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OCTOBER 2022 NEWSLETTER



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## LIBRARY CLOSINGS

NO SCHEDULED  
CLOSINGS THIS  
MONTH

## LIBRARY HOURS

MONDAY-THURSDAY  
9 AM - 8 PM

FRIDAY-SATURDAY  
9 AM - 5 PM

SUNDAY - CLOSED

## LIBRARY NEWS



### HELLO FROM YOUR NEW LIBRARY DIRECTOR!

After spending the past 11 months connecting with community partners and orchestrating all in-house and outreach events as the Manager of Outreach & Program Services, I'm deeply honored to be named the next Library Director following the departure of Rhonda Frevert.

Originally from the Chicagoland area, and having worked in urban libraries (Free Library of Philadelphia), suburban libraries (Naperville Public Library) and unique libraries (Anythink libraries, Denver, CO) I bring a variety of library experiences and knowledge to this position. With a people-centered approach, I look at libraries as community hubs, springboards for curiosity, and an ever-evolving point of resource for all.

It was immediately evident to me upon my arrival here last November that this library system is exceptional in just about every way. We have a dedicated and passionate library staff who strive for excellence, progress and creativity in all they do. Our building is stunning, our collection expansive, and our Board of Trustees, Friends of the Library, and Library Foundation are all enthusiastic and dedicated to the mission of the Burlington Public Library.

We've got a lot going for us here, and it's an exciting time to step into this leadership role. Burlington has been very welcoming to me and my family, and it didn't take long for us to become charmed with this booming river town. When not at the library, you can find me tending my backyard beehives, hiking the local trails and taking in the river views.

It's an honor to take up this role, and I'm thrilled to be a part of this team and this community. Thank you for your patronage, and I look forward to seeing you in the library sometime soon!

Brittany Jacobs,  
Library Director



## FRIENDS NEWS

Thanks to everyone who helped make the September sale a success by helping or by buying! We need you all!

The Friends organization has a new opportunity available. We are looking for a person to help make sales on eBay for books and other merchandise that would best be sold in that environment. Ron Givens is currently our major eBay person, but he could use some help. If you are interested, please fill out the volunteer form on the library website (if you have not), and then let Cindy Murphy or Ron Givens know through Footnotes.

Stay tuned for information on flash sales in Footnotes, and on the November Black Friday Week-end Footnotes Books Sale. Happy Halloween!

Cindy Murphy,  
Book Distribution Chair

NOVEMBER 2022  
BOOK SALE

FRIDAY 25TH  
9 AM - 5 PM  
BLACK FRIDAY

SATURDAY 26TH  
9 AM - 5 PM

# OCTOBER EVENTS

## SPECIAL PROGRAMS

### NETWORK NIRVANA: MINECRAFT PARTY

**October 6 || 6 PM**

Calling all Minecraft players! Join us for NirvanaOnline, a Minecraft-based massively multiplayer online game developed by Network Nirvana out of Cedar Rapids. In NirvanaOnline, players can team up with their friends to explore over a dozen expansive and meticulously-crafted worlds filled with challenges like 4-player raids & 12-player vaults! Take down incredible boss battles and claim some of the rarest exotic loot in all the land! Registration required; please visit our online calendar to register.

### AUTHOR EVENT: 100 THINGS TO DO IN IOWA BEFORE YOU DIE WITH SARA BROERS

**October 13 || 6 PM**

Iowa is home to rolling hills, beautiful state parks, lush cornfields, and architecture that is unique to the state. With more than a dozen scenic highways & byways, and with 100 Things to Do in Iowa Before You Die as your guide, your next road trip will be an epic one! Join author, Sara Broers, for an evening that will be sure to make you fall in love with our home state. All are welcome; no registration required.

### FAMILY NIGHT UNPLUGGED

**October 14 || 6:00 PM**

Free fun for all ages, Family Night Unplugged is an opportunity for families to spend time together free of electronic devices, and grow connections through fun and educational experiences. October is adopt a shelter dog month, and we will be celebrating animal adoptions! Activities, snacks, stories, and special guests. Registration required; please visit our online calendar to register.

### BABY SENSORY

**Wednesday, October 26 || 5:30 PM**  
**Thursday, October 27 || 10 AM**

Join us for a story and a fun sensory activity at the library! Sensory play with babies helps develop your child's five senses while also promoting motor skills and laying the building blocks for further cognitive development! Best for 0-24-month-olds. Registration is required; please visit our online calendar to register.

## FRAUD FIGHTERS

**October 21 || 10 AM**

Con artists target people aged 60 and older, swindling more than 7 million Americans out of almost \$3 billion each year. Fraud Fighters is a public education program which helps Iowans shield their savings from scammers. Join us for education and empowerment to combat and report investment, insurance and consumer fraud. No registration required. All are welcome.

## GENEALOGY LOCK-IN

**October 21 || 5-9 PM**

Fall into genealogy research at Burlington Public Library! The Fall Genealogy Lock-In is a special evening set aside just for those interested in researching, documenting, discussing or learning about genealogy and local history. Expert help will be available and refreshments will be provided. Registration required.

## PUMPKINPALOOZA

**October 22 || 10 AM - 2 PM**

Decorate your very own silly or spooky pumpkin! A special thanks to the Friends of the Burlington Public Library for making this event possible. Space is limited and registration is required for a pumpkin; please visit our online calendar or call 319-753-1647 to register.

