



October 2020

Happy October!

We have so many great things planned for this October. Join in a virtual author talk with bestselling author Erica Bauermeister, learn a new stitch with the Crochet Circle, have some Green Screen Halloween fun, and more!



October is Canadian Library Month!

October 4 – 10 First Nations Public Library Week

October 16 Library Workers' Day

October 18–24 Ontario Public Library Week

October 26 Canadian School Library Day

Follow us on Twitter, Facebook, or Instagram for contests during Ontario Public Library Week!



Library Pick-Up

Getting books from the Library is as easy as 1,2,3

1. Place a hold online or by phone
2. Wait for the Library to call to schedule a pick up time
3. Arrive at your scheduled time to pick up!



New! Saturday Pick Up Hours

Saturday morning hold pick-ups will be available starting Saturday October 3!



Thanksgiving Hours:

Sat. Oct. 10: pick-up 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Sun. Oct. 11: closed

Mon. Oct. 12: closed



Library Service Interruption:

Library Services will be limited on:

Tue. Oct. 13 Wed. Oct. 14 Thu. Oct. 15

At this time, staff may be unavailable by phone, Library Pick-Up will be unavailable, Local History queries will be postponed. E-Resources will not be affected.



Book Return

Our Book Return is open 24/7!

All returned library items are quarantined before they are checked in.



Library Board Meeting

Tuesday October 13, 2020

7:00 PM

While the Library is closed to the public due to COVID-19, Library Board meetings will take place electronically. Members of the public are invited to view the proceedings via <https://bracebridge.ca/en/town-services/Webcasts.aspx> . The meeting agenda will be posted to the Library website at least 48 hours prior to the meeting.



New Titles!

Find new titles in our online catalogue by typing in an asterisk (*) and filtering your search results!

Link for [New adult books](#)

Link for [New DVDs](#)

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Fun for All Ages!



Halloween Green Screen

Saturday October 24, 2020

11:00 AM – 2:00 PM

Drop in to the parking lot for some Halloween Green Screen fun! Choose one of the Halloween backgrounds and have your picture taken. Our staff will email you the photo just in time for Halloween! Costumes and pets welcome! Free!

Children & Teen Services



Library Story Walk

October 19 – 24

We are setting up a story walk in the Library garden! "Bear Sees Colors" is the perfect book for fall. The story walk will be available outside anytime during Ontario Public Library Week.

Online Library Programs

Ashleigh has created tons of online storytimes, crafts, and even science experiments! Find them on our YouTube Channel.



Book Help

Need help selecting books for your family? Let our Librarians help! Our staff will help you select books for schooling, literacy, and even bedtime.



Parents do you know that all of our children's materials are not only quarantined for 72 hours, but are also sanitized when necessary before they are re-shelved?

Adult Services



Sensational Summer Reading Contest

We are extending the due date of the Sensational Summer Reading Contest ballots. Readers now have until November 23 to return ballots. Titles for this year are:

Chasing Painted Horses by Drew Hayden Taylor

The Falcon Thief by Joshua Hammer

The Giver of Stars by Jojo Moyes

Greenwood by Michael Christie

Heat Wave by Maureen Jennings

House Lessons by Erica Bauermeister

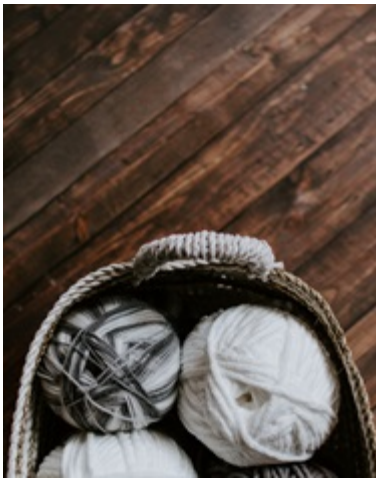
Long Bright River by Liz Moore

Redhead by the Side of the Road by Anne Tyler

1-on-1 Tech Training



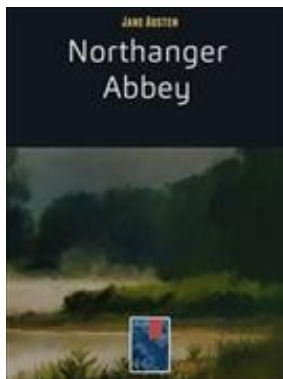
Need help with your tech? Our staff can help! Book a Skype or Zoom appointment at info@bracebridgelibrary.ca. Free!



