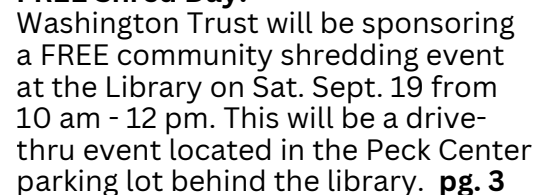


FREE EVENTS, SERVICES, & MORE! - SEPTEMBER 2026



FOR ADULTS

FILMS

First Friday Documentary Series: The AI Doc: Or How I Became an Apocaloptimist

FRI. SEPT. 4 AT 1 PM

Hoping to figure out what's happening with artificial intelligence, a father-to-be embarks on an eye-opening journey to learn more about the most powerful technology humanity has ever created -- and what's at stake if we get it wrong. 2026 - 1 hr 44 mins - PG-13

Movie Night: Extremely Loud & Incredibly Close

THURS. SEPT. 10 AT 6:30 PM

Extremely Loud & Incredibly Close follows young Oskar Schell, who, after losing his father in the 9/11 attacks, discovers a mysterious key among his belongings. Believing it's a final message, he embarks on a journey across New York City to uncover its meaning, meeting a range of people who help him process grief. 2011 - 2 hrs 9 mins - PG-13



Film Screening & Discussion: American Fiction

SUN. SEPT. 20 AT 1 PM

WED. SEPT. 23 AT 6:30 PM

Monk is a frustrated novelist who's fed up with the establishment that profits from Black entertainment that relies on tired and offensive tropes. To prove his point, he uses a pen name to write an outlandish Black book of his own, a book that propels him to the heart of hypocrisy and the madness he claims to disdain. Based on the 2001 novel Erasure by Percival Everett. 2023 - 1 hr 57 min - R

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GET CREATIVE

Adult Craft Evening: Book Bedazzling

TUES. SEPT. 8 AT 6:30 PM

Join us for a fun adult craft evening and bedazzle your favorite book! Bring your own book from home or purchase a book from the Friends Daily Book Sale. All other supplies will be provided.



Adult Crafternoon: Mini Tapestry Weaving

MON. SEPT. 21 AT 1 PM

Join us for a fun adult crafternoon with Elizabeth Springett from Woven Seas Weaving Studio. Elizabeth will show us how to set up a mini loom and how to create a beautiful mini patterned tapestry. All supplies will be provided. *Please note: this is a 3 hour workshop.*

Acrylic Painting with John Irwin

THURS. SEPT. 24 AT 6 PM

Join local artist, John Irwin, for this acrylic painting class. No prior painting experience (or talent) is required! John will take the class step-by-step through the process of recreating a famous masterpiece or one of his own works.

LECTURES & WORKSHOPS

Rhode Island in the Revolutionary War

WED. SEPT. 9 AT 6:30 PM

Join The Barrington Preservation Society for this fascinating lecture by Christian McBurney featuring military incidents within Rhode Island from 1776 to 1781, including the Rhode Island Campaign and Battle of Rhode Island in July and August 1778.

Medicaid for Long-Term Care

TUES. SEPT. 15 AT 6:30 PM

Learn how Medicaid can help pay for the cost of long-term care at home, in an assisted living facility, or in a nursing home.

MUSIC



Piano Men: A Tribute to Billy Joel & Elton John with Jay Daniels

MON. SEPT. 14 AT 6:30 PM

Celebrate the unforgettable hits of Billy Joel and Elton John in this lively tribute featuring pianist and vocalist Jay Daniels. With rich vocals and jazz-infused flair, Jay performs classics like "Piano Man," "Your Song," "Rocket Man," and more—bringing fresh life to the music of two pop legends in an evening of timeless tunes and nostalgic charm.

Adult String Instrument Workshop with Community Strings Project

THURS. SEPT. 17 AT 6:30 PM

Adults are invited to join members of the String Orchestra and Guitar Ensemble for a brief concert followed by a meet-and-greet with the musicians and their instruments. This is a great opportunity to get up close and personal with a violin, viola, cello, bass, and classical guitar and get an introduction to Community String Project's programs.

Beyond Social Security

MON. SEPT. 21 AT 6:30 PM

You've spent decades building your nest egg—now learn the new rules for turning your savings into a dependable, lifelong income stream.

