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**Are You Looking for a Preschool . . .** for your children? Plan to attend the annual Preschool Fair on Monday, **November 9**, from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Representatives from Batavia and Geneva preschools will be at the Library to share information about their programs and answer your questions. *Registration is not required*—just drop in! This is a great opportunity to learn about several preschools in one evening. The event is co-sponsored by the Geneva Public Library.



**The Library Will Close . . .** at 5 p.m., Wednesday, **November 25**, and will be closed all day on Thursday, **November 26**. Happy Thanksgiving!

**The (Construction) End Is in Sight . . .** The stonework at the corner of Wilson and Water Streets is near completion. Column covers will be replaced in November and stonework and concrete will get a good power wash! Thank you, Batavia, for your patience throughout the Library renewal project.



**Library Lobby Display Cases . . .** are available on a monthly basis to nonprofit organizations and clubs. Is your organization hosting a fundraiser? Are you looking to increase your club's membership? Would you like to show off your group or troop's good works in photos and with props? Call the Library's Promotional Services department, (630) 879-1393, ext. 410, to reserve a case for December 2015 or a month in 2016. More than 700 people visit the Library every day—your message will be noticed!

**Board of Library Trustees Meeting:** Tuesday, **November 17**, at 7 p.m., in the Library Conference Room. Meetings are open to the public.



**Creative Writers:** The next meeting of the Batavia Public Library Writers Workshop is Monday, **November 9**, from 6:30 to 9 p.m. Adults and teens writing in all genres are welcome. Participants share their works, exchange advice, and offer support to fellow writers. The Writers Workshop meets on the second Monday of every month in the Conference Room. *Registration is not required.* For more information, contact the Writers Workshop facilitator, Frank Rutledge, at [weatherbone@comcast.net](mailto:weatherbone@comcast.net).

**Looking for Recipes for the Holidays? . . .** You may find a great cookbook at a great price at the next used book sale in the FriendSpace, Saturday, **November 7**, between 9:15 a.m. and 4 p.m.



The Friends will host a Vintage Book Sale on Saturday, **December 5**, from 9:15 a.m. to 4 p.m., in the Conference Room. Thanks to a recent large donation of older books, the Friends will sell the classics, sets, novels, nonfiction, large maps, and old textbooks. Gift-quality coffee table books and newer sets also will be for sale. The Vintage sale is in addition to the monthly sale in the FriendSpace from 9:15 a.m. to 4 p.m., also on **December 5**.

The Friends Holiday Book Sale will take place in the Friends' Book Corner on the upper level throughout the month of December. A nice selection of individually priced, gift-quality and holiday themed books for adults and children will be available, as well as 2016 Book Lover's Calendars which make great holiday gifts.

## Displays in the Library during November:

**Art Wall** – Gene McCormick

**Lobby Display Cases** – H. C. Storm Hispanic Families, Human Library of the Fox Valley

**Youth Services Display Case** – Sarah Alf, Ryan Alf, Anthony DeFelice, Brady DeFelice

**Book Displays** – Staff Favorites – Fiction and Nonfiction

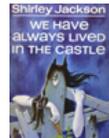
**November/December Collection Survey:** Digital Photography. [Take the online survey.](#)

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## Programs for Adults

**Sundays on Stage** Due to a scheduling conflict, there is no Sundays on Stage program in November. However, there are two Sundays on Stage programs in December—"Bette Davis" on **December 6**, and "The Essential Christmas Carol" on **December 13**. Register today for one or both programs! *Registration required:* [Bette Davis](#) [A Christmas Carol](#)

**Book Discussion:** *We Have Always Lived in the Castle* by Shirley Jackson: Tuesday, **November 10**, 7:30 p.m. The very strange Blackwoods—18-year-old Mary Katherine (who narrates the story), her sister Constance, and their uncle Julian—live in seclusion in their family mansion, scorned by the townspeople who fear them following a horrific event. *No registration required.*



January book selection: *Into the Beautiful North* by Luis Alberto Urrea



**Books Between Bites:** Thursday, **November 19**, 12 p.m. Author Richard Munson discusses his book *George Fabyan: The Tycoon Who Broke Ciphers, Ended Wars, Manipulated Sound, Built a Levitation Machine, and Organized the Modern Research Center*. Munson describes how Fabyan sponsored and inspired a community of thinkers who advanced science in such diverse fields as acoustics, cryptography, genetics, and physiology. *No registration required.*

**Genealogy Research Help:** Are you researching your family tree? Are you just getting started or have you hit a research wall? Schedule an appointment with a librarian for a one-hour, one-on-one session to guide you in your genealogy research. Appointments are available Monday–Friday 9 a.m.–5 p.m. A Batavia Public Library card is required. Contact the Reference Desk for details, (630) 879-1393, ext. 200.



