

NORTH VALLEY PUBLIC LIBRARY

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Discovery starts here
November 2025



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NOVEMBER ADULT PROGRAMS

Look Inside MPG Ranch and the Wildlife that Lives There

Thu, Nov 6 at 6:30pm

If you've ever wondered what MPG does and what wildlife lives at MPG Ranch in Florence, come meet Philip Ramsey, lead scientist and manager of MPG. The Bitterroot and the West are changing fast. Philip reveals how science and stewardship work together to keep wildlife thriving. Hear the history of MPG, and how research on land, water, and wildlife guide real management decisions. The talk covers cameras that let anyone watch wildlife lives, as well as efforts to bring back native plants, and what long-term studies show about elk, deer, and private land. Zoom option available.



Winter Tales & Traditions

Thu, Nov 13 at 6:30pm

Winter is a time for telling stories, homemaking, and keeping alive traditions--especially the simple and personal ones.

Experience winter customs, tales, and folklore figures from around the world, and, hopefully, go home inspired to welcome a little wonder and imagination into the coldest time of the year. Zoom option available.



DIY Pinecone Swags

Thu, Nov 20 at 6pm

Spruce up your door or gate for the festive season. Or in this case, Ponderosa Pine up your door! For this adult craft we're making pinecone swags...simple, easy, and beautiful. Materials provided.

Monthly Adult Programs



Fiber Arts Club

Thu, Nov 6 at 12-1:30pm

Enjoy the company of like-minded crafters.



Lunchtime Writer's Retreat

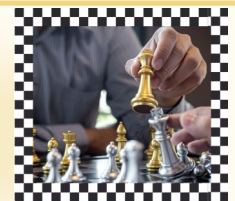
Mon, Nov 24 at 12-2pm

Carve out time to write or work on a creative project.

Men's Club

Thu, Nov 20 at 2pm

Make connections and conversation over a game of chess or checkers. **Be sure not to miss each other. Come promptly at 2pm!**



NEW PROGRAM

Saturday Morning Social for Adults

Starts Nov 1, 2025 at 10am-12pm (Nov 1, 15, 29)

Come chat, do a jigsaw puzzle, play a game, or color pages. The library will provide tea and coffee. You are encouraged to have cuppa and start a puzzle or start to color as you wait for others to arrive. Meets the 1st, 3rd, 5th Saturdays of the month.

REMINDER to amateur artists ages 18+. Fill out a submission form at [Tinyurl.com/2025NVPLART](https://tinyurl.com/2025NVPLART) by **Dec 1** to participate in the upcoming **Dec 5** in the **Winter Art Exhibit**

LIBRARY NEWS

Pause in Book Donations

**BOOK
DONATIONS
NOT
ACCEPTED**



**NO DONATIONS ACCEPTED UNTIL
FURTHER NOTICE**

The Foundation thanks you for another successful annual Big Book Sale fundraiser. Your donations are appreciated. The library is unable to take any book or AV donations until the remnants are dispersed. Please call the library later this November to find out when donations will resume.

We CANNOT accept Dirty/Damaged/Musty/Moldy items (even a small bit of mold can spread to other books & may cause health issues), textbooks, encyclopedias, VHS, cassettes, LPs, magazines, computer/medical manuals.

The library has a collection budget and purchases new materials monthly. Library staff regularly remove outdated materials from the collections to make room for new materials. Most donated items go on the free cart or our little ongoing book sale.

Thanksgiving Closures:
Wed Nov 26 close early at 5pm
Closed Thu & Fri
Nov 27 & 28



211 is also available online
<https://montana211.org/>



Help is three numbers away.

211

NON-EMERGENCIES

Food
Housing
Utility Assistance
Healthcare Services
Transportation
Legal Services
Counseling

988

SUICIDE AND CRISIS

Thoughts of Suicide
Mental Health Crisis
Substance Abuse Crisis
Emotional Distress
Veteran Crisis

911

EMERGENCIES

Medical
Fire
Abduction
Crime
Domestic Violence
Impaired Driving
Suspicious Activities



**Reading is a wild
adventure!**



**Ready 2 Read
Kids 0-4**

**YOU ARE AN IMPORTANT PART
OF A LITTLE ONE'S LIFE.
THAT CAN BE A BIG JOB.**

**Get learning tips and fun
activities for you and kids aged
zero to four texted right to your
phone, making learning with a
child easier for everyone!**

**Text MSL to 70138
to get started**

**Or use this code
to sign up online!**



LIBRARY NEWS

New Book Club! Montana Reads: The Treasure State's Book Club



The Montana 250th Commission recently launched a year-long series of virtual events designed to build excitement around the United States' 250th birthday in 2026. "Montana Reads: The Treasure State's Book Club" is a monthly online book discussion that will cover exciting topics and figures from United States, Montana, and Tribal history.

Renown historian H.W. Brands is the speaker for its **November event**. Brands is the Jack S. Blanton Sr. Chair in History at the University of Texas at Austin and author of more than thirty history books.

