

System-Wide Programs

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Ongoing Programs	Trivia Challenges	In September, we ran 8 Monday and Friday trivia events with a total of 290 people attending. We will reach our 5000 th participant for trivia in October and will announce their “trivia name” on social media.
	Community Mask-Making project	The response to the call for volunteers to make face masks for this project has reached beyond our expectations. Between the several community volunteers and the Canada Sews-Grey Bruce group, we have received close to 900 masks so far.
	Book Clubs	Kincardine Amnesty Book Club and Port Elgin Book Club continue to meet virtually each month.
October Programs	Beanstack Book Bingo	Our re-named fall Beanstack reading challenge is ready for October. The Library encourages people to try reading new materials and genres and earn badges for the challenges completed. There are 10 categories (badges) to complete. The program is open to all ages.
	Take-Home Activity kits	The take-home activity kits this summer were so popular, the programming committee decided to extend the program through the fall. A small number of kits for both children and teens/adults will be available at each branch for first-come, first-serve pick-up. Companion videos are filmed by the programming committee and posted to the YouTube site so people can participate from home as well.
	Bruce County Public Library Mini Comic-con® Art Contest	Even though we were not able to host our event this year, we still wish to recognize the artists that contributed to this year’s contest. Members from the public can find a Survey Monkey posted on our social media and vote for their favourite. Voting ends October 24 th and the winner will be announced on social media. We will award our original prizes we had planned to the winners.

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	STEAM On-Line!	Every Thursday at 3:00pm, the Library will post staff videos that support science, technology, engineering, art, and math learning. This will replace the daily story time on Thursdays.
	Story Time Live!	Story Time Live is back on Facebook, Wednesday mornings at 9:30.
	Library Talks With: Newcomer Service Groups - Thursday, October 22, 2:00pm	October's live presentation features two organizations that assist newcomers in Grey and Bruce Counties. May Ip is the Pathways Development Officer with United Way Bruce Grey Welcoming Communities, and Claudia Carleton is the Program Coordinator, Grey and Bruce Settlement and Language Services, YMCA of Owen Sound Grey Bruce. Both agencies have worked hard to understand gaps in service and develop programs to assist newcomers to our area.
	Ontario Public Library Week - October 18-24	<p>The Library has many activities happening during this week:</p> <p>"Journey of a Book" video airs on social media and shows how a book arrives, is processed, and ends up on the shelf for people to take home.</p> <p>The mask-making project begins with face masks available in the branches for pick-up. They are available free for any resident to take home.</p> <p>Teen trivia event, "The Horror", is Wednesday, October 21.</p> <p>Library Talks With live interview is Thursday, October 22 at 2:00pm.</p>
November Programs	Back to Basics Spanish	Eva Cenitagoya reprises a Skype version of the popular language classes she previously ran in Southampton Branch. Participants must pre-register for this four-week session and a limited number of spots are available.
	Canadian Storytellers Day	The Library will host Edsel Roache November 6 at 2:00pm to share some of his

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		adventures growing up as part of a fishing family in Nova Scotia.
	Library Talks With: United Way Financial Literacy Program	November is Financial Literacy Month. To highlight some local resources, we will host Caroline Araujo Abbotts from the Untied Way to talk about their free financial literacy program.
	Teen trivia	November's theme for Teen Trivia is "The Simpson's".