicker of Old Dreams**" by Susan Henderson. It's a novel about a young woman who comes most alive while working in her father's mortuary in a small, forgotten Western town. Sign up on our website to join a group. Call 657–8290 or email refdesk@billingsmt.gov for more information.

- Books available beginning Oct. 1
- Group discussions are Nov. 1–4

Curbside Service has ended, but we still offer contactless pickup. All materials on hold can be picked up by patrons from the Holds shelf on the 1st floor and checked out at the self-checks.

Great Billings Book Hunt

The Truth Is Out There! But, can you find it? For the spookiest month of the year, we'd like you to search for **The Unexplained.** Aliens and X-Files, to be sure — but also hauntings, mysterious disappearances, strange creatures, unbelievable coincidences and possibly supernatural events. You can delve into either fiction or nonfiction, we promise to keep an open mind! Earn a badge for our Fourth Quarter drawing.

- challenge is open October 1–31

Graphics Book Group

Our October book is "**The Complete Persepolis,**" a classic memoir of growing up in Iran during the Revolution in the 1970s. Books are available to check out at the 2nd Floor Help Desk.

- 7pm, Wednesday, Oct. 6, online

LitCentric Book Group

We use a combination of self-purchased titles and Library-owned book club kits. We're meeting virtually to discuss "**Kitchen Confidential**" by Anthony Bourdain. To sign up, email refdesk@billingsmt.gov.

- 7pm, Tuesday, Oct. 26, on Zoom

Turning Page Book Group

This group meets monthly to talk about titles chosen from our BPL Book Club Kits. For more info or to join this group, email refdesk@billingsmt.gov or call 657–8290.

- 7pm, Wednesday, Oct. 27, online

Friday Night Fun Family Films!

Join us for **Family Movie Nights!** Doors open at 6pm; the movie begins at 6:15. Masks are not required, but encouraged. For more info about Friday Night Fun programs, visit our website at billingslibrary.org or follow us on social media.

"Won't You Be My Neighbor?"

We're celebrating *all things* Mr. Rogers! Fred Rogers was a unique presence on television for generations. The life of this would-be pastor is explored as a man who found a more important calling to provide an oasis for children in a video sea of violent bombardment. Take-home craft kits will also be available (as supplies last) to make your very own paper puppet tiger!

- 6pm, Friday, October 1 (PG-13)

"Goosebumps" (PG)

Based on the classic RL Stine series and starring Jack Black. After moving to a small town, Zach Cooper finds a silver lining when he meets next door neighbor Hannah, the daughter of bestselling *Goosebumps* series author R.L. Stine. Stine is very strange and mysterious for good reason. He is a prisoner of his own imagination.

- 6pm, Friday, October 29

In October @ your Billings Public Library!

October

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1 Good Bear Day Coloring Contest starts!

Also beginning today!
 • Great Billings Book Hunt
 • Adult Take & Make
 • One Book Billings book pickup

6pm Friday Night Fun!
 Family Movie Night
 "Won't You Be My Neighbor?"

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Friends Big Fall Sale! 9am-4pm

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For Kids, Tweens & Families

Contact the Children's Department by emailing kidsdesk@billingsmt.gov. Story Time has returned in person; Books & Babies returns November 4.

Special Adventures in Story Time Event

Join us for a special **Owl Story Time** with stories, songs and a visit from Scout, a Screech Owl who lives at ZooMontana. Then you'll receive a Take & Make Owl Craft!

- 10 am, Tuesday, October 5 in the Popular Materials Area

Adventures in Story Time

Adventures in Story Time introduces young children to books, rhymes, crafts and other fun interactive activities. Themes this month include: Fire Prevention, Bats and Monsters.

- 10-11 am, Tuesdays (ages 3-6), October 12, 19 & 26
- 10-11 am, Wednesdays (ages 2-3), October 13, 20 & 27
- 10-11 am, Thursdays (ages 3-6), October 14, 21 & 28 in the Community Room

Story Time in Español

¡La biblioteca pública de Billings ahora ofrece La Hora de Lectura en español! It's Story Time in Spanish. MSU-B student Justin, who learned Spanish while living in Argentina, shares favorite picture books written in the Spanish language.

- 4pm, Tuesdays, October 5 & 19 in the Community Room

Good Bear Day Coloring Contest (ages 0-12)

Artists! Color a coloring sheet in our **Good Bear Day Coloring Contest!** Pick one up at the Children's Desk or download from our website. Return it to the Children's Desk for a chance to win a Build-A-Bear Gift Card. Every artist will receive a mini teddy bear (while supplies last).

- Pickup begins October 1; sheets returned by October 30

Stuffed Friends Sleepover @ Home

What kind of mischief do you and your stuffed friends get into at bedtime? Do you sneak in and eat ice cream? Do you stay up and read a book under the covers? Take a picture of your sleepover with stuffed friends at your house. Email it to kidsdesk@billingsmt.gov or share on social media at #BPLsleepover2021. Some lucky kid will get a Build-A-Bear Gift Card!

- Send us your photos October 15-31

Just for TEENS

TECH Lab hours: 3-7pm Tuesday-Friday; 1-5pm Saturday

TEENtober

TEENtober is a new, nationwide celebration hosted by libraries every October meant to celebrate teens and promote year-round teen services. Themed activities occur each week throughout October. Visit billingslibrary.org/396/Teens to learn more.

DIGITAL LITERACY

Teens, create a digital infographic about how to spot fake news! The first three teens to send a design will receive a free copy of "True or False: A CIA Analyst's Guide to Spotting Fake News" by Cindy L. Otis. Infographics will be posted to our Teen Blog. Winners are emailed.

- Send your infographic: October 1-9

WRITING

Teens, submit a blog post about any topic you like! Your favorite music album? Comment on current events? All teens who send a post will be entered to win a copy of "Stamped: Racism, Antiracism, and You" by Jason Reynolds and Ibram X. Kendi. Winners will be selected at random and emailed.

- Posts must be received: October 11-16

TECHNOLOGY & GAMING

Teens, visit the TECH Lab and be entered to win a Magic the Gathering gift set OR Pokemon Kindra-Ex gift set. One entry per visit, per day for the set of your choice. Winners will be emailed.

- Visit the TECH Lab: October 19-23

ART & MUSIC

Teens, take advantage of the art supplies and recording equipment located in the TECH lab. Come paint, draw or record a song! Art activities will be available to help jump start your creativity!

- Stop in and create: October 26-30

TEEN BOOK BOXES—NO LIMIT NOVEMBER!

For the last month of our program, ALL teens who sign up by October 7 will receive a box in November! Check the Teen Page, billingslibrary.org/396/Teens to see when open registration begins. THANK YOU to everyone who has participated and Humanities Montana and the National Endowment for the Humanities for their support.

Library Hours

Monday-Friday 9am-8pm
 Saturday 9am-5pm
 Sunday Closed

Curbside Pickup has ended

Helpful Information

Phone numbers

Library: 657-8258
 Bookmobile: 657-3091
 Senior/Homebound: 657-8255
 Foundation: 237-6149
 Friends of the Library: 237-6170

Webpage www.billingslibrary.org

Email refdesk@ci.billings.mt.us

For Children & Families

Story Times
 Tuesdays (ages 3-6), 10-11 am
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