



# Library Life

The Official Newsletter of Bridgeport Public Library

October 2026

Come celebrate fall with us- fun for all ages! Pumpkins provided by Johnson's Pumpkin Farm, snacks provided by the library. Free to attend, registration is requested!

## Pumpkin Carving & Painting



Friday, October 23 from 2-4 pm

## HOURS

Monday: 9 am - 7 pm

Tuesday: 9 am - 7 pm

Wednesday: 9 am - 7 pm

Thursday: 9 am - 7 pm

Friday: 9 am - 5 pm

Saturday: 9 am - 2 pm

Sunday: Closed

Closed 11/11 for

Veteran's Day

## Nominate Local Veterans

We're asking patrons to nominate Bridgeport veterans for our upcoming **'Stories of Service'** feature in honor of Veterans Day on November 11. Veterans may also nominate themselves, though many are far too humble, which is why we encourage friends and loved ones to step forward as well. Please include a photo and a brief statement about where and when they served, along with any fun facts or current highlights such as career achievements, education, community involvement, or favorite hobbies. It's a meaningful way to honor those who've made a lasting impact in our lives and community.

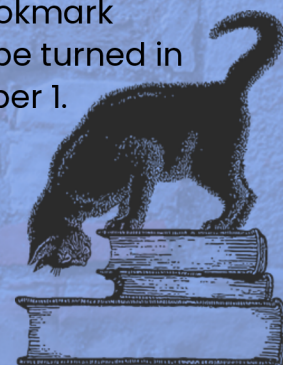
By **October 23**, please send submissions to [c.stephens@bridgeportlibrary.org](mailto:c.stephens@bridgeportlibrary.org)

## Fall Reading Challenge

Our Fall Reading Program is for readers of all ages- Stop in and pick up a tracking bookmark from the circulation desk.

Completed bookmark trackers must be turned in before November 1.

You have two opportunities to win a prize! See Page 2 for details.





## Fall Reading Challenge, October 1-31

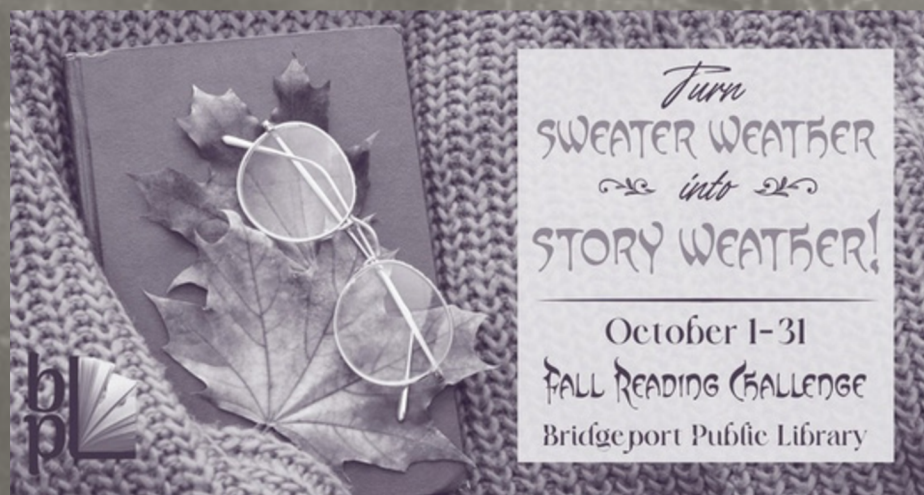
Our Fall Reading Program is for readers of all ages- Stop in and pick up a tracking bookmark from the circulation desk. The bookmark features bookshelves and cats!

Color in one book on the "shelf" for every 20 minutes you read. Complete all 25 for 8 hours 20 minutes of reading.

Novels, magazines, online articles, and reading aloud to kids all count!

Turn in your completed bookmark to choose a prize from our prize room and be entered into the surprise grand prize drawing.

Bookmarks must have your name and phone number written on them and be turned in before November 1.



## Eyeball

### Scavenger Hunt

Ever feel like you are being watched in the library?

That is because you ARE!

There are six eyeballs on the loose!

It is a mystery as to how, but these watchful eyes move through the library each night, only to be found in an entirely different place each day.

Stop into the library and find one -or all- of them for your pick of a prize!

You are able to win once per day, everyday in the month of October.



## Place YOUR Jack O' Lantern on Our Patron Participation Wall

Help Us Grow Our Patron Pumpkin Patch!

Stop by the library and decorate your very own paper pumpkin! Get creative and add your personal style and flair.

You can decorate your pumpkin here at the library or take it home, work your magic, and bring it back when you're finished.

We'll add your creation to our Patron Pumpkin Patch and watch our collection grow throughout the season. We can't wait to see what you create!

