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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 13<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

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## **Booktober Library Crawl**



Join us during the month of October for the third annual Booktober Library Crawl!

All you have to do is pick up your Booktober Library Crawl passport from a participating library. Then, visit at least five libraries to complete the challenge! Each time you

visit a unique library, that library will stamp your passport -- showing that you've been there. When you've collected five stamps, you have completed the Crawl and earned a certificate of completion!

The Booktober Library Crawl will run from Wednesday, October 1st through Friday, October 31st. Pick up your passport and start playing anytime during the month of October.

### Meet John Adams

Meet John Adams, America's second president, at Thayer Public Library on Saturday, October 25th at 3:00 pm in Logan Auditorium in this program which is offered as part of the nation's 250th anniversary celebrations.

Dressed in clothes Adams wore as President 1797-1801, George Baker, as John Adams, will talk about life and his view of history and society in this engaging performance — Meet John Adams – A lively and Revolutionary Conversation with America's Second President. This program is free and open to all.

In 2008, George created a one-man show to represent the humor and patriotism of President John Adams. Since then, his performances have taken place across the United States at venues large and small.



### Trick or Treat: Signs and Sweets



Stop into the library on Wednesday, October 29th from 5:30 pm to 7:00 pm for some candy and a whole lot of fun! Costumes are welcome and encouraged (but not required)!

We're going to have teen-run stations around the Children's Room that will teach you a Halloween-themed ASL (American Sign language) sign and earn you a treat.

Then you can venture into Logan Auditorium for Halloween inspired games and a mini dance party! Open to all youth, just drop in!

### Songs and Stories of the American Songwriters 1960-1975



Andrew Lewis and Margaret Ferri join us on **Saturday, October 18th at 3:00 pm in Logan Auditorium** for a concert that will focus on the songwriters from the '60s and '70s who moved the nation. This is so much more than singing as there is always a story behind each song.

Lewis and Ferri present "Songs and Stories of the American Songwriters 1960-1975," a one-hour program featuring the iconic Singer/Songwriters of the 60s and 70s such as James Taylor, Paul Simon, Bob Dylan, Joni Mitchell, Judy Collins, and more. Join us for a nostalgic musical journey and delve into the events that shaped the music of this influential period. Experience the stories behind the songs that define a generation.

## Learn About Online Library Resources

**Consumer Reports Free at Home** — Did you know that your Thayer Public Library card gives you access to *Consumer Reports* online? *Consumer Reports* product ratings, reviews, and in-depth articles won't pop up in your Google search, but you can read them online for free with your library card!

Find out how easy it is to do from home or in the library on Wednesday, October 8th at 2:00 pm in Logan Auditorium!

**Digital Newspapers** —Learn how easy it is to get access to local newspapers on **Wednesday, October 22nd at 2:30 pm in Logan Auditorium**. See how you can read *The Braintree Forum* starting in 1881 and *The Patriot Ledger* from 1916 right up to the latest issue! Our digital collection of newspapers also includes *The Boston Herald, The New York Times* and hundreds of other newspapers published throughout the country.

Magazines With the Libby App — Learn how you can read your favorite magazines on a phone, tablet or laptop on Tuesday, October 28th at 7:00 pm in Logan Auditorium. Libby allows you to turn pages just as if you were browsing an actual print copy of a magazine.

**Kanopy: Free Streaming Video with your Library Card!** — Let us show you how to find movie and TV shows with Kanopy on **Thursday, October 30th at 6:00 pm in Logan Auditorium.** Learn how it works and get some tips on making your monthly tickets stretch!

Feel free to bring your own laptop or tablet to follow along — or borrow one from us! (Libby and Kanopy require you to sign in, so bring your library card number and PIN.) Registration is requested, but not required, for all sessions. Feel free to just drop in!

### **Meet With Local Authors**

This month we ae offering two programs with local authors — Coffee With Local Authors in Logan Auditorium and Mocktails With Local Sci/Fi, Fantasy, or Horror













**Authors**. Programs will meet **in Logan Auditorium**. At each event a panel of three local authors will talk about their new books and their writing and publishing experiences.

#### Coffee With Local Authors Saturday, October 4th from 11:00 am to 12:30 pm

- Neil Liebowitz of Braintree, writing as Aaron Riley Deception: A Psychiatrist's Stolen Journal (2024)
- Rich Feitelberg of Quincy -- Air and Wind (2025)
- Paul Yovino of Braintree -- The Man from Swan Lake A
  Hero of the Cocoanut Grove Nightclub Fire: The Clifford
  Johnson Story (2025)

Complimentary coffee, tea, water, and light refreshments will

This is a hybrid program, in person and on Zoom. Registration is required to receive the Zoom link.

#### Mocktails With Local SciFi, Fantasy, or Horror Authors Tuesday, October 14th, from 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm

- Nick Bythrow, Echo Paradise (independently published).
   Currently working on his next horror novel, In the Back-Closet.
- Carla E. Dash, Monsters and Other Tales of Humanity (Meerkat Press).
- Jennifer Safrey, After Happily Ever: An Epic Novel of Midlife Rebellion from Sibylline Press.

Register to receive an automated email reminder about the event. The event will be recorded by BCAM-TV and will be available to watch at a later date.