Forgotten Landscapes: How Natural Habitats Respond to Land Use

TUES. SEPT. 22 AT 7 PM

Travel through time with the Barrington Land Conservation Trust and ecologist Kevin Ormerod as he shares historic photos and records that provide insight into today's native plants and habitats.



SHRED IT!

FREE Shred Day! [🔗](#)

SAT. SEPT. 19 FROM 10 AM - 12 PM

Washington Trust, will be sponsoring a FREE community shredding event at the Library. This will be a drive-thru event located in the Peck Center parking lot behind the library. All documents shredded on site. Two boxes per person.

HEALTH & WELLNESS

Monday Morning Yoga [🔗](#)

MON. SEPT. 14 AT 9:30 AM
MON. SEPT. 28 AT 9:30 AM

Experience movement sequences designed to open up, tone and bring balance to your body. Patrons will be guided in through movement, breathwork and meditation techniques to best rest, restore, and reset.

Grief Yoga [🔗](#)

SUN. SEPT. 20 AT 1 PM

Join Kim Bernardo for this specialized yoga class. Grief Yoga uses yoga, movement, breath and sound to release pain and suffering to reconnect back to love. This gentle class is designed to help griever find peace through movement and meditation.

Dealing with Grief and Other Emotional Challenges through Meditation [🔗](#)

THURS. SEPT. 17 AT 6:30 PM

VIRTUAL

From the pain of grief from losing a loved one, to the pandemic, a difficult coworker, to an unexpected bill, to other life circumstances. Meditation can be a tool to help anyone deal with the stresses of life. Join long time meditator Jim Rose. M. Ed on Zoom for this virtual meditation workshop to help cope with the intense and overwhelming emotions that we face in the world today.

GET TOGETHER

The Stitch Circle [🔗](#)

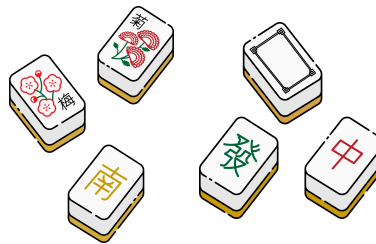
TUES. SEPT. 1 AT 6:30 PM

Calling all knitters, crocheters, sewers, and stitchers alike! All are welcome to come to The Stitch Circle. Bring your current project to work on as we chat and listen to an interesting podcast episode. No instruction provided.

Board Game Night [🔗](#)

MON. SEPT. 14 AT 6 PM
MON. SEPT. 28 AT 6 PM

Board Game Night returns to the library! Adults 18+ are invited to join us for a fun Board Game Night in the Peck Center (ground floor of library). This event is free and we will have snacks for you to enjoy while you play. We will have board games on hand but you are welcome to bring your own as well.



Drop-in Mahjong Open Play

SUN. SEPT. 13 AT 1 PM

Join us for Drop-in Open Play Mahjong. This is a relaxed and social program for intermediate players looking to build confidence and enjoy the game in a casual setting. This is not an instructional session—it's designed for those who already know the basics and want to gain more experience through play.

Bring your own 2026 Mahjong play card. We will provide the tables, chairs, and Mahjong sets. Come connect with fellow players, sharpen your skills, and have fun!

Drop-in. First come, first play. Space is limited.

BOOK DISCUSSION GROUPS

Monthly Adult Book Chat [🔗](#)

WED. SEPT. 2 AT 11 AM

VIRTUAL

This BYO book chat allows participants to talk about a book they read recently and leave with a bunch of new book suggestions!

Literary Pairings Book Discussion Group [🔗](#)

WED. SEPT. 9 AT 6:30 PM

HYBRID

This group pairs an assigned classic one month followed by a contemporary read-alike similar in theme, plot, and/or characters the following month. Upcoming book picks:

- Sept. 9 - Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry by Mildred D. Taylor
- Oct. 14 - Happy Land by Dolen Perkins-Valdez

Mystery & Thriller Book Discussion Group [🔗](#)

THIRD WEDNESDAY AT 6:30 PM

Our monthly whodunit group that meets in person. This group alternates between a mystery and a thriller title each month. Upcoming book picks:

- Sept. 16 - The Spy Coast by Tess Gerritsen
- Oct. 21 - First Lie Wins by Ashley Elston

GARDENING

Fall Gardening and Cleanup Tips: Dos and Don'ts [🔗](#)

TUES. SEPT. 15 AT 1 PM

Join the Barrington Garden Club for an informative program with Jess Zander of You Can Do It Gardening. Fall has traditionally been a time for cleaning up the yard, but more gardeners are discovering the ecological benefits of leaving leaves and other organic matter in place. Learn why doing less can actually be better for your landscape, and discover simple, sustainable ways to care for your garden this fall.