## VACATION THRU TIME: SALEM

**Exhibits: Friday, October 28 || 1-5 PM**  
**Exhibits: Saturday, October 29 || 9 AM - 3 PM**

Get an exclusive tour, historical facts about your destination, and enjoy interactive exhibits. This month, grab a broom and fly to Salem, Mass with us. Take a witches tour of Salem and find out just what happened during the witch trials of 1692. No Registration Required. All Are Welcome!

## CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

### BABYGARTEN (AGES 0-23 MONTHS)

**Wednesdays, October 5 and 12 || 5:30-6 PM**  
**Thursdays, October 6 and 13 || 10-10:30 AM**

### STORYTIME (GRADES K-2)

**October 6 and 13 || 5:00 PM**

### WIGGLE TIME (AGES 2-4)

**Mondays, October 3 and 10 || 6:00 PM**  
**Tuesdays, October 4 and 11 || 10:30 AM**  
**Wednesdays, October 5 and 12 || 9:30 AM**  
**Wednesdays, October 5 and 12 || 10:30 AM**

### MINDFULLY ME (AGES 4+)

**October 7 and 14 || 4:15 PM**

## ART EXPLORERS (AGES 3-6)

**October 7 and 14 || 10:00 AM**

Join for a morning of sensory-based and process art. Process art is all about allowing children to explore their own artistic abilities through the experience of creating art, rather than focusing on the end result. No registration required.

## SOCIAL JUSTICE BEGINS WITH ME: SJ BOOK CLUB PILOT

**October 12 || 6:30 PM**

As a pilot for this program, we will offer two opportunities for kids and their parents/caregivers to get a sneak peek at what this book club will be all about. This book club will allow families to explore complex social justice issues through books and conversation, while giving adults tools to continue these conversations at home. Registration is required.

## TWEEN PROGRAMS

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### MONSTERS, PUMPKINS, & GHOSTS OH MY!!!

**October 25 || 6 PM**

Come paint a scary Halloween character of your choice to add to your Halloween fun. Registration required; please visit our online calendar to register.

## TEEN PROGRAMS

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### TICOS

**October 3 || 5-6 PM**

### TEEN D&D

**October 20 || 6-7:45 PM**

Join Dungeon Master Kelsey for a one-night campaign. If you are new to D&D, this is a great intro. If you have some tabletop role playing experience, but want to find more people to play, this is your group! 7-12th grades need to pre-register to save your place. Snacks provided. Please visit our online calendar to register.

## ADULT PROGRAMS

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### CHESS CLUB

**October 1 & 15 || 9 AM - 12 PM**

### THAT'S YESTERDAY'S NEWS

**October 1 || 10 AM**

Join local historian, Terry Abrisz, for some coffee, rolls and Burlington history. Terry uses the local newspaper to share the story of the community with a different topic each month. No registration required.

## DROP-IN TECH HELP

**Tuesdays, October 4, 11, 18 & 25 || 3-4 PM**

Bring in your iPad, Kindle, Chromebook, smartphone, and more to the Burlington Public Library for technology help. We can assist you in setting it up and even show you some great library resources that you can use on your digital device! No registration necessary.

## CREATIVE CRAFTERS

**October 5 || 1:30 PM**

Come make a pumpkin, we will paint and decorate a wooden pumpkin to add to your Fall festivities. Registration required; please visit our online calendar to register.

## FIRST FRIDAYS: REMEMBERING THE APRON WITH SHEILA CRAIG

**October 7 || 10 AM**

A nostalgic look at the apron plus the fabrics, styles, and the many different ways they were used by the people from our past. Join Sheila Craig, a grandmother with a collection of aprons, for an interactive and hands-on look at a wide variety of fabrics, trims and styles of aprons. Refreshments provided by Addington Place.

## SHELF INDULGENCE BOOK CLUB

**Thursday, October 13 || 6:30 PM**

Adults who love Teen Lit, this is for you! Join Becky Ruberg to talk about your favorite books, get ideas for your TBR pile and meet other people equally obsessed. In this first meeting we will be deciding what we want to read for next time, how often we want to meet, and the best snacks to have for discussing books!

## BEYOND THE BOOK CLUB

**October 20 || 12-1 PM**

Join us as we discuss Love of Color by Bolu Babalola. Focusing on the magical folktales of West Africa, Babalola reimagines Greek myths, ancient legends from the Middle East, and stories from long-erased places. Print copies available at customer service desk, ebook and audiobook available on the Hoopla app and ebook on the Libby app. No registration necessary.

## THIRD THURSDAY AT HOOVERS

**October 20 || 6 PM via Zoom**

## MYSTERY BOOK CLUB

**October 25 || 12 PM**

Do you love mysteries? Join this new group as we develop and grow the Burlington Mystery Book Club! This month we're reading Banker by Dick Francis. Print copies available at the Customer Service desk, and the audiobook is available on the Hoopla app. Registration encouraged. Please call 319-753-1647 or visit our online calendar to register.

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**OCTOBER 22**

**10AM - 2PM**

**PUMPKIN PALOOZA**

**DECORATE YOUR VERY OWN  
SILLY OR SPOOKY PUMPKIN!**