

October is a traditional month for lots of **new book releases!** Here are some of them:

Better Off Dead by Lee Child

The Judge’s List by John Grisham

State of Terror by Louise Penny

Crossroads by Jonathan Franzen

Foul Play by Stuart Woods

The Butler by Danielle Steel

2 Sisters Detective Agency by James Patterson

Oh William! By Elizabeth Strout

Forgiving Paris by Karen Kingsbury

Silverview by John LeCarre

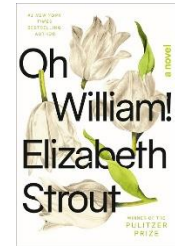
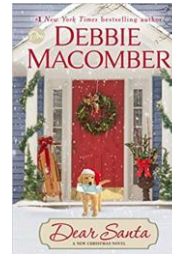
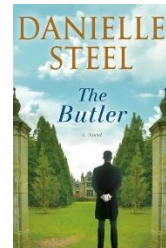
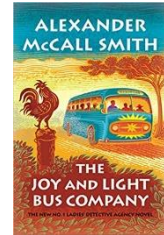
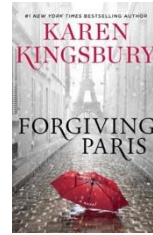
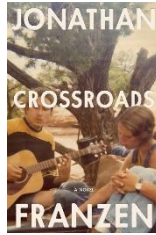
Dear Santa by Debbie Macomber

The Joy and Light Bus Company by Alexander McCall Smith

The Party Crasher by Sophie Kinsella

The Nameless Ones by John Connolly

Down the Hatch by M. C. Beaton



I am thrilled to share that I am once again reading to actual, live children! As of this time, Mission Grade One has been completed and I now have the following story times each week:

Tuesdays at 10:30 AM: Stories on the lawn for ages 2 to 6 (will move to children’s room when it’s too cold)

Wednesdays at 3:30 PM: Read aloud at Sunrise Kids After School Care

Thursdays at 9:30 AM: Kindergarten Story Time

Thursdays at 1 PM: Second Grade Story Time

Alternate Fridays at 2 PM: Read Aloud with Mrs. Rohrbaugh’s 5th grade at OLA.



Also, Mrs. Bucks (librarian at Park) and I are arranging class tours for October and November. The first one scheduled is two of our kindergartens coming Friday, October 8.

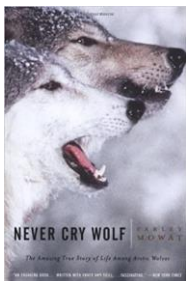
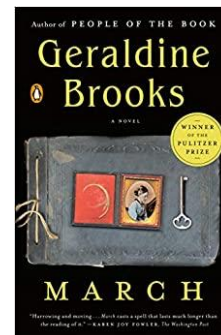
Story time sessions at St. John Neumann’s School and Head Start will be scheduled soon!

Some **in-person programs for ADULTs:**



Crochet along with Kasey is beginning a new project!! Crocheted Pumpkins are easier than they look. Supplies: Any worsted or chunky weight yarn - (if worsted yarn Kasey recommends an H/5mm hook; If chunky yarn, Kasey recommends a K/6.5mm hook). One ball or skein should be plenty for the project. Also needed are stitch markers, scissors, Polyfil stuffing, and a yarn needle. Dates for October are October 12 and October 26 (Tuesdays) at 6:30 PM at the library.

The Bibliomaniacs Book Club will be discussing **“March”** by **Geraldine Brooks** on **Wednesday, November 3, at 4:45 PM.** Everyone knows Amy, Jo, Beth and Meg from “Little Women” – but little is known about their father who is off serving as a chaplain in the Civil War. This fictionalized account of Mr. March’s life: his abolitionist views, the horrors he sees in war, and the challenges to his beliefs. Louisa May Alcott based this character on her own father, Bronson Alcott, and Geraldine Brooks remains true to that vision in her character development. This book also received the Pulitzer Prize. Start reading now for the discussion on November 3rd!

