

# The Bell Bulletin

October 2017

Library Hours:

Monday-Friday

9am-7pm

Saturday:

9am-5pm

Sunday: 1-5pm

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## History of Halloween

Straddling the line between fall and winter, plenty and paucity, life and death, Halloween is a time of celebration and superstition. It is thought to have originated with the ancient Celtic festival of Samhain, when people would light bonfires and wear costumes to ward off roaming ghosts. In the eighth century, Pope Gregory III designated November 1 as a time to honor all saints and martyrs; the holiday, All Saints' Day, incorporated some of the traditions of Samhain. The evening before was known as All Hallows' Eve and later Halloween. Over time, Halloween evolved into a secular, community-based event characterized by child-friendly activities such as trick-or-treating. In a number of countries around the world, as the days grow shorter and the nights get colder, people continue to usher in the winter season with gatherings, costumes and sweet treats.

## Trick or Treat at the Library from 5-7 pm on Tuesday, October 31st!

## Banned Books Week was September 24th-30th!!!

Banned Books Week is an annual event celebrating the freedom to read. Typically held during the last week of September, it highlights the value of free and open access to information. Banned Books Week brings together the entire book community — librarians, booksellers, publishers, journalists, teachers, and readers — in shared support of the freedom to seek and express ideas, even those some consider unorthodox or unpopular. We have ordered a bunch of these "banned" books to add to our collection, so be on the lookout for them!

## Recipe: Iced Pumpkin Bars

4 eggs  
 1 2/3 cups white sugar  
 1 cup vegetable oil  
 1 (15 ounce) can pumpkin puree  
 2 cups all-purpose flour  
 2 teaspoons baking powder  
 1 teaspoon baking soda  
 2 teaspoons ground cinnamon  
 1 teaspoon salt  
 1 (3 ounce) package cream cheese, softened  
 1/2 cup butter, softened  
 1 teaspoon vanilla extract  
 2 cups sifted confectioner's sugar

1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees F (175 degrees C).
2. In a medium bowl, mix the eggs, sugar, oil, and pumpkin with an electric mixer until light and fluffy. Sift together the flour, baking powder, baking soda, cinnamon and salt. Stir into the pumpkin mixture until thoroughly combined.
3. Spread the batter evenly into an ungreased 10x15 inch jellyroll pan. Bake for 25 to 30 minutes in preheated oven. Cool before frosting.

To make the frosting, cream together the cream cheese and butter. Stir in vanilla. Add confectioners' sugar a little at a time, beating until mixture is smooth. Spread evenly on top of the cooled bars. Cut into squares.



If you love Ebooks, there's an app for that! See a library staff member to get your account set up through Axis 360. It only takes a few minutes to set up your user name and password. Axis 360 is available on Apple devices through the Apple Store and Android devices through Google Play. We are adding new titles, so download the app today!

## Wi-Fi Hotspot

No Internet access at home? Let the Library help with that.

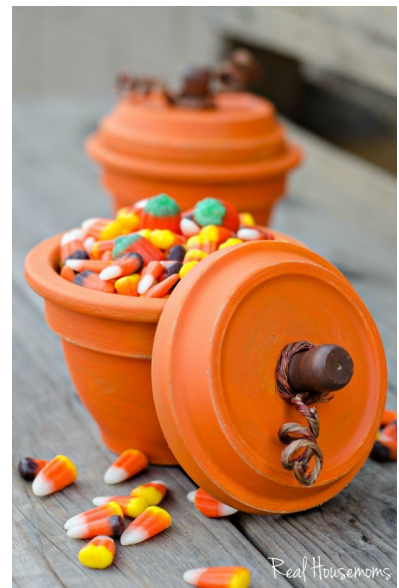
The Bell Memorial Library is soon to be circulating an Internet Hotspot. These devices are about the size of a large cell phone and connect the user to the Internet via cell phone towers. The device will circulate for a week and we are planning on allowing patrons to reserve the units.

For more information, contact Stephen Boggs at (574) 353-7234 or via e-mail at [sboggs@bell.lib.in.us](mailto:sboggs@bell.lib.in.us)



## ~Creative Corner~

Join us on Thursday, October 19th for Creative Corner. We will be making these adorable painted Terra Cotta Pot Pumpkins! Sign up sheets will be located at the main circulation desk. Cost for this class will be \$5.00 and there will be a limit of 20 participants. This craft is for adults only (ages 18+) Payment will be required prior to the start of the class. For questions or any additional info, please contact Billie or Sharon at 574-353-7234



