

THAYER PUBLIC LIBRARY
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The Library is located directly across from Town Hall.

Fall Hours

Monday - Thursday
9:00 AM - 9:00 PM
Friday and Saturday
9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

The Library will be closed
Monday, October 14th for
Columbus Day.

To find out about ALL the events that the library offers each month sign up for our monthly e-newsletter!



Library Connections

The Newsletter of Thayer Public Library

OCTOBER 2024

Shaping the Library's Future

After celebrating 125 years in the community, Thayer Public Library is excited to look toward the future again! To ensure we continue to meet the evolving needs of our community, we are embarking on a comprehensive space needs assessment.

We are seeking volunteers to support this library space planning process by completing a brief survey at www.thayerpubliclibrary.org/community-engagement. Your feedback will play a vital role in shaping the future of our library. Print copies will be available.

The survey will ask if you are also interested in possibly joining a focus group. While all library users are invited to fill out the survey, focus group participants will be limited to Braintree residents.

Trick or Treat: Signs and Sweets

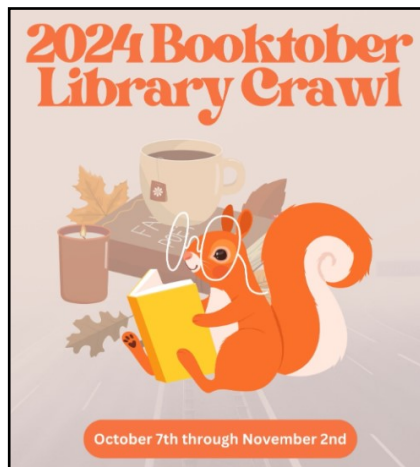


Enjoy a spooktacular time at **Trick or Treat: Signs and Sweets** on **Wednesday, October 30, 6-7 pm**. Starting at 6 pm, swing visit our exciting stations in the Children's Room, where you'll learn a Halloween-themed American Sign Language (ASL) sign from teen volunteers —and earn a sweet treat for your efforts!

Then move on to Logan Auditorium, where games and a mini dance party will get everyone into the spooky spirit! Costumes are encouraged, but not required.

This event is open to all youth, so just drop in and join the fun

Booktober Library Crawl



Join us for the Booktober Library Crawl (formerly the OCLN Library Crawl). The Booktober Library Crawl runs **October 7th to November 2nd**. Visit as many of the 22 participating libraries as you can to collect passport stamps and earn prizes! Free & fun for all ages!

Visit malibraryroadtrip.com/booktober to plan your trips, and don't forget to get your first stamp here!

Featured Library Crawl events include:

Board Games for Adults	Tues., Oct. 15, 7-8:30 pm
Johnny Cash: Songs & Stories	Thurs., Oct. 17, 7-8 pm
Fall Concert Series	Sat., Oct. 19, 3-4 pm
Red Ribbon Storytime	Tues., Oct. 22, 10 am
Retro Video Gaming for Adults	Tues., Oct. 22, 5:30 pm
Silent Book Club for Adults	Tues., Oct. 29, 6-7:30 pm
Trick or Treat: Signs & Sweets	Wed., Oct. 30, 6-7 pm

Johnny Cash: Songs & Stories with Matt York



Longtime New England musician and author Matt York joins us on **Thursday, October 17th at 7:00 pm** in Logan Auditorium to perform the songs of Johnny Cash and share stories about Cash's career spanning from the 1950s to his passing in 2003. He'll discuss Cash's emergence as a groundbreaking artist in the 1950's, his marriage to June Carter, and many of his other career highlights.

Recently nominated for the 2023 Boston Music Award for "Best Country Artist", Matt York lives on the South Shore of MA and has traveled extensively through the years performing his own songs and his shows about the *The Highwaymen: Songs & Stories*. If you'd like info on Matt's original music and gigs, check out www.mattYorkmusic.com.

In both 2022 and 2023, York was nominated for the Boston Music Award for Best Country Artist and his album "Gently Used" was named one of the Patriot Ledger's best albums of 2022. In 2019, The Boston Globe named Matt York's new album "Bruisable Heart" one of their top albums.

Matt grew up in Foxboro, Massachusetts and began playing the clubs of Boston as a teenager. Since then, he's played on stages throughout the United States and Canada.

This program is supported in part by a grant from the Braintree Local Cultural Council, a local agency which is supported by the Mass Cultural Council, a state agency.

More than G-Mail: Your Google Account



Did you know that your G-Mail account gives you access to more Google services than just email? It also allows you to personalize other Google products in ways that you may not have realized was possible. Type letters, create spreadsheets, slideshows, flyers, and more -- and save it all on your Google Drive in the cloud. Collaborate with others on your projects by sharing on your Google Drive.

Learn some of the other ways you can use your Google account at this presentation on **Wednesday, October 23rd from 2:30 pm to 3:30 pm in Logan Auditorium**. Register online, in person at the Reference Desk, or over the phone at 781-848-0405, ext. 4417.

We will also discuss how your Google account works with the library's new Chromebooks. Chromebooks are available to borrow for up to four hours in the library. Ask about them in the Reference and Young Adult departments.

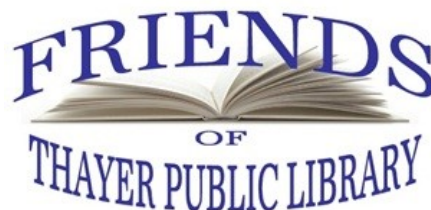
Friends of the Library Annual Meeting

October is Membership Month for the Friends of the Library! If you are already a member, be on the lookout for a reminder letter about your renewal. If you are not a member, this is the perfect time to join the Friends.

The Friends fund the following: museum passes, the license for movies, Ancestry.com, Kanopy streaming service, book sale area, as well as providing financial support for the Library's garden and emergency financial aid when necessary.

Please consider becoming a Friend of the Library to help us to continue to provide all of the above benefits. You can find forms to become a Friend at various places throughout the Library and online at www.thayerpubliclibrary.org/friends-of-the-library.

Want to learn more about the Friends of Thayer Public Library? Come to the annual meeting on **Monday, October 21st from 10:00 am to noon in Conference Room A on the Upper Level**.



Genealogy Club Update: Monthly meeting will be Oct. 19th.