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LIBRARY CLOSINGS

MONDAY 11/11
VETERAN'S DAY

THURSDAY 11/28
THANKSGIVING

LIBRARY HOURS

MONDAY-THURSDAY
9 AM - 8 PM

FRIDAY-SATURDAY
9 AM - 5 PM

SUNDAY - CLOSED

LIBRARY NEWS

As the weather begins to turn and Old Man Winter makes his way back to Iowa there are so many things to look forward to these last two months of 2024. We've got a historic look at the Wizard of Oz kicking the month off with our First Friday event on November 1st, and have a packed calendar running us through the Friend's November Book Sale to close out the month. If you haven't been to one of our programs recently, I strongly encourage you to take a look at our November line-up and join us for a program or two. We've got events for folks of all ages, and each one has been put together with thought and care to ensure a high-quality experience. Programs like That's Yesterday's News (Saturday, Nov. 2nd - Holiday Season) revel in the memory of days gone by and connect us with our local history while Vacation Thru Time (Nov. 15 - 18, Valley of the Kings) connects us with our global history by exploring the mysteries of ancient Egypt. One of the key ways in which our library adds value to our community and enhances our quality of life and communal health is by providing opportunities for all of us to come together to share old stories, explore new ideas, and imagine the futures before us. If you're not able to join us in person this month, then don't forget that the digital library is always open! Check out our e-collections on the Libby or Hoopla apps, stream movies on the Kanopy app, and listen to music with the Freegal app - all free to use with your library card.

See you at the library!
Brittany Jacobs
Library Director

FRIENDS NEWS

Are you thinking about giving the gift of reading to someone (or even yourself) this holiday season? If so, Friends of the Burlington Public Library has you covered.

Our Thanksgiving Sale of nearly new books will be Wednesday, November 27 from 1-5 pm. The sale will then resume on Friday, November 29 at 9 am until 5:00 pm., and again on Saturday, November 30 from 9 am until 5 pm. This should give you a chance to shop our sale around the numerous Black Friday deals.

Hundreds of our highest quality books will be available for \$2 for hardbacks and \$1 for soft covers and paperbacks. What a deal!

If you wish to work at the sale, a sign-up sheet will be available in Footnotes. Sign up for any open time that works with your schedule.

We hope to see you working or shopping at the sale! Have a great Thanksgiving!

Cindy Murphy, Book Sale Chair



NOVEMBER BOOK SALE

Wednesday, Nov. 27th, 1 pm - 5 pm

Friday, Nov. 29th, 9 am - 5 pm

Saturday, Nov. 30th, 9 am - 5 pm



NOVEMBER EVENTS

ALL AGES PROGRAMS

TECH HELP ALL DAY EVERY DAY!

Technology help is now available during all open library hours! If you've got a new phone, an old computer, or anything in-between, bring your device and questions to the library's Tech Help Desk and we'll do our best to help you out. Do you need more tech help beyond a drop-in session? Call or email to schedule an appointment for one-on-one assistance. 319-753-1647 or email us at lowaBPL@gmail.com

CHESS CLUB

Saturdays, November 2 & 16 || 9 AM - 12 PM

Interested in learning chess or brushing up on your skills? Join us for this drop-in chess club in the Create Space. No registration required; all skill levels welcome.

VACATION THRU TIME:

EGYPT, THE VALLEY OF THE KINGS

Friday, November 15 || 1-5 PM

Saturday, November 16 || 9 AM - 5 PM

Monday, November 18 || 12-6 PM

Join the Vacation Thru Time Team and step into the shoes of an archeologist, uncover the mysteries of the Valley of the Kings in Egypt and its most famous resident, the Pharaoh Tutankhamun (King Tut). Treasures, Traps and maybe even a Mummy! Who knows what we might find! No Registration Necessary! All Are Welcome!

STERLING LORD WRITERS AND READERS FESTIVAL

**Saturday, November 9 || Various sessions
from 9 AM - 5 PM**

See online calendar for details

Join us for a day to celebrate hometown literary hero, Sterling Lord with the Burlington Public Library Writer's and Reader's Festival! The day-long event will kick-off with an opportunity to talk with local authors and shop their collections. We invite all readers to join us for a catered lunch while everyone swaps their favorite book titles and picks up recommendations from others. The afternoon will have several writing workshop opportunities for aspiring authors to learn from those already published, and a special story time will honor the library's past children's librarian and author, Debbie Wagenbach. This festival celebrates the writers among us and the reader in all of us. All are welcome; no registration required to attend as a learner. Authors; please register for a booth by visiting our online calendar. Catered lunch options available while supplies last.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

WIGGLE TIME: FALL 2 SESSION

Mondays, November 4, 18, 15 (no class Nov. 11) || 6 PM

Tuesdays, November 5, 12, 19, 26 || 10 AM

Wednesdays, November 6, 13, 20, 27 || 10 AM

Wiggle Time is a music and movement program for children ages 2-4 with their caregiver. Each week in this 6 week session children and grownups will sing, dance, and read together as we continue to work on establishing the 5 building blocks of early literacy: read, write, sing, talk, and play! Registration required; please visit our online calendar to register.