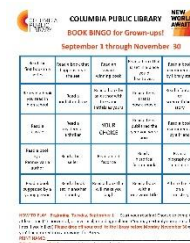


Also meeting Wednesday, November 3, at 6 PM is the **Classics Club.** Well-known naturalist and author Farley Mowat writes about his experiences living in the wilds of the Arctic and observing the behavior of wolves and their native human companions in **“Never Cry Wolf”.** Mowat learned that wolves (and people!) are often misunderstood. This book has been a classic for 50 years – if you love animals and nature, this is for you! All are welcome to join on **Wednesday, November 3, at 6 PM** (immediately following Bibliomaniacs).



Our **Prime Timers** for October will again meet at St. Peter’s Apartments - Rhonda Kleiman, **“Stampin’ Up!®”** demonstrator, will be showing us how to **make cards using stamps and diecuts.** Monday, October 18 at 11 AM. Please come join us everyone over age 50 is welcome!

Book Bingo for Grownups! Stop by the library for your bingo card. Each time you read a book that matches the square’s description, mark it off. Categories include: classics, childhood favorites, a place I’d like to visit, biography or memoir, a book with a one word title, and so on. Book Bingo runs from **September 1 to November 30** to allow time for reading. When you get five in a row (you can fill the card if you like!) drop off your card at the front desk. You’ll be entered in a drawing for some great prizes from local merchants!



Some of those merchants who have so generously offered prizes in support of our library:

- AJ’s Discount Grocery
- Black Olive Diner
- Columbia Pizza
- The ReUzit Shop
- Hinkle’s
- Murphy’s Mercantile
- Half-Nuts Popcorn Company
- Geltz Gotz Goodeze
- And more to come!

The annual **Mardi Gras (aka Halloween) Parade** has returned!! And the library will be once again walking in it this year. The library will close at 5:00 PM on **Thursday, October 28** so that we can get ready for the parade. **Parade steps off at 7 PM** on Manor Street and follows the normal parade route through town.



Columbia Parks and Recreation is offering a **Halloween Costume Party! Free to everyone in the community from on October 30 from 3 to 7 PM in Locust Street Park.** I will be reading stories aloud from 3 PM to 4 PM. There will also be games, trick or treating for the kids, music, crafts, food and hot chocolate, and a costume contest! So pick out your best Halloween duds and come on out on Saturday, October 30, from 3 to 7 PM. Sponsored by Miss Allison's Studio

Come trick or treating at the library! Friday night, October 29, from 6 to 8 PM (county-wide trick or treat

hours).

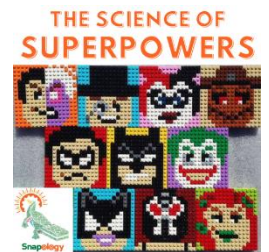


For our littlest library friends! **Tiny Tales** will be held on **Monday, October 11 and Monday, October 25, at 10 AM.** Stories, songs, and playtime for ages birth through 18 months.

Homeschool Happenings for October features **Kelly Ford** (Sam Lewis State Park) on Wednesday, October 5 with **“A Rainbow of Butterflies”**. Butterflies are known for their beautiful colors and patterns – and there is a reason for all of them. Find out

more on Wednesday, October 6, at 10:30 AM. Ages 4 and up. There are also two more Snapology Programs for October:

The Snapology class “The Science of Super Powers” is held on **Tuesday, October 12, at 10:30 AM.** Ages 5-10, with a maximum of 15 children. Learn about the science behind your favorite heroes' powers! Students will learn about gravity, aerodynamics, forces, motion, and much more as they learn about flight, super villain fights, and superhero vehicles.



Snapology class “Amusement Park Engineering” will be held on **Tuesday, October 26, at 10:30 AM.** Ages 7 to 14, with a maximum of 15 children. Design your own amusement park in this super fun program! Learn how to use LEGO® bricks and other building materials to make coasters and other awesome rides. Can you design the next Hershey Park?

We thank our friends at D. H. Funk for providing the funding for Snapology.

“Take and Make” activity for October is a paper pumpkin basket. It’s the “pick of the patch”. Available beginning October 1st.



The Columbia Public Library – where New Worlds Await – for you. We are located on 24 S. 6th Street, next to Park Elementary School. (Cattycorner to CVS Pharmacy and across the street from St. John’s Lutheran Church). Phone number is 684-2255 and web address is www.columbiapubliclibrary.org Find us on Facebook! Please stop by and visit often!