TECH CLASS UPDATE

There will be no tech classes for the month of September as we hire a new Digital Services Librarian.

FOR KIDS

To register, call 401-247-1920 x4, or visit
barringtonlibrary.libcal.com

Program dates & times subject to change.

Please check our online calendar for most up to date information.



All children's programs are free and open to all ages and abilities. However, age recommendations are intended for parental guidance.

Kids under 10 are not permitted in the Children's Room unattended.

SPECIAL STORY TIME

Saturday Story Time

SAT. SEPT. 12 AT 10 AM

Start your Saturday with stories and songs. Pack a snack, something to sit on and enjoy! Location: TapIn Turf. Recommended for ages 2-5.

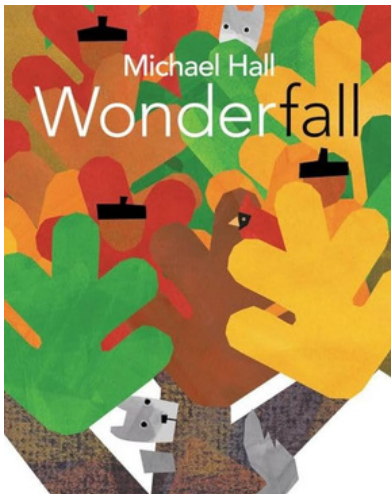
THERAPY DOG

Millie the Therapy Dog

CHECK WEBSITE FOR DATES

Pet, cuddle, or read with Millie, a gentle, loveable therapy-trained golden retriever while visiting the Children's Room.

STORY WALK



Autumn Story Walk Along the Resilience Garden at Barrington Government Center

THROUGH NOVEMBER 1

Take a stroll along the walkway by the Resilience Garden at Barrington Government Center, and enjoy the story *Wonderfall* by Michael Hall.

Funded by a grant from the Office of Library and Information Services (OLIS).

STORY TIMES

Outdoor Family Story Time

TUESDAYS AT 10 AM
FRIDAYS AT 11 AM

Share stories and songs together in Tap-in Turf! Please park in the main parking lot. Drop-in, no registration needed.

If it rains, Story Time will move inside and attendance is capped at 35 (first-come, first-serve).

Recommended for ages 2-5.

Babies & Board Books

MONDAYS AT 10:30 AM
WEDNESDAYS AT 10:30 AM
THURSDAYS AT 10 AM

Simple rhymes, stories and songs, especially for new parents and growing babies. This is a small group by design to help foster a positive first story time experience in a nurturing environment. Indoors, registration is required.

Recommended for birth - 24 months.

STORY TIME INFO

Our Fall Story Time session begins Tuesday, September 1!
There is no story time on BPS No School days.

SCHOOL AGE PROGRAMS

Let's Play Games!

WED. SEPT. 16 AT 3:30 PM

Stop by after school and explore with Legos, magnetics and good old fashioned board games. This program is intended for kids and adults to enjoy together. Kids 10+ are welcome to attend alone.

Recommended for kids 10+.

Lego Club

WED. SEPT. 30 AT 3:30 PM

Create, build, explore with each other and Lego bricks! Registration not required.

Recommended for kids in grades K-5.

MOVIE MATINEE



Movie Matinee: Honey, I Shrunk the Kids

WED. SEPT. 9 AT 10 AM
NO SCHOOL DAY

A scientist father accidentally shrinks his kids and their friends to the size of bugs. Tag along as they face many adventures while father searches for them.

1989 - 1 hr 33 min - PG

A friendly reminder from our Children's Room Staff...

We encourage your children to explore, learn, and grow in the library! However, for everyone's safety and well-being, we kindly ask parents and caregivers to always remain attentive to your children during your visit.

Please take a moment to put away phones and enjoy this special time together—your presence makes their library experience more meaningful for all.

Thank you for helping us to keep the library a safe space!



