



Trick-or-treating evolved from the ancient Celtic tradition of putting out treats and food to placate spirits who roamed the streets at Samhain, a sacred festival that marked the end of the Celtic calendar year.

Libraries & Ideas

The Columbus Library Foundation was this year's Taste of Columbus beneficiary. On behalf of the Columbus Public Library I would like to thank all of you who were able to attend, your support is appreciated. As we work to build a Library/Cultural Arts Center in downtown Columbus every dollar raised brings us closer to our goal. The Taste of Columbus event was a fantastic example of our community's support for this project. The sold out crowd, the businesses and individuals contributing auction items, the food and wine vendors, and the volunteers all combined for a great success. I'd like to offer a very heartfelt thank you to the Columbus Area Chamber staff, everyone who bought and sold raffle tickets, Doug and Ramona Kluth, Kurt and Kim Shevlin, The Friends of the Library, the members of both the Library Foundation and Library Board. The whole evening was truly an impressive show of community support for a project that will benefit all of us through access to information, technology, programming, entertainment, the visual and performing arts. The efforts of everyone involved and attending Taste of Columbus will make a tremendous impact on generations of people living and working in our city and region.

Thanks!

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Our children's programs have been very popular so far this Fall. Kids have listened to numerous fun stories and then used their creativity to craft designer ducks, rock n' roll glitter lips, and doggie paper bag puppets. There are still many more awesome activities to come. Check out the schedule below for what Mr. H has planned through the end of October. Also, for students in 2nd-5th grades, keep reading and don't forget to enter the raffle for a new book, which will take place on October 28th.

Story Time

10:30 a.m.–Noon & 1:30 p.m.-3:00 p.m.

October 29th– Halloween

Story ART

10:30 a.m.–Noon & 1:30 p.m.-3:00p.m.

October 22nd– Monsters

Monday Night Book Adventures

6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.

October 26th– Halloween

There will be stories about Halloween, crafts, and yummy bedtime snacks!

Super Sensational Saturdays

10:00 a.m.-noon

October 31st– Halloween

This program is geared toward children in Pre-K through 3rd Grade. There will be 3-4 different art projects and activities set up, with one being an edible craft.



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The Teen Space is definitely one of the busiest areas every day after school! Young adults can read in the colorful seating area, use one of the computers or iPads, and play around with the different robots and other gadgets. Rachele has many awesome activities in mind for Wednesday afternoons. Look below for the rest of the events planned for October. They all begin at 3:00 p.m. and are free for patrons in grades 6-12.

October 21st– Wii

Challenge your friends to MarioKart, Band Hero, and more!

October 28th– Veggie Monsters

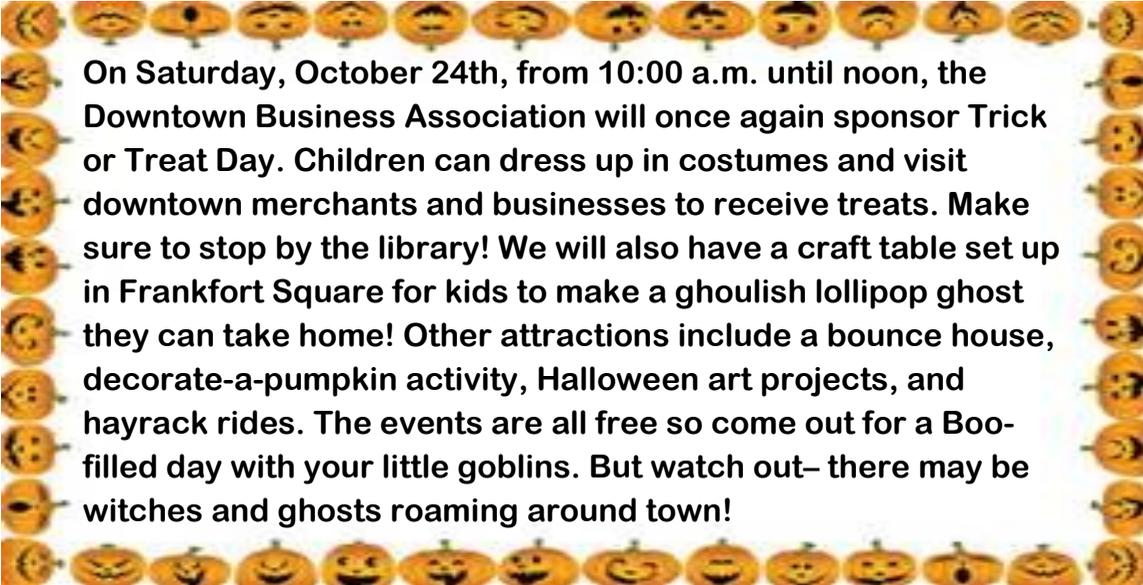
Create your own hideously healthy monster!

