

Boone Area Library (610) 582-5510

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Hello, October



CELEBRATE LOCAL HISTORY WITH THE LIBRARY

Come to the library on Friday, October 17th and Saturday, October 18th to pick up a Re-Photography Activity Kit.

'Re-Photography' is the art of aligning an old photograph with its present-day scenery to recapture the image. Each Re-Photography Activity Pack comes with copies of three vintage black-and-white photos of Birdsboro. We're challenging you to figure out where these photos were taken, and then to recapture them in a 're-photography' shot. Once you're happy with your picture, send it to us at boone@berks.lib.pa.us

All re-photographs will be featured in our upcoming local history display with a brief write-up of the location (alongside your name, of course!)

Enlist your family members and friends to help, enjoy a stroll through Birdsboro in this glorious Autumn weather, and learn a bit of local history along the way!

All Re-Photography Packs come with three pictures, a vintage map of Birdsboro, a photo-sleeve refrigerator magnet, and a camera lens bracelet.



Photo by Nomad Tales @Flickr

TRICK-OR-TREAT AT THE LIBRARY

While the pandemic has put the breaks on most of our seasonal plans, we are encouraging patrons of all ages to come visit the library in costume on Saturday, October 24th from 9:00am - 2:00pm to get a treat!

Treats will be individually wrapped and pre-selected to avoid contamination.

Participants who are willing to be photographed will be featured on our Facebook page!



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CHILDREN'S CORNER

- Children's Zoom Storytime every Monday at 10:15 AM
- Read at the Park: Main Bird Park, every Wednesday from 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM
- Read at the Park: Amity, every Friday from 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM
- STEM kits available 10/06



NEW COLORS FOR AUTUMN

On September 27th, the MCC Serve Team volunteered their time to help library staff give the main room some much-needed TLC. We've painted the walls and fixed some lighting issues, and we're so pleased with the results! This project coincided with some renovation work in the Bookstore room. Thanks to the generous out-pouring of support from patrons in response to our Summer Giving Letter Campaign, we were able to fix an issue with the back wall and repaint the entire space. We can't wait until the COVID-19 restrictions are lifted, and the Bookstore Room becomes a comfy place to sit and

chat with friends again.

These renovations are part of a general movement towards sprucing up the library. "The pandemic has shown us just how vital an institution the library still is to our community," said library director Crescenda Long. "We want everyone to feel safe and welcome in this shared space. We're lucky enough to be located inside of an historic building, and we want to showcase its history and its beauty." The library is so grateful for the support of patrons like you. We hope you enjoy the new look as much as we do!

Thanks to the generosity of patrons and the MCC Serve Team, we've been able to give the library a much-needed face lift.

OCTOBER BOOK CLUB SELECTIONS

New readers welcome!

Book Lover's Unite

Reading: Nickel Boys by Colson

Whitehead

Meets: October 23

Eagle's Eye Book Club

Reading: The Great Alone by

Kristen Hannah

Meets: October 13 at 1:30PM

Youth Book Club

Reading: Out of My Mind by

Sharon M. Draper

Meets: Every Thursday on Zoom

at 4:30 PM

For more info: email boone@berks.lib.pa.us

MEET THE STAFF



Crescenda, Library Director

Superpower: 日本語が話せます! **Favorite Jedi:** Obi-Wan Kenobi

Best Fictional Villain: Iago, from Shakespeare's Othello



Sarah, Youth Coordinator

Superpower: Can fall asleep watching any movie

Favorite Food: Veggie burrito

Best Fictional Villain: Miss Trunchbull, from Matilda



Ashley, Library Aide

Superpower: Baking cookies

Favorite Book: Girl with a Pearl Earning by Tracy Chevalier Best Fictional Villain: Captain Gantu, from Lilo & Stitch



Elena, Library Aide

Superpower: Telekinesis

 $\textbf{Favorite Book:} \textit{Needful Things} \ \text{by Stephen King}$

Best Fictional Villain: John Kramer, from the Jigsaw / Saw series



Ethan, Library Aide

Superpower: 20/20 vision (but only in the dark)

Favorite Plant: Cactus

Best Fictional Villain: Skeletor, from He-Man



NEW ADULT FICTION FOR OCTOBER

A Stitch in Time / Kelley Armstrong
In the Lion's Den / Barbara Taylor Bradford
Return to Virgin River / Robyn Carr
The Sentinel / Lee & Andrew Child
The Wonder Boy of Whistle Stop / Fannie Flagg