ALL AGES

BOOK BUNDLE RAFFLE

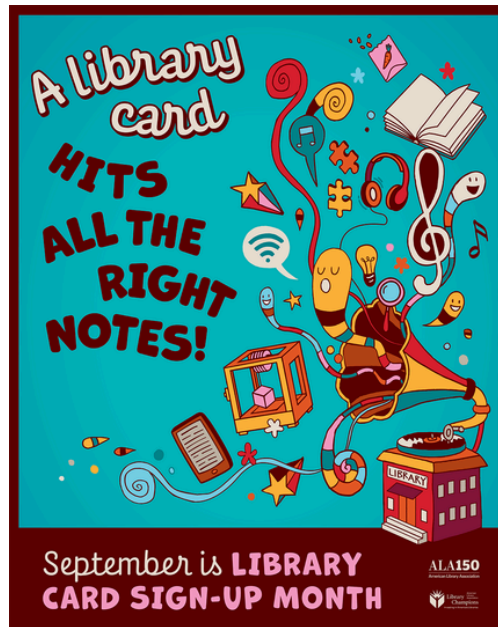
Library Card Signup Month

SEPTEMBER 1-30

September is National Library Card Sign Up Month! Your library card is your ticket to books, movies, technology, events, and so much more—all for free. Don't have one yet? Now's the perfect time to sign up!

Sign up for a new library card or renew your library card at the Circulation Desk during the month of September and be entered for a chance to win a book bundle! We have book bundles for kids, teens, and adults.

Already a cardholder? Encourage a friend to get their own card and discover everything the library has to offer.

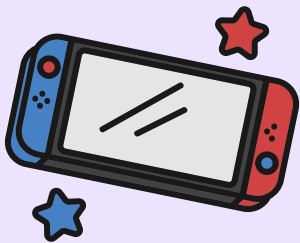


GOODBYE SUMMER

Thanks for joining us this summer! We had a blast!



FOR TEENS



Check out the Rec Room!

When our Teen Librarian, Tanya, is working, teens can ask to use the Nintendo Switch and play some video games while they hang out in the library!

Games we have to play include Super Smash Bros, Zelda, Mario 3D World, and Sega Genesis Classics.

TUTORING

NHS Tutoring in the Library

WEEKNIGHTS AT 5:30 PM

Need help with your homework?

Visit the teen room weeknights from 5:30-7:30 pm and get help from one of our NHS volunteers.

Free and open to middle school and high school students. Drop-in.



LIBRARY SERVICES

BOOK CLUB IN A BAG

In charge of choosing the next book for your book club and don't know where to start? Borrow a Book Club in a Bag kit! Each kit contains 6 or 10 copies of a book and a binder containing fun "behind the book" information and discussion questions all in a handy canvas bag for easy transportation.

This program makes it easy (and free!) for everyone in your book club to obtain a copy of your next read.

New Kits Added in August 2026:

- *Angel Down* by Daniel Kraus
- *The Road to Tender Hearts* by Annie Hartnett
- *Theo of Golden* by Allen Levi

Kits are available to check out for six weeks. Stop by the Reference Desk or call 401-247-1920 x2 for more info.



Want to place a Book Club in a Bag kit on hold for a future book club meeting date? Please call the Reference Desk at 401-247-1920 x2 for assistance. Please do not use the online catalog to place a hold on kits.

You must speak with a librarian to place a hold!

HOMEBOUND DELIVERY

Our Homebound Delivery Service brings books, audiobooks, magazines, and more to residents of Barrington who are physically unable to get to the library, including those who are residents of nursing homes or assisted living facilities.

Questions? Interested in registering a loved one for the program? Call the Reference Desk at 401-247-1920 x2



WHAT TO READ

Reading recommendations from Barrington Public Library staff to you!

Check out our catalog for new books, recommended reading lists, and staff picks!



ADULT FICTION



Whisper Creek by Allison Brennan

After her husband's sudden death, Ellen fights to save her Texas farm and protect her family from a series of events that bring danger to their rural community.



Girl's Girl by Sonia Feldman

One summer shatters the balance between three best friends, forcing them to confront the line between friendship and attraction.

YOUNG ADULT/TEENS



You Jump First by Myah Ariel

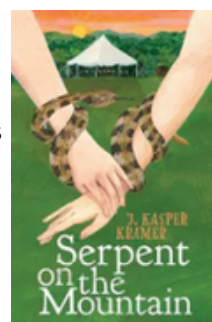
When her crush returns for the summer with his girlfriend, seventeen-year-old Andie finds comfort with his brother Tommy and begins questioning her feelings for them both.



No One Leaves the Manor by Kelly McWilliams

Four young debutantes compete to inherit a fortune, only to discover that their mysterious host and her manor are not what they seem.