Each month, a member of the Montana 250th Commission will lead a presentation and discussion on books that explore myriad aspects of our shared history - from the Founding Fathers to Montana statesmen and women, cultural traditions to amazing innovation. These monthly discussions will feature conversations around the books' central themes, seeking applications to current challenges and initiatives facing our state and nation. Montanans are encouraged to participate in any and all of these events that they find interesting, and where possible to read the book in advance.

All "Montana Reads" events will **be held by Zoom on the second Thursday of each month**,

from 6:30 – 7:30pm MT. The Montana 250th Commission is excited to share these stories with all Montanans and will be bringing in special guests where possible to further bring this history to life.

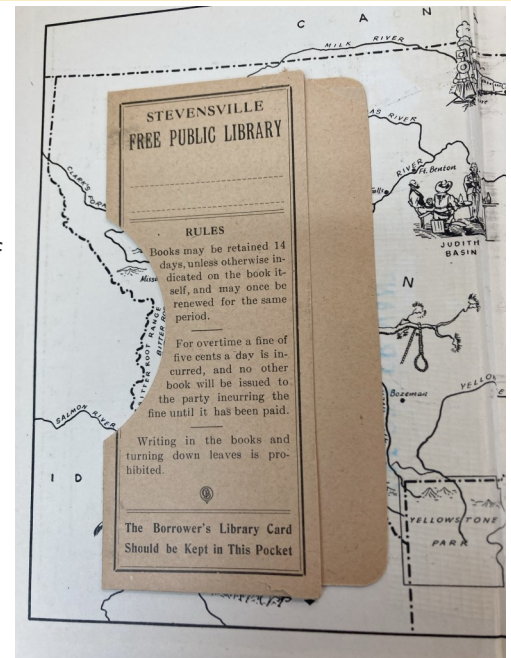
Thur., Nov. 13 - Founding Partisans: Hamilton, Madison, Jefferson, Adams and the Brawling Birth of American Politics, by H.W. Brands

Thur., Dec. 11 - The Boston Massacre: A Family History, by Serena Zabin

Sign up here on the Montana Historical Society webpage. <https://mths.mt.gov/education/Community-Events>

Blast from the past at the Library

As mentioned on the previous page, the Library staff regularly remove outdated materials from the collections to make room for new



materials. However, in the Montana room you can find some oldies but goodies. It is fun to run across some of our older Montana titles with previous cards or pockets. This one contains good advice saying, "Writing in the books and turning down leaves is prohibited."

LIBRARY NEWS

BEANSTACK READING APP

Montana State Library is now offering [Beanstack](#) to Montana public library users.

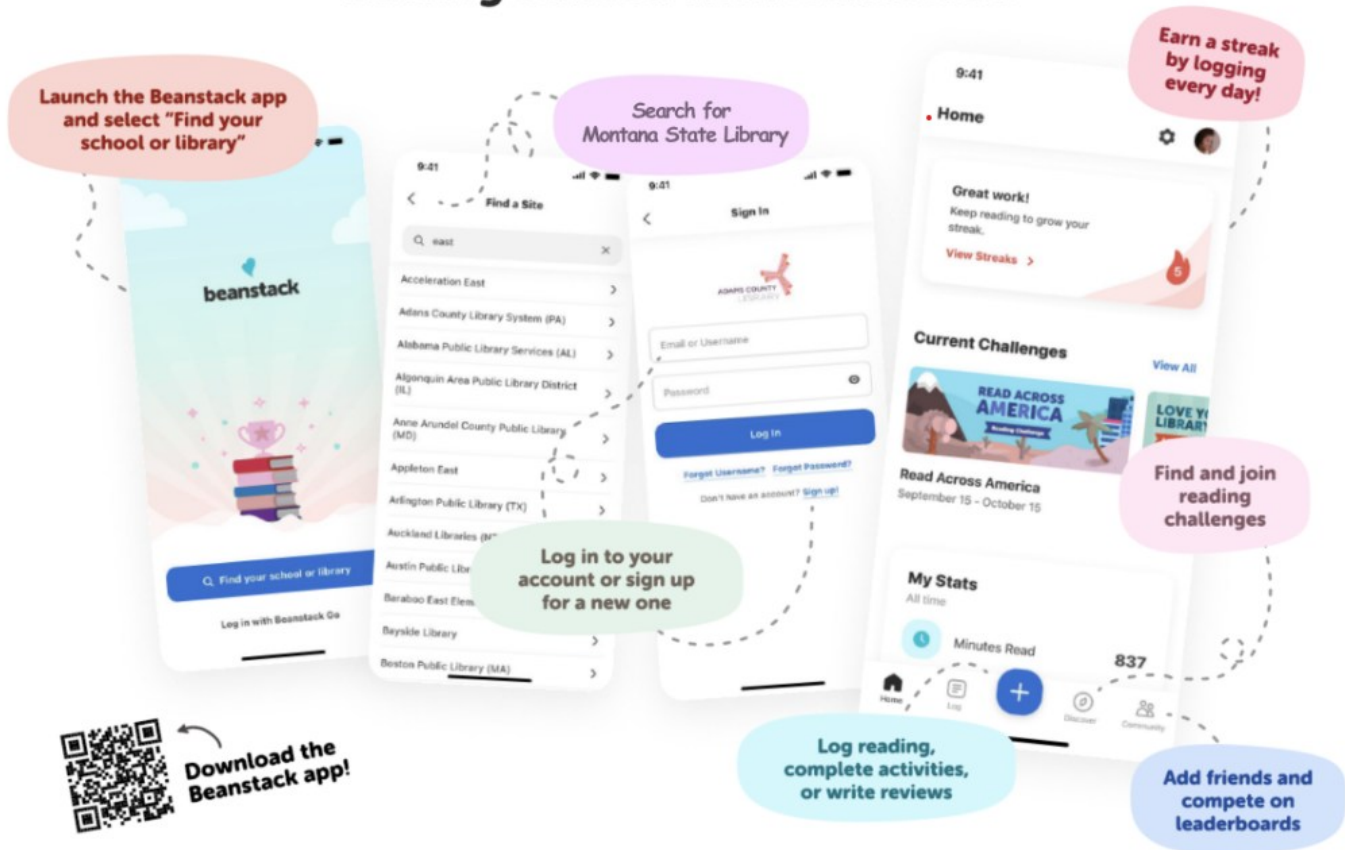
Beanstack is a reading app, for your computer or phone. It works like a fitness tracker, but you can use it to keep track of how much you have read!