A Time for Mercy / John Crisham

Troubles in Paradise / Elin Hilderbrand

Magic Lessons / Alice Hoffman

You Betrayed Me / Lisa Jackson

Shakeup / Stuart Woods

Black Sun / Rebecca Roanhorse

Dear Child / Romy Hausmann

Leave the World Behind / Rumaan Alam

Plain Bad Heroines / Emily Danforth

We Were Restless Things / Cole Nagamatsu

 $One\ Bright\ Christmas\ /\ Katherine\ Spencer$

Jingle All the Way / Debbie Macomber

The Noel Letters / Richard Paul Evans

Truly, Madly, Deeply / Karen Kingsbury

Love Your Life / Sophie Kinsella

Elsewhere / Dean Koontz

Cardiff, By the Sea / Joyce Carol Oates

Three Women Disappear / James Patterson

Forever By Your Side / Tracie Peterson

A Song for the Dark Times / Ian Rankin

How to Raise an Elephant / Alexander M. Smith

Confessions on the 7:45 / Lisa Unger

Before the Ruins / Victoria Gosling

Conspiracy / S. J. Parris

The Devil and the Dark Water / Stuart Turton

Over the Woodward Wall / Deborah Baker

The Silence / Don Delillo

Weird Women / Leslie Klinger

A California Christmas / Brenda Novak

The Christmas Table / Donna VanLiere

OCTOBER STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS

Crescenda's Recommendation:

Lincoln in the Bardo by George Saunders

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February 1862.
President Lincoln's beloved eleven-year-old son, Willie, lies gravely ill. In a matter of days, Willie dies and is laid to rest in a Georgetown cemetery. Newspapers report

that a grief-stricken Lincoln returns to the crypt several times to hold his boy's body.

From that seed of historical truth, Saunders spins an unforgettable story of familial love and loss that breaks free of its historical framework into a supernatural realm both hilarious and terrifying. Willie Lincoln finds himself in a strange purgatory where ghosts mingle, gripe, commiserate, quarrel, and enact bizarre acts of penance. Within this transitional state—called, in the Tibetan tradition, the bardo—a monumental struggle erupts over young Willie's soul.

Sarah's Recommendation:

Leaf Trouble by Jonathan Emmett, Illustrated by Caroline Jayne Church



As the leaves on the trees go from green to red and gold, two curious squirrels embrace the change of seasons! When he wakes

up one morning to find that his home tree is changing, the little squirrel is scared! Why are all the leaves falling off? Quickly he corrals his sister and they gather up the leaves in colorful pawfuls. But try as they may to stick them back on the branches, it's hopeless: Yellow, orange, red, and brown, all the leaves keep falling down!

It's only when their wise mama explains what happens in autumn that the two little squirrels understand the seasons are changing. Green leaves will sprout anew in spring!

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OCTOBER STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS

Ethan's Pick:

Blue Highways by William Least Heat-Moon



Hailed as a master piece of America travel writing, *Blue Highways* is an unforgettable journey along our nation's backroads.

William Least Heat-Moon set out with little more than the need to put home behind him and a sense of curiosity about "those little towns that get on the map -- if they get on at all -- only because some cartographer has a blank space to fill: "Remote, Oregon; Simplicity, Virginia; New Freedom, Pennsylvania; New Hope, Tennessee; Why, Arizona; Whynot, Mississippi."

His adventures, his discoveries, and his recollections of the extraordinary people he encountered along the way amount to a revelation of the true American experience.

Elena's Pick:

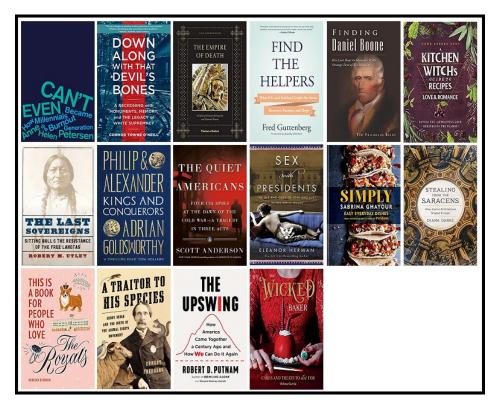
Halloween (1978)



On a cold Halloween night in 1963, six year old Michael Myers brutally murdered his 17-year-old sister, Judith. He

was sentenced and locked away for 15 years. But on October 30, 1978, while being transferred for a court date, a 21-year-old Michael Myers steals a car and escapes Smith's Grove. He returns to his quiet hometown of Haddonfield, Illinois, where he looks for his next victims.