### **Kids/Teens/Young Adults**

**Story Hour: every Wednesday at 3 pm & every Friday at 10 am**

**Lego Club: Saturday, October 21 @ 1 pm**

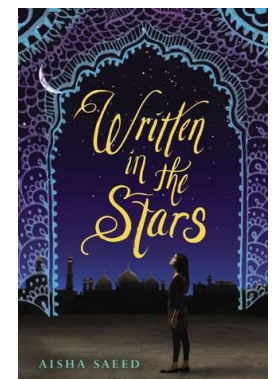
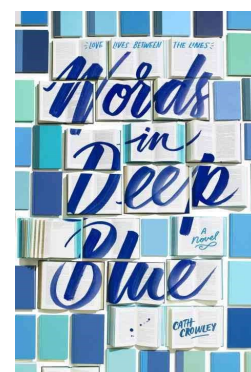
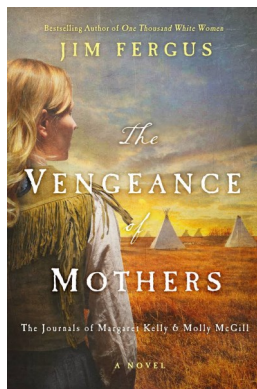
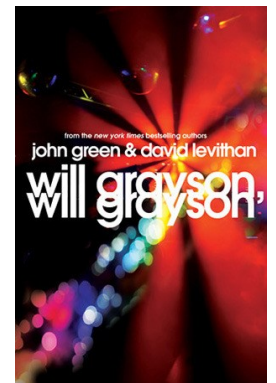
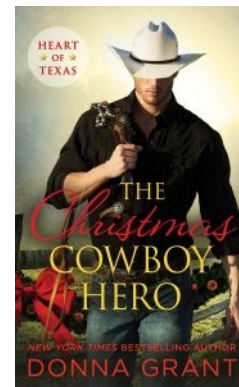
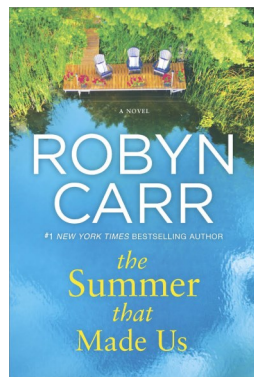
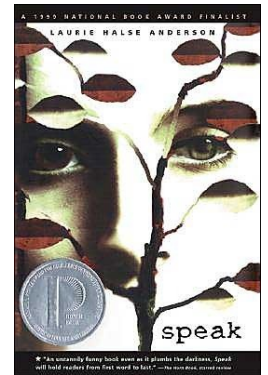
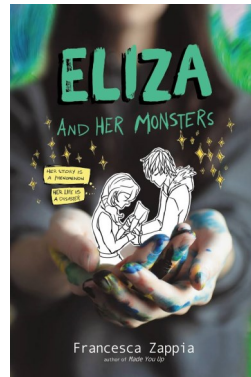
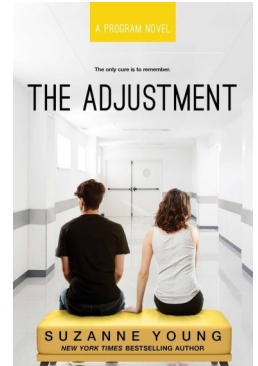
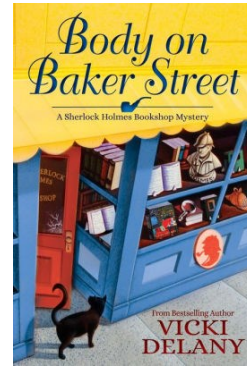
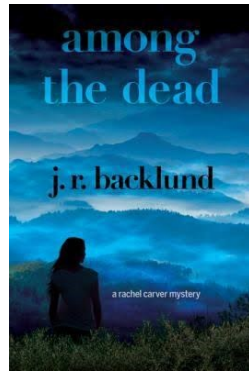
**Kids Halloween Party: Thursday, October 26 5-7 pm** in our large conference room. There will be a pumpkin decorating contest, games, food and drinks. Come dressed in your favorite costume! Ages Kindergarten-11 yrs. Sign up is required. Sign up sheets will be located at the main circulation desk.

**Teen Halloween Party: “A Night to Dismember”.** Thursday, October 26th 5-8pm in the Bell-X Room. Come dressed in your favorite Halloween costume or cosplay! We will have a best costume contest, games, food and drinks! Ages 12-18 only please. Sign up is required and sign up sheets will be located at the main circulation desk.



Adult Movie  
October 16  
1 pm

# Coming Attractions!!!





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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4 Story Hour 3 pm	5	6 Story Hour 10 am	7
8	9	10	11 Story Hour 3 pm	12	13 Story Hour 10 am	14
15	16 Adult Movie Growing the Big One 1 pm	17	18 Story Hour 3 pm	19 Creative Corner Terra cotta Pumpkins 5-7 pm	20 Story Hour 10 am	21 Lego Club 1 pm
22	23 Euchre 6 pm	24	25 Story Hour 3 pm	26 Kids Halloween Party 5-7 pm Lg Conf Room Teen Halloween Party 5-8 pm Bell_X room	27 Story Hour 10 am	28
29	30 Library Board Mtg. 6:30 pm	31 Trick or Treat At the Library 5-7 pm				