BABYGARTEN: FALL 1 SESSION

**Wednesdays, November 6, 3, 20 (no class
Nov. 27) || 5:30-6 PM**

**Thursdays, November 7, 14, 21 (no class
Nov. 28) || 10-10:30 AM**

Babygarden is an early literacy program for children ages 0-23 months with a caregiver. Each week in this 6 week session we will be learning new sign language, sharing caregiver tips, and sharing songs, rhymes and a book. Registration required; please visit our online calendar to register.

BRICKMASTERS

Saturdays, November 9 & 23 || 10 AM

Brickmasters is bringing a whole new meaning to LEGO building! Brickmasters offers a unique and creative LEGO building experience for kids in K+. Come join us and explore your inner creativity! Don't miss out on the fun - come and join us for a morning of LEGO building! No registration is required!

TWEEN PROGRAMS

TWEEN TUESDAY

Tuesday, November 12 || 6 PM

This month make a craft that will fit perfectly on your Thanksgiving table. Come and make a turkey out of a book. This folded book craft is a great way to gear up for the holiday. Gobble Gobble!!!!

TEEN PROGRAMS

TICOS

Thursday, November 7 || 6:30-7:30 PM

TICOS is a Junior Optimist Club that doubles as our Teen Advisory Club. It is open to all students in 6-12th grades who want to volunteer for the library and in the community. It meets monthly on the first Thursday of the month and usually has a second event/project sometime in the month.

NETWORK NIRVANA MINECRAFT

Wednesday, November 27 || 2:30-4:30 PM

Kick off your Thanksgiving Break at the library playing Minecraft with Network Nirvana. Players will have to work together to discover the origins of the evil plan and foil it before their spell consumes all of Nirvana! Bonus: Enjoy access to the Nirvana worlds all month. See BPL's website for details. No registration required.

ADULT PROGRAMS

FIRST FRIDAY:

THE HISTORICAL WIZARD OF OZ

Friday, November 1 || 10 AM

Just hearing the name "Oz" conjures up fantastic images, adventures, and heartfelt memories. So many of us can recite the plot of the famous story, but how many of us really know what went into creating it? What influences did L. Frank Baum have in his life as he created what is widely acknowledged as America's First Fairytale? Librarian Laura Keyes will separate fact from fiction as she shares the fantastic story of this amazing man, who created The Wonderful Wizard of Oz.

THAT'S YESTERDAY'S NEWS

Saturday, November 2 || 10 AM

Join local historian, Terry Abrisz, for some coffee, pastries and Burlington history. Terry uses the local newspaper to share the story of the community with a different topic each month. This month will be the annual holiday program. No registration required; all are welcome.

LET'S MAKE PIE!

Wednesday, November 13 || 1-3 PM

Join Becky Eutsler to learn her tips and tricks for a perfect pie just in time for Thanksgiving. The best part, each participant will leave with a pie to bake! Becky has taught pie classes at Kirkwood Community College, along with teaching classes with many other area organizations. Class size is very limited and registration is required! Please call or check our online calendar to register.

MYSTERY BOOK CLUB

Tuesday, November 26 || 12-1 PM

Our November title is "Bluebird, bluebird" by Attica Locke. "When it comes to law and order, East Texas plays by its own rules -- a fact that Darren Mathews, a black Texas Ranger, knows all too well. Deeply ambivalent about growing up black in the Lone Star state, he was the first in his family to get as far away from Texas as he could.. until duty called him home." Print copies are available at the Customer Service Desk. Bridges has e-book and e-audio available. Hoopla has the e-book available. No registration - All are welcome!

LIBRARY BOARD NEWS

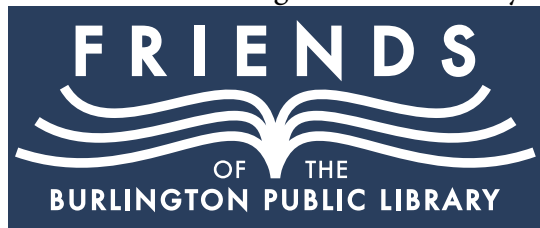
Burlington Public Library is an essential spot in our community that offers not just a wealth of knowledge but also a welcoming place for people to come together. It's a great place to dive into all kinds of topics, from novels and history to the latest in science and tech. In a world overflowing with information, Burlington Public Library helps folks find what they need and make sense of it all. Plus, it's a key player in fighting the loneliness that many experience, providing a space where connections can form, and friendships can blossom.

The library plays a crucial role in promoting digital skills and access to technology, which can help lessen feelings of loneliness. Many folks struggle with the digital divide, but the library provides computers, internet access, and helpful training sessions. This means everyone has the chance to learn new skills and stay connected with friends and family. By bridging the gap between tech and community, Burlington Public Library empowers individuals to grow personally and socially, making our community stronger and healthier overall.

Beyond being a hub for information, Burlington Public Library actively encourages social interaction and community engagement. With programs and events designed for everyone—from kids and teens to seniors and newcomers—it creates opportunities for people to meet and share experiences. Things like book clubs, workshops, and cultural events help bring people together, making it easier to combat the isolation that can take a toll on mental and physical health. At the library, people can find a sense of belonging and support that's so important in today's world.


Come join us at the library!

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