

It's a good time to visit us!

- We'll be open more hours for you beginning on September 7!
9am–8pm, Monday–Friday; 9am–5pm, Saturday
- In-person Story Times resume on September 7!
- Friday Night Fun is back with Family Movie Nights!

Don't miss the beautiful & poignant 9/11 exhibit.

You'll always find us online:

- Website: www.billingslibrary.org
- YouTube: <https://bit.ly/2UU0Jq5>
- Twitter: @BillingsLibrary
- Instagram: www.instagram.com/billingslibrary/
- Facebook: www.facebook.com/BillingsPublicLibrary/

September 11, 2001: The Day That Changed the World

This September marks the 20th anniversary of the terrorist attacks on the United States. Billings Public Library will display an educational poster exhibit developed by the 9/11 Memorial & Museum. It was made possible in part by the National Endowment for the Humanities: Democracy Demands Wisdom. Told through fourteen posters, this exhibition includes archival photographs and images of artifacts from the Museum's permanent collection. Telling the personal stories of those who witnessed and survived the attacks, it recounts the events of September 11, 2001. Twenty years later, the ongoing consequences of the attacks continue to affect policy debates, civil discourse and countless individual lives.

- visit the exhibit during Library hours, September 1–30



September is Library card sign-up month!

Your library card provides access to technology, multimedia content and educational programming that transforms lives and strengthens communities. We will give away Kindle Fires to five people who sign up for a new card!

Geek In! Fandom Recipe Contest!

Food, glorious food! One of the best ways to bring a fictional world to life is through the meals shared by the characters. The Library has several cookbooks that can help you make your favorite fandom meals in your own home. From Lembas Bread (*Lord of the Rings*) and Butterbeer (*Harry Potter*) all the way to Winchester Surprise (*Supernatural*) and Carol's Apocalypse Cookies (*Walking Dead*)—and everything in between. We love to eat like our favorite fictional people. With that in mind, we have a Geek In Challenge for you! Just find a recipe inspired by your favorite fandom, create the dish and then send us a picture of the finished product along with two (1 to 5 star) ratings for the clarity of the recipe you used and for the overall experience. We encourage you to use a Library cookbook, but many great fandom recipes can be found online, too. We will share entries through social media, and the three most "liked" photos will each win a gift card that will enhance your next cooking experience! Submit your entries via Facebook Messenger or send to refdesk@billingsmt.gov. *Bon Appétit!*

- entries must be received: Monday, September 13–Sunday, September 19
- voting begins: Monday, September 20

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In September...

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., starting Sept. 8 in the Computer Classroom

Yoga in the Park with Bess

Join Bess Lovec for free outdoor yoga classes. In September, Bess will focus on slow flow yoga. Beginners and advanced yoga students are welcome. *Space is limited. Registration and accident waiver forms are required. Call 657-8290 or email <https://forms.gle/Y1Ty3mGv8HDz9xzc7>. Along with the class, the Library's book bike will provide details about Library resources.

- 10–11am, Thursdays, Sept. 9 & 23 at Pioneer Park (north of the tennis courts)

Great Billings Book Hunt

In September, hunt for coming of age stories in which the main story arc takes its characters on a journey from innocence to understanding or is set in the crucial moments before adulthood. Read a book, and then let us know what you thought to be entered into our Quarter 3 prize drawing.

- challenge is open September 1–30

Billings Bookmarks: An Online Book Group

Join us on our Facebook Group page to meet other local readers, share your latest reads and have some fun! We will be starting month-long Read Along on September 1.

Graphics Book Group

Our book for September is "Flood! A Novel in Pictures" by Eric Drooker. Call 657-8290 or email us at refdesk@billingsmt.gov for more information and to sign up.

- 7pm, Wednesday, Sept. 1, online

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, Sept. 22, online

LitCentric Book Group

We use a combination of self-purchased titles and Library-owned book club kits. We're meeting virtually to discuss "Follow Me Down" by Sherri Smith, "a gutsy, visceral and beautifully crafted psychological thriller." For info and to sign up, email refdesk@billingsmt.gov.

- 7pm, Tuesday, Sept. 28 on Zoom

Friday Night Fun RETURNS!

Join us for Family Movie Nights! Doors open at 6pm, 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.

"Soul"~Disney & Pixar (PG)

What is it that makes you...YOU? A middle-school band teacher gets the chance of a lifetime to play at the best jazz club in town. But one small misstep takes him from the streets of New York City to The Great Before—a fantastical place where new souls get their personalities, quirks and interests before they go to Earth.

- 6pm, Friday, September 10

"The Little Prince" (G)

A young girl strikes up a friendship with her neighbor, an eccentric aviator who tells her stories about a prince from a far-away asteroid whom he once met in the desert. These tales also include the prince's adventures across the cosmos and on Earth, as he encounters talking animals and a monarch with no subjects.

- 6pm, Friday, September 17

In September @ your Billings Public Library!