Virtual Crochet Circle

Tuesday October 20, 2020
Noon – 1:00 PM

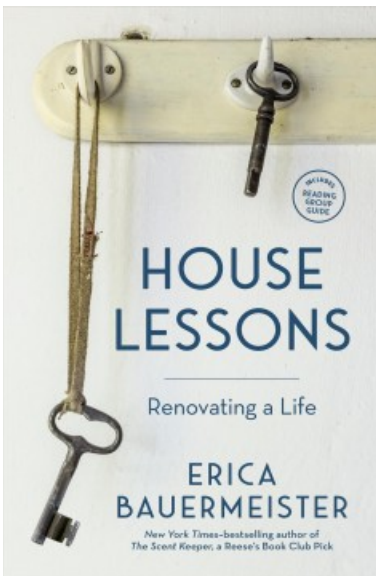
October is the perfect time to make a cozy throw! Join in for a lunch-time chat all about corner-to-corner crochet. Pick up some tips and learn a new stitch. All welcome. Email info@bracebridgelibrary.ca for a link to the Zoom meeting.



Jane Austen Book Club

Saturday October 17, 2020
10:30 AM – 11:30 AM

This month we are discussing "**Northanger Abbey**". Email info@bracebridgelibrary.ca to get the link to the Zoom meeting. All welcome.



Virtual Author Talk with Erica Bauermeister

Thursday October 22, 2020
6:30 PM – 7:30 PM

We are thrilled to announce a virtual author talk with the author of *House Lessons* – Erica Bauermeister! Not only has she written one of this year's Sensational Summer Reading books but you may also recognize her name from her bestselling novels like *The School of Essential Ingredients*. RSVP to this Zoom event at info@bracebridgelibrary.ca Free!

From the Library Board

Library Expansion Update

The Provincial government released its decision on the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program (ICIP) grants in late August. The Bracebridge Public

Library Board along with many in the Town of Bracebridge reacted with dismay and great disappointment that our town's grant proposal for the Multi-Use Community Centre (MUCC) was not one of the few that was selected for funding.

Infrastructure work encompasses many concepts and our designed multi-use facility plans (now shovel-ready) includes the replacement of old technology, crumbling structures, undersized and out-of-date buildings. The 70+ yr. old Memorial hockey arena now requires significant funds to keep it functioning. Our beloved Carnegie library, while a lovely heritage building at 112 years old and still largely sound... is grossly undersized for the community it now serves. The undersized and cramped quarters of the current facility is clearly evident as the library struggles to adapt to required physical distancing and strict cleanliness guidelines as directed by health officials to deal with the COVID-19 pandemic.

The realities of economics are now in front us as we decide how best to proceed... as move forward we must. Part of the planning process of this joint facility involved contingency plans for funding shortfalls and the possibility that the project may have to move ahead in phased development. Due to infrastructure end-of-life considerations, the arena takes precedence as Phase 1. The library facility is set as Phase 2 and the fieldhouse will be Phase 3. The Town will continue to seek out and apply for future funding opportunities which will expedite the construction of the MUCC. Library staff and the Board continue to be involved in the ongoing Steering Committee work as these plans evolve and adapt. We remain a vital part of this community as we all move forward.

Barb Hutchinson
Library Board Chair

I'm so glad to live in a world where there are Octobers
– L M Montgomery, Anne of Green Gables

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