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NEW ADULT NONFICTION FOR OCTOBER

Can't Even: How Millennials Became the Burnout Generation / Anne Helen Petersen

Down Along with the Devils Bones: A Reckoning with Monuments, Memory, and the Legacy of White Supremacy / Connor Towne O'Neill

The Empire of Death: A Cultural History of Ossuaries and Charnel Houses / Paul Koudounaris

 $\textit{Find the Helpers: What 9/11 and Parkland Taught Me About Recovery, Purpose, and Hope / \textit{Fred Guttenberg}}$

Finding Daniel Boone: His Last Days in Missouri & The Strange Fate of His Remains / Ted Franklin Belue

A Kitchen Witch's Guide to Recipes for Love and Romance / Dawn Aurora Hunt

The Last Sovereigns: Sitting Bull & The Resistance of the Free Lahotas / Robert M. Utley

Philip & Alexander: Kings and Conquerors / Adrian Goldsworthy

 $\textit{The Quiet Americans: Four CIA Spies at the Dawn of the Cold War-A Tragedy in 3 Acts / Scott Anderson$

Sex with Presidents: The Ins and Outs of Love and Lust in the White House / Eleanor Herman

Simply: Easy Everyday Dishes / Sabrina Ghayour

 ${\it Stealing from the Saracens: How Islamic Architecture Shaped Europe / Diana Darke}$

This is a Book for People Who Love the Royals / Rebecca Stoeker

 $\label{lem:animal_reg} \textit{A Traitor to His Species: Henry Berge and the Birth of the Animal Rights Movement / Ernest Freeberg$

The Upswing: How America Came Together a Century Ago and How We Can Do It Again / Robert D. Putnam

The Wicked Baker: Cakes and Treats to Die For / Helena Garcia

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

There are many ways that you can help support the Boone Area Library -- and most of them are free! Every single cent helps us keep our programs running for your community. We sincerely appreciate your support!

Redner's Receipts: Save your receipts every time you stop at Redner's Markets. Through their Save-a-Tape program, a percentage of every receipt total that we turn in goes towards the library. Help us reach our goal of \$1,200 by the end of the year -- bring your receipts to the library today!

Boyer's Key Tag Program: Ask your cashier to scan your Boone Area Library key tag every time you shop at Boyer's Markets. A percentage of the total proceeds generated throughout the year goes to the library! Key tags are available now for free during regular and curbside hours. Pick up yours today!

Amazon Smile: Use smile.amazon.com every time you shop at Amazon, and select 'Boone Area Library, Inc.' as your charity. A portion of all proceeds will be donated to the library!



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NEW YA FICTION FOR OCTOBER

The Lives of Saints / Leigh Bardugo

Poisoned / Jennifer Donnelly

The Woods Are Always Watching / Stephanie Perkins

Long Way Down / Jason Reynolds

All the Things We Do in the Dark / Saundra Mitchell

Deadly Curious / Cindy Anstey

Watch Over Me / Nina Lacour

The Edge of Anything / Nora Carpenter
The Fangirl's Guide to the Universe
A Golden Fury / Samantha Cohoe
Kent State / Deborah Wiles
Kingdom of the Wicked / Kerri Maniscalo
The Mall / Megan McCafferty
We Are Not Free / Traci Chee

OCTOBER STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS

Ashley's Pick:

First Frost by Sarah Addison Allen

It's October in Bascom, North Carolina, and autumn will not go quietly. As temperatures drop and leaves begin to turn, the Waverley



women are made restless by the whims of their mischievous apple tree... and all the magic that swirls around it. But this year, first frost has much more in store.

When a mysterious stranger shows up and challenges the very heart of their family, each of them must make choices they have never confronted before. And through it all, the Waverley sisters must search for a way to hold their family together through their troublesome season of change, waiting for that extraordinary event that is First Frost.

ADULT AUTUMN PACKS

Starting on Saturday, October 3rd, we will have Adult Autumn Packs available at the library! Relax into the new season this month with a cup of hot chocolate in a cute jack-o-lantern mug as you write out your To-Do lists in a fun patterned notebook with a witch's broom pen. They're sweetly spooky, just like October -- be sure to pick up yours this week!



10/05 - 10/10: Fire Safety Bookmarks and Dalmatian Craft
 10/12 - 10/17: Flapping Bat Craft and Magic Color Scratch Bat
 10/19 - 10/24: Leafy Hedgehog Magnet and Leaf Necklace Craft
 10/26 - 10/31: Halloween Bracelet and Candy Corn Craft

All craft packs are available throughout the week beginning on Monday, while supplies last. Come to the library to pick up yours during regular and curbside hours, no appointment necessary!

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Boone Area Library Monthly Newsletter October, 2020

Sign up today to receive November's newsletter in your email (in color!) Ask a staff member or send a message to boone@berks.lib.pa.us to register.

<u>Curbside Hours</u> <u>Open Hours</u>

Monday: 9:00 AM—1:00 PM Tuesday: 2:00 PM—7:00 PM Wednesday: 9:00 AM—1:00 PM Friday: 9:00 AM—2:00 PM Thursday: 4:00 PM—7:00 PM Saturday: 9:00 AM—2:00 PM