<h1>September</h1> <p>Please visit our website for the most current information.</p>			1 12:30pm Lib. Show Ch. 7 7pm Graphic Novel Book Group (online) Great Billings Book Hunt begins! September's challenge is "Coming of Age"	2 8pm Library Show Channel 7	3	4
			5 1:30pm Library Show Channel 7	6 Labor Day Library CLOSED	7 Story Time 10-11am Story Time in Español 4pm 7:30pm Library Show Channel 7	8 Story Time 10-11am 12:30pm Library Show Channel 7 10-11am Tech Café tech help for adults
12 1:30pm Library Show Channel 7	13 Fandom Recipe Contest Submit entries beginning TODAY!	14 Story Time 10-11am 7:30pm Library Show Channel 7 4pm TEEN Techies Kick-Off Party for our Teen Coding Club	15 Story Time 10-11am 12:30pm Library Show Channel 7 10-11am Tech Café tech help for adults	16 Story Time 10-11am 8pm Library Show Channel 7	17 6pm Friday Night Fun! Family Movie Night "The Little Prince"	18 2-3pm TEEN Techies Teen Coding Club Meeting
19 1:30pm Library Show Channel 7 Fandom Recipe Contest Last day to submit entries!	20 Fandom Recipe Contest Voting begins!	21 Story Time 10-11am Story Time in Español 4pm 7:30pm Library Show Channel 7 4-5pm TEEN Techies Teen Coding Club Meeting TEEN Learn to Sew regular Tech Lab hours	22 Story Time 10-11am 10-11am Tech Café tech help for adults 7:30pm Library Show Channel 7 7pm Turning Page Book Group (online) TEEN Learn to Sew regular Tech Lab hours	23 Story Time 10-11am 10-11am Yoga in the Park Bess Lovec in Pioneer Park TEEN Learn to Sew regular Tech Lab hours 8pm Library Show Channel 7	24 TEEN Learn to Sew regular Tech Lab hours Library CLOSSES at 5pm today	25 2-3pm TEEN Techies Teen Coding Club Meeting TEEN Learn to Sew regular Tech Lab hours
26 1:30pm Library Show Channel 7	27	28 Story Time 10-11am 4-5pm TEEN Techies Teen Coding Club Meeting 7pm LitCentric Book Discussion Group 7:30pm Library Show Channel 7	29 Story Time 10-11am 10-11am Tech Café tech help for adults 7:30pm Library Show Channel 7 4-5pm TEEN Program Civic Engagement	30 Story Time 10-11am 8pm Library Show Channel 7	One Book Billings Round 2 begins TODAY! Pick up October's title, "The Flicker of Old Dreams" by Susan Henderson, and sign up for a discussion group November 1-4.	 Find us on Facebook  We're BillingsLibrary on Twitter  and billingslibrary on Instagram.
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday

For Kids, Tweens & Families

You may contact the Children's Department by emailing kidsdesk@billingsmt.gov. Story Time returns in-person on September 7; Books & Babies returns November 4.

Adventures in Story Time

Adventures in Story Time introduces young children to books, rhymes, crafts and other fun interactive activities. Each session is a chance to practice reading readiness skills like listening during stories, letter awareness and predicting. Building these skills prepares children to learn to read. Themes this month include: Librarian's Favorite, Hats, Pirates and Elephants.

- 10-11am, Tuesdays (ages 3-6), Sept. 7, 14, 21 & 28
- 10-11am, Wednesdays (ages 2-3), Sept. 8, 15, 22 & 29
- 10-11am, Thursdays (ages 3-6), Sept. 9, 16, 23 & 30 in the Community Room

iVox — Books that Move!

Popular children's books transformed through audio! iVOX is a book app for children ages 3-8. It's the latest in storytelling technology—part eBook, part audiobook and part virtual pop-up. Children follow along with the exciting stories while interacting with 3D characters and scenes immersed in the narrative (no 3D glasses needed!). Download the app, log in with your Library card and watch children's books come to life!

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, will share favorite picture books written in Spanish. Join us as we explore the Spanish language.

- 4pm, Tuesdays, September 7 & 21 Community Room

1000 Books Before Kindergarten

1000 Books Before Kindergarten is a national initiative to increase early childhood literacy by fostering the love of reading at an early age and encouraging parent and child bonding through reading. Download the ReadSquared app and record the books you and your child read together. Earn prizes and prepare your child to learn to read and write!

Just for TEENS

The TECH Lab's has new hours beginning Sept. 7: 3-7pm Tuesday-Friday; 1-5pm Saturday

TEEN TECHIES: A GIRLS-WHO-CODE CLUB

(All youth in grades 6-12 are welcome!) Come to the Kick-Off Party for our teen coding club hosted by the Library's Teen and I.T. Services! Sign up and meet other members. Club meetings will occur Tuesdays 4-5pm and Saturdays 2-3pm every week during September and October. Tell us you're coming! More at billingslibrary.org/396/Teens.

- 4pm, Tuesday, September 14 on the 2nd Floor

LEARN TO SEW

Learn the basics of sewing! A variety of self-paced projects will be available for hand and machine sewing. No registration required, however supplies are limited. Stop by and stitch!

- TECH Lab open hours, Tues.-Sat., Sept. 21-25

CIVIC ENGAGEMENT PRESENTATION

Carly Collins, Kendyl Robertson and Tori Doll from The City of Billings Community Development Division (Billings Metro VISTA Project) will discuss Billings' community needs and the impact of civic engagement. Join a group of teens who want to make a difference! Part of The Democracy Project. Learn more and register at billingslibrary.org/396/Teens.

- 4-5pm, Tuesday, September 29

ANIME CLUB

Join our Teen Anime Club! Teens 13-17 can sign up now at billingslibrary.org/396/Teens and help decide when our first meeting will be. Come prepared to discuss your favorite anime!

ARTISTS WANTED

Help paint a new mural on our TECH Lab tower. Painting will begin in September (date TBD). Email questions to Vanessa at justicev@billingsmt.gov or visit billingslibrary.org/404/TECH-Lab to sign up. We want to see your talents!

DUNGEONS & DRAGONS IS BACK!

Join local DM Terry Davenport and other teens for exciting campaigns. No experience necessary!

- 4-5pm, Friday, September 10

Library Hours

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

Curbside Pickup
 ends Friday, September 3

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

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 Wednesdays (ages 2-3), 10-11am
 Thursdays (ages 3-6), 10-11am

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