## Murder Mystery

A crime. A cast of suspects. And one big mystery. Ask us about our upcoming Murder Mystery on November 13.

Register early to receive your character assignment and "script" ahead of time. There is no line memorization, so no need to worry. Costumes are encouraged, and a flair for the dramatic is always welcome!



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| MONDAY                                                                                                  | TUESDAY                                                                                                                                        | WEDNESDAY                                                                                                                                                   | THURSDAY                                                                                                                                                                           | FRIDAY                                                                                                         | SATURDAY                                                                     |
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| Kid's Take & Make Craft: Handprint Ghost                                                                | Fall Reading Challenge Bookmark 10/1-10/31                                                                                                     | Scavenger Hunt: Find the Hidden Eyeballs 10/1-10/31                                                                                                         | 1                                                                                                                                                                                  | 2                                                                                                              | 3                                                                            |
| 5<br><br>CANCELED<br>Hot Yoga:<br>5:30-6p<br>Adult                                                      | 6<br>Story Hour:<br>10:30-11:30a<br>Kids<br><br>Creative Writing:<br>5:30-6:30p<br>Adult<br><br>After Hours<br>Free-Write:<br>6:30-9p<br>Adult | 7<br>Craft & Movie:<br>7-8p - Adult<br><br>STEAM Mini<br>Maker's Lab :<br>Strawberry DNA<br>5:30-6:30p-<br>Ages 8-14<br><br>Slow Flow Yoga:<br>7-8p - Adult | 8<br>Self Led Health-<br>Blood Pressure:<br>5:30-6:30p<br>Adult                                                                                                                    | 9<br>High Intensity<br>Interval Training<br>6:30-7a<br>Adult                                                   | 10<br>Haunted<br>Museum<br>w/ author<br>Nicole<br>Beauchamp<br>5-7p<br>Adult |
| 12<br>Teen Life Skills:<br>Business Plan<br>3-4p<br>Ages 13-18<br><br><br>Hot Yoga:<br>5:30-6p<br>Adult | 13<br>Story Hour:<br>10:30-11:30a<br>Kids                                                                                                      | 14<br><br>Slow Flow Yoga:<br>7-8p - Adult                                                                                                                   | 15<br>Digressing Divas<br>Book Club:<br>12:30-2:30p -<br>Adult<br>Adult DIY Club:<br>NICU Incubator<br>Blankets<br>5:30-6:30pm<br>Adult<br>Spanish Dance<br>Class:<br>7-8p - Adult | 16<br>High Intensity<br>Interval Training<br>6:30-7a<br>Adult<br><br>Family Pizza<br>Night<br>5-7p<br>All Ages | 17                                                                           |

Register online, over the phone, or in person.  
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| 19<br>Anime Club 5:30-6:30p Ages 12-18 Teen<br>Hot Yoga: 5:30-6p - Adult                         | 20<br>Story Hour: 10:30-11:30a Kids                | 21<br>Slow Flow Yoga: 7-8p - Adult                  | 22<br>Youth Yoga Ages 5-12 5:30-6:30p Kids | 23<br>High Intensity Interval Training 6:30-7a Adult<br>Pumpkin Carving & Painting 2-4p All Ages | 24                                                             |
| 26<br>Youth Exotic Food Tasting: Avocado & Banana 3:30-4:30p - Kids<br>Hot Yoga: 5:30-6p - Adult | 27<br>Story Hour: 10:30-11:30a - Kids              | 28<br>Slow Flow Yoga: 7-8p - Adult                  | 29                                         | 30<br>High Intensity Interval Training 6:30-7a Adult                                             | 31<br>Trunk - or - Treat at Bridgeport Historical Society 5-7p |

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# Community Connection

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**Local businesses, nonprofits, and community groups—we want to spotlight YOU.**

*If you or someone you know are doing meaningful work in Saginaw, Bridgeport, or Spaulding, we encourage you to share your story with us.*

This feature is not for commercial promotion, but for celebrating positive community impact. We want to acknowledge things like volunteer efforts, local initiatives, environmental projects, or recognizing an outstanding employee, volunteer, or committee member. We're here to highlight contributions that strengthen and uplift our community. You can also nominate a business, organization, or individual for our Community Connection Spotlight, or recognize a VIP—Very Important Patron—who makes Bridgeport brighter.

**This is your chance to shine, connect, and inspire!**

*Submit your feature or nomination today and help us celebrate the people who make our community amazing.*

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# *A Look Ahead...*



**NOVEMBER: INTERNATIONAL GAMES MONTH**

**11/5 THE ART OF WRITING A NOVEL**

**11/13 MURDER MYSTERY**

**DECEMBER: WRAP YOUR OWN GIFTS**

**12/17 ADULT DIY BATH BOMBS & LIP BALM**