It’s Our 10th Anniversary! Happy Birthday, Billings Public Library!

Our beautiful downtown branch turns 10 years old this month. We’re celebrating!!

Grand Opening Reception

Insightful speeches by the Library and BPLF administration will outline their ambitious vision for the next decade. Enjoy delicious hors d’oeuvres as we toast the future.

• 6:30–7:30pm, Monday, January 29, in the Community Room

A Journey Through Time: The Library’s 123-Year Legacy

Kevin Kooistra, Executive Director of the Western Heritage Center, will present an enlightening session on our Library’s storied 123-year history.

• 6:30–7:30pm, Tuesday, January 30, in the Community Room

Ribbon-Cutting for Library Express Locker #3

We’re inaugurating our 3rd Library Express Locker! Drain the shelves at our downtown branch and open it up in the middle of town.

• 11am & 5pm, Thursday, January 25, at the Intermountain Health Clinic, 2054 US Hwy 87E, Lockwood

Panel Discussion: The Making of an Icon

The discussion among community figures, BPL Board and Foundation members will offer a glimpse into the challenges and triumphs behind our award-winning facility.

• 6:30–7:30pm, Thursday, February 1, in the Community Room

BPL’s Birthday Bash!

Dance, enjoy delicious birthday cake and sing Happy Birthday to our Library. We’ll even have a photo booth to top off a memorable evening for one and all!

• 6:30–7:30pm, Friday, February 2, in the Community Room

Exclusive Tours of the Facility:

Each team is given a randomly drawn puzzle to assemble. Doors open after 5:30.

• 5:30–7:30pm, Friday, January 25, in the Community Room

Game Night!

Bring your favorite games. Play with friends, and maybe make some new ones!

• 5:30–7:30pm, Friday, January 5, in the Community Room

3rd Annual Team Jigsaw Puzzle Championship

Each team is given a randomly drawn puzzle to assemble. Doors open after 5:30.

• 6–7:30pm, Friday, January 12, in the Community Room

DIY Animal Toys with Yellowstone Valley Animal Shelter

Make dog and cat toys for your pets and the ones at YVAS. In addition, we will be doing a craft to make a small toy to take home.

• 11am & 5pm, Saturday, January 20, in the Community Room

Nintendo Switch Sports Party

Drop in. Go head-to-head in a match of tennis or a game of bowling and win a prize!

• 5:30–7:30pm, Friday, January 26, in the Community Room

Genealogy 101 Series

Family history research led by experts from the Yellowstone Genealogy Forum. Registration required, and their caregivers.

• Jan. 20, Basics of Family History Research
• Feb. 3, FamilySearch.org
• Jan. 27, Ancestry Library Edition
• Feb. 10, DNA, to test or not to test!
Happy New Year! Library CLOSED

Paws to Read: Practice Reading Skills
There are two sessions each month! Each child signs up on the day of the program to read to one dog. Space is limited.
Read with Intermountain Therapy Animals:
- 11am, Saturday, January 6, in the Story Tower
Read with Pet Partner Therapy Animals:
- 3–4pm, Wednesday, January 17, in the Story Tower

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