## Computer Classes for Adults



The Library offers a variety of 1-hour, hands-on [computer classes](#) (from "Introduction to Microsoft Word" to "Genealogy on the Internet"). Registration required; call (630) 879-1393, ext. 200.

**Computer Coaching Sessions:** Basic computer training is available at the Library. Schedule an appointment with a technology assistant for a one-hour, one-on-one coaching session based on your individual needs. Sessions are available Monday–Thursday, 4–8 p.m. Batavia Public Library card required. Call the Reference Desk, (630) 879-1393, ext. 200, for details.

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## Programs for Teens

### College/Career

**ACT Practice Test:** Sunday, **November 1**, 12:30–4 p.m. Take a free practice ACT test with scoring by Kaplan Test Prep. Bring a calculator, pencils, water, and an energy snack. Kaplan will contact students approximately two weeks after the test. [Registration required:](#) space is limited.



### Fun Stuff



**Inclusion Movie Night:** Tuesday, **November 3**, 6:30–8:30 p.m. Teens and young adults of all abilities—and their families and friends—are invited to watch movies and meet new people in a relaxed setting. *No registration required.*

**Inclusion Game Night:** Wednesday, **November 11**, 6:30–8:30 p.m. Teens of all abilities—and their families and friends—are invited to the Library to meet new people and play a board game or card game in a relaxed setting.

*No registration required.*

**Anime Club:** Thursday, **November 12**, 6:30–8:30 p.m. Teens are invited to the Library to watch anime movies, preview new shows on DVD, and meet other anime and manga enthusiasts. *No registration required.*

## Programs for Youth

For a complete listing and details of all November programs offered by the Youth Services department, please refer to the Library's [Programs/Events](#) page. Unless otherwise indicated, program registration begins Sunday, **November 1**. Priority is given to Batavia Public Library cardholders.

## Programs for Families

**Observation Stations:** During the month of November, drop by the Youth Services department to explore an Observation Station about trees. The station will include an in-house and/or take-home activity.



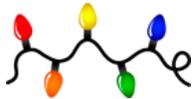
**Preschool Fair:** Trying to decide on a preschool for your child? Stop by the Library for a look at various Batavia and Geneva preschools, Monday, **November 9**, 6:30–8 p.m. The open-house format offers parents and caregivers the opportunity to talk to many preschools at one time, in one location. *No registration required.*

**Drop-In Craft:** Stop by and make a turkey magnet, Tuesday, **November 10**, 10 a.m.–12 p.m.; or Saturday, **November 21**, 10 a.m.–12 p.m. Children age 6 and younger must be accompanied by an adult. *No registration required.*



**Bingo:** Children, ages 3–14, are invited to play Bingo for an hour, Wednesday, **November 25**, 11 a.m. Children age 5 and younger must be accompanied by an adult or older sibling. *No registration required.*

**Movie at the Library:** Join us for a movie, Friday, **November 27**, 1 p.m. Please call the Youth Services department, (630) 879-1393, ext. 500, for movie title, length, and rating. *No registration required.*



**Celebration of Lights:** Drop in for holiday readings at the Batavia Depot Museum, Sunday, **November 29**, 6:15–7 p.m. *No registration required.*

**Find Frosty the Snowman and his Frozen Friend Olaf:** Find a picture of Frosty or Olaf who are hiding in the Youth Services department Monday, **November 30**, through Saturday, **December 12**, and receive a treat when you bring the picture to the Youth Services Desk.