<https://msl.mt.gov/libraries/lifelonglearning/Beanstack/page>.

Starting October 8, 2025, Ms. Lisa is entering the books she reads in *Baby & Me Storytime* and *Songs & Stories for Preschools*. Library staff will also be adding their favorite adult reads.

To add a friend on the Beanstack app, go to the "Community" icon, on the bottom of the screen. Tap "Add Friend," and enter a friend code. The North Valley Public Library's Code is OP65V19.

Getting started with Beanstack



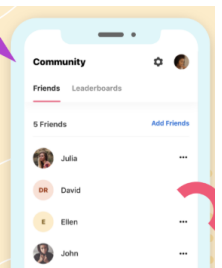
Create one account for the household and then add each family member as a separate reader within that account. During the initial registration, an adult can add all children by selecting "I am an adult registering a child" and repeating the process for each child. You can also add a reader to an existing account by going to your "Settings" or clicking your name, then selecting "Add a Reader".

Read with friends in Beanstack

Add friends to your Beanstack account to **share badges, challenges, and reading stats!**

Download the Beanstack Tracker app to start reading now!

Download on the App Store | GET IT ON Google Play | [beanstack](#)



**TURN A NEW PAGE ON
Christmas shopping at this
NOVEL event...**

Bookorations

December 5

5 to 8 pm

December 6

11 am to 4 pm

**Gifts & decor
made from
books plus
other novelty
gifts, tasty
treats, and
MORE!**

Annual Winter Art Exhibit

On December 5,
Bookorations will be
presented along with
the Annual Winter
Art Exhibit. Enjoy the
skill and creativity of
local artists while
you shop!

**North Valley Public Library
Community Room**
during Stevensville's "Country Christmas."



The October 2025
BIG BOOK SALE
was a GREAT SUCCESS!
Thank you EVERYONE
- shoppers, donors,
volunteers, NVPL staff!
We couldn't do it without all
of you!

NVPL FOUNDATION & FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

NOVEMBER YOUTH PROGRAMS

Babies, Toddlers, & Preschoolers

Baby & Me Storytime

Wednesdays at 10am, Ages 0-2

For parents, grandparents, & caretakers with babies 0-2 years. Nursery rhymes, music, & stories to engage those amazing young minds. **No program Nov 19 & 26**



Songs & Stories for Preschoolers

Wednesdays at 10:30am, Ages 3-5

Join this dynamic early literacy program, readying your child to read. Share in the fun with singing, clapping, reading, and dancing while connecting with other young families in our community. **No program Nov 19 & 26**

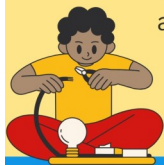


SCIENCE Squad

on Wednesdays with Science Officer Lisa

Hey explorers, investigators, and inventors ages 8-12! Experience the universe through Legos®, food, experiments and more.

Wednesdays at 2:30pm ~ Registration Required



No Science Squad Nov 19 & 26

LIBRARY HOURS

Monday - Friday: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

1st, 3rd, 5th Saturdays of the month: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

See our online [CALENDAR](#) for holiday closures and emergency weather closures.

Roleplaying Games, Ages 12-18



Tuesdays at 4pm

Enter the world of Dungeons & Dragons! Register online on the library's calendar. For more information email Emily at emilys@northvalleylibrary.org.

Open World Fridays, Ages 12-18

Fridays at 4pm,

That Friday Thing with an all-access pass to the cool stuff at the

library. Choose to do what's available or do something else exciting. Register online through the library calendar. You need not attend all sessions. **No program Nov 28.**



Drop-in Crafts

November is Native American Heritage month. Come learn about the indigenous people of America. The craft this month teaches about the Iroquois six nations (Haudenosaunee) with a midwinter bowl game.

Stop by to make your own bowl game and read about the significance of this traditional game.



Winter Solstice
(Midwinter) Bowl Game