On Sunday, October 25th at 2:00 p.m. in the Art Gallery, the Friends of the Library will present “Nebraska’s Musical Smorgasbord: Music From Various Ethnic Groups in Nebraska”. Lincoln native Chris Sayre has been performing music professionally for over 40 years, and has dedicated much of that time to the promotion and preservation of traditional folk music from Western Europe and North America. He will perform on the button accordion, concertina, dulcimer, guitar, mandolin, and saw. Chris endeavors to leave his audience with a greater appreciation of both who we are and where we came from.



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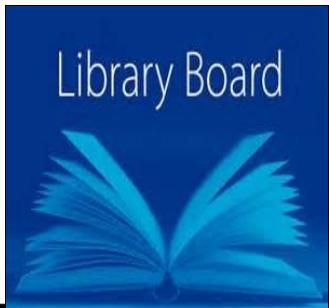


On Saturday, October 24th, from 10:00 a.m. until noon, the Downtown Business Association will once again sponsor Trick or Treat Day. Children can dress up in costumes and visit downtown merchants and businesses to receive treats. Make sure to stop by the library! We will also have a craft table set up in Frankfort Square for kids to make a ghoulish lollipop ghost they can take home! Other attractions include a bounce house, decorate-a-pumpkin activity, Halloween art projects, and hayrack rides. The events are all free so come out for a Boo-filled day with your little goblins. But watch out– there may be witches and ghosts roaming around town!

We at the library would like to welcome our two newest board members– Santiago Vasquez and Diane Klug. Santiago is a graduate of Columbus High School and works as an ESL Parent Liaison with the Columbus Public Schools. He also holds the position as the Director of Bilingual Services with the Diversion program. In his spare time, he enjoys volunteering with the youth ministry program at his church. He and his wife are the parents of one son and two daughters.

Diane Klug is a lifelong avid reader and library user. She enjoys a good novel, anything from biographies, to mysteries and historical fiction. She is also a member of

three book clubs, so she has the opportunity to read books from many different genres. She is a graduate of Kansas State University, holding multiple degrees. She and her husband make a living in production agriculture– farming and raising cattle. Diane also raises American Quarter Horses. In her spare time, she enjoys gardening and music.



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Your Columbus Public Library

New Releases

There have been many great books added to our catalog recently. To place a hold on any of the titles listed below, or another book, please call the library at 402-564-7116.

Undercover Bride– Margaret Brownley

Shadow Play– Iris Johansen

Siren’s Call: a Rainshadow novel– Jayne Castle

Saint Odd– Dean Koontz

Make Me: a Jack Reacher novel– Lee Child

Keeper’s Reach– Carla Neggers

The End Game: a Brit in the FBI– Catherine Coulter

Two Roads Home– Deborah Raney

Injustice: a novel– Lee Goodman

Devoted in Death– J.D. Robb

The Drafter: a novel– Kim Harrison

Undercover: a novel– Danielle Steel

Connecting Readers & Writers



Happy Birthday to these authors:

John le Carre– October 19, 1931

Michael Crichton– October 23, 1942

Anne Perry– October 28, 1938

Ezra Pound– October 30, 1885

Dick Francis– October 31, 1920

Halloween

I wish every day could be Halloween. We could all wear masks all the time. Then we could walk around and get to know each other before we got to see what we looked like under the masks–

R.J. Palacio