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## Programs for Students

**Card Game Night:** Students, ages 7–14, bring your deck of cards and challenge someone to a game of Magic, Pokémon, or Yu-Gi-Oh, Monday, **November 9**, 7 p.m. Or you can play Uno, Apples to Apples, and traditional card games. *No registration required.*



**Anybook Club:** Students in grades 4–8 are invited to join us for snacks, games, and book-related banter, Tuesday, **November 10**, 4 p.m. You can talk about the books you've read and we'll tell you about some you might like. You don't have to read anything in particular, just come to enjoy book-related activities. *Registration required.*

**Book Worms:** Stories, games, and a craft for students in kindergarten and first grade, Wednesday, **November 11**, 4:30 p.m. *Registration required.*



**Minecraft for Beginners:** Students in grades 2–4 are invited to learn the basics of Minecraft, Thursday, **November 12**, 4 p.m. Go on an adventure and learn how to move and build in Minecraft. No experience necessary. *Registration required.*

**Late Night at the Library:** An after-hours program for students in grades 3–5, Friday, **November 13**, 6–9 p.m. Activities include a scavenger hunt, games, pizza, and a guest performer. Register in person at the Youth Services Desk, beginning **November 1**. A parental permission form and \$3 per participant are required at registration. Space is limited. Priority is given to Batavia Public Library cardholders and students attending Batavia schools.

**Middle School Advisory Council:** Join the Batavia Public Library's Middle School Advisory Council, Monday, **November 16**, 4 p.m. The council meets once a month to plan activities for students at the Library and work on projects to benefit the Library and community. Meetings also include pizza and fun! New members are always welcome. *Registration required.*

**Book Gems:** A book discussion club for students in grades 2–3, Tuesday, **November 17**, 6:30 p.m. Read *November Night* by Ron Roy and join us for discussion and activities. *Registration required*; reserve a copy of the book when registering.



**Curiosity Club:** Through books, games, and experiments, students in grades K–2 will explore a variety of science and nature topics, Wednesday, **November 18**, 4:30 p.m. Each participant will receive a take-home activity. *Registration required.*

**Minecraft Masters:** Students in grades 3–4 who are *experienced* Minecrafters are invited to a challenging course that requires you to work with your team to get through obstacles and beat the competition in a parkour race to the finish, Thursday, **November 19**, 4 p.m. *Registration required.*

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## Storytime

**Family Storytime:** Bring the whole family for favorite stories and more, Monday, **November 2**, 6:30 p.m. *No registration required.*

**Baby & Tot Storytime:** Stories, songs, and more for babies and tots through age 35 months, with a caregiver, Friday, **November 6**, 10 a.m. We ask that alternate care arrangements be made for older siblings. Present your Batavia Public Library card to receive entry tickets. Tickets will be handed out beginning twenty minutes before the program until they are gone. Space is limited. *No registration required.*

**Preschool Drop-In Storytime:** Stories, flannelboards, and more for preschoolers ages 3–6, Friday, **November 6**, 1 p.m. Younger siblings are welcome. An adult must accompany children under the age of 4. *No registration required.*

### For Babies and Preschoolers



**Baby Play 'n' Learn:** Join us for a drop-in playtime for babies ages 23 months and younger and caregivers, Saturday, **November 14**, 11 a.m. Meet other caregivers, enjoy playtime, and see examples of early literacy activities. We ask that alternate care arrangements be made for older siblings. *No registration required*; however, space is limited. Please show your Batavia Public Library card to receive your entry ticket.

**Beanbags, Shakers, and Scarves:** An interactive program that incorporates beanbags, shakers, and scarves for children ages 2–3 and caregivers, Monday, **November 30**, 10 a.m. Toddlers will have practice following directions and work their big muscles while they shake out the sillies. *Registration required.*

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### Photo of the Month

Costumed kids and parents attended BatFest Stories and Songs in the Reading Garden.



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### Sneak Peak at December

The next New Lyceum Lecture Series program, “Mooseheart—100 Years of Caring,” will be presented Monday, **December 7**, at 7 p.m. Gary Urwiler, executive director of Mooseheart Child City and School and former student resident of Mooseheart, will talk about Mooseheart’s mission and his own experience as a student and as administrator. [Registration required.](#)

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Questions? Suggestions? Email: [askus@bataviapubliclibrary.org](mailto:askus@bataviapubliclibrary.org)

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Mon-Thu 9-9  
Fri-Sat 9-5  
Sun 12-5 (Sept-May)  
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