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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 14<sup>th</sup> 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 <u>www.thayerpubliclibrary.org/community-engagement</u>. 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.

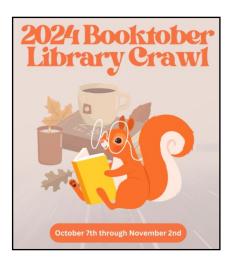
### Trick or Treat: Signs and Sweets



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.

### **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 <u>malibraryroadtrip.com/booktober</u> to plan your trips, and don't forget to get your first stamp here!

Featured Library Crawl events include:

Board Games for Adults
Johnny Cash: Songs & Stories
Fall Concert Series
Red Ribbon Storytime
Retro Video Gaming for Adults
Silent Book Club for Adults
Trick or Treat: Signs & Sweets

Tues., Oct. 15, 7-8:30 pm Thurs., Oct. 17, 7-8 pm Sat., Oct. 19, 3-4 pm Tues., Oct. 22, 10 am Tues., Oct. 22, 5:30 pm Tues., Oct. 29, 6-7:30 pm

Wed., Oct. 30, 6-7 pm

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#### 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 <a href="https://www.mattyorkmusic.com">www.mattyorkmusic.com</a>.

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.

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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 <a href="https://www.thayerpubliclibrary.org/friends-of-the-library">www.thayerpubliclibrary.org/friends-of-the-library</a>.

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.