MIDDLE GRADE



Serpent on the Mountain by J. Kramer Kasper

Set in 1970s Appalachia, a girl's faith in the local hill magic is shaken after a snake-handling church sets up a revival tent near her home.



Really Rubie by Maddie Frost

Eleven-year-old Rubie must find a way to make the best of summer camp without her outgoing, fun-loving best friend Riley.

DIGITAL SERVICES

NEW CATALOG APP!



The Ocean State Libraries Catalog has a new mobile app!

This app replaces the old, outdated OSL app and allows you to access your library anywhere, anytime.

DO MORE ON THE GO:



Search for books



View your account



Place & manage holds



Access your digital library card



Renew items



Find library locations & hours



Scan the QR code or visit catalog.oslri.net/mobileapp today to get started with the Ocean State Libraries Catalog app and enjoy an improved library experience right from your phone!

NEWSPAPERS - ONLINE!

Barrington Times Digital Archive

In October 2023, Barrington Public Library received a grant from the Office of Library and Information Services for \$25,000 to digitize the bound 1958-1983 issues of the Barrington Times owned by the Library. In April 2026, thanks to another \$27,360 grant from OLIS as well as help from an anonymous donor, the digitization of Barrington Times issues from 1984 through 2024 was completed. The complete searchable archive is now available to the public!

Visit barrington.historyarchives.online to access the archive.



Providence Journal Online

Barrington Public Library has access to The Providence Journal Collection online which provides full-text articles on local news, issues, events, people and more from current and archived issues of the Providence Journal (1981-current).

Remote (at home) access requires a Barrington Public Library card number starting with 21332.

New York Times All Access

Barrington cardholders now have complimentary and unlimited access to everything The New York Times has to offer!

Access [NYTimes.com](https://www.nytimes.com) while onsite and connected to the library Wi-Fi. Access all of The Times — including News, Games, Cooking, Audio, Wirecutter, The Athletic, and all apps — from anywhere!

Find access information on our website!

OTHER LIBRARY APPS

Libby

Get access to hundreds of thousands of ebooks and audiobooks for FREE with your library card.

With Libby you can read across all your devices, get offline access to your books when you don't have internet, listen to audiobooks in your car, send ebooks to your Kindle, and more!

Palace Project

Through the Palace app, library users have access to over 20,000 items curated by the Digital Public Library of America and Ocean State Libraries.

This app offers the largest selection of ebooks and audiobooks and has extra copies of high-demand titles.

Kanopy

Kanopy showcases more than 30,000 of the world's best films, including award-winning documentaries, rare and hard-to-find titles, film festival favorites, indie and classic films, and world cinema collections from thousands of independent filmmakers.

Access requires a Barrington Public Library card number starting with 21332.

Download any of these apps from your app store on your mobile device or tablet.



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call **401-247-1920 x2**

or email info@barringtonlibrary.org

FRIENDS CORNER

Great communities need great libraries.
Great libraries need Friends.



CRAFT KITS

Looking for a unique, eco-friendly craft? In an effort to find new ways to recycle and reuse books destined for the landfill, The Friends of the Barrington Public Library have begun to create Craft Kits that contain reclaimed book pages you can use to make beautiful paper crafts such as loopy flowers! Each kit includes everything you need to create a one-of-a-kind project at home.

- 🌱 Sustainable
- 🌟 Creative
- 💙 Supports the Library

Kits are available for just \$5 or \$8, with all proceeds directly supporting library programs and services. Stop by the library to pick one up and craft something beautiful today!

Please note: no saleable books were harmed in the making of these Craft Kits! Paper was sourced from damaged, outdated, or unsold books that were donated to the Friends but destined for the landfill or paper pulp factory. Help us give these old books a new life!



DAILY BOOK SALE

Open every day the library is open and replenished daily! We have a wide selection of books for all ages including fiction, nonfiction, puzzles, DVDs, and a large collection of children's books. Located on the first floor of the library near the Reference Desk. There is also a Daily Sale book bin outside of the Children's Room.

Cash and credit card accepted.
Purchase all books at the Circulation Desk. All proceeds go to the library.

BOOK DONATIONS

Book donations are a great way to support your library!

The Friends accept donations from 8:30 am to 3:30 pm on Wednesdays and Saturdays only at the book donation door located at the rear of the building facing the Peck Center for Adult Enrichment parking lot.

Do not leave book donations outside or in the library book drop.

SEPTEMBER ART EXHIBITS

