Idaho Falls Public Library

Community Engagement
Adult, Teen, and Makerspace Programs
Report for November 2026

Information gathered from October 1-31, 2026

Adult & Teen Programs

- **4-H:** 2 events, 2 people
- **Booked at Noon Book Club:** 1 event, 7 people
- **Chapter 2 Book Club:** 1 event, 12 people
- **Chess Club Wednesdays:** 4 events, 2 people
- **Chess Club Saturdays:** 5 events, 16 people
- **Crazy Crafters:** 4 events, 52 people
- **D&D Days (Dungeons & Dragons):** 5 events, 46 people
- **Fit and Fall Proof Tuesdays:** 2 events, 4 people
    - Partner: Eastern Idaho Public Health
- **Fit and Fall Proof Thursdays:** 2 events, 2 people
- **Game Night:** 5 events, 47 people
- **Journal Jam:** 1 event, 3 people
- **Literary Luck:** 1 month, 85 entries
- **LybraryWyrms:** 4 events, 44 people
- **Mental Wellness Series:** 1 event, 10 people
    - Partner: National Alliance on Mental Illness Upper Valley Idaho
- **Never Too Late:** 3 events, 15 people
- **Paper Arts:** 1 event, 20 people
- **Spill the Ink w/ the Author:** 1 event, 2 people
- **Survivors of Suicide Loss Support Group:** 1 event, 10 people
    - Partner: Community Suicide Prevention
- **Teen Writing:** 5 events, 28 people
- **Trick or Treat:** Runs October 1-31, total entries: 309
- **Write Over Here:** 4 events, 51 people
- **Special programs/events**
    - **Empowered Caregiver:** 2 events, 10 people
        - Partner: Alzheimer's Association Great Idaho Chapter
    - **State of the Snake:** 1 event, 13 people
        - Partner: Idaho Conservation League
    - **History of League of Women Voters:** 1 event, 9 people
        - Partner: League of Women Voters of Idaho

- **Your Health Idaho:** 1 event, 13 people
    - Partner: Your Health Idaho
- **Breast Cancer Awareness with EIPH:** 1 event, 1 person
    - Partner: Eastern Idaho Public Health

Total events: 57; **total people:** 728

Upcoming special events and programs

- **NaNoWriMo 2.0:** throughout November
- **Voices for Human Rights Presents: Salvaged Pages:** November 4, 7pm
    - In partnership with Voices for Human Rights
- **Adoption display:** November 2-30
    - In partnership with Fostering Idaho
- **Recycle Your eWaste:** November 14, 11am-3pm
    - In partnership with eCyclers of Idaho
- **A Season of Support:** November 23, 10am-7pm
    - Patrons will be able to learn about physical and mental health issues, in addition to interacting with community partners that offer resources.
    - In partnership with Eastern Idaho Public Health.
- **Mental Health First Aid:** November 24, 10:15am-6:15pm
    - In partnership with Eastern Idaho Public Health
- **Winter Reading:** November 30-February 27
- **Bleed & Read:** November 30, 10am-3pm
    - In partnership with the American Red Cross
- **Recycle Your eWaste:** December 12, 11am-3pm
    - In partnership with eCyclers of Idaho
- **Extreme Book Nerd Kickoff:** January 5, 6-8pm
- **Extreme Book Nerd:** Begins January 6



Figure 1 / Never Too Late, October 1



Figure 2 / Trick or Treat display



Figure 3 / Crazy Crafters, October 6; photo credit: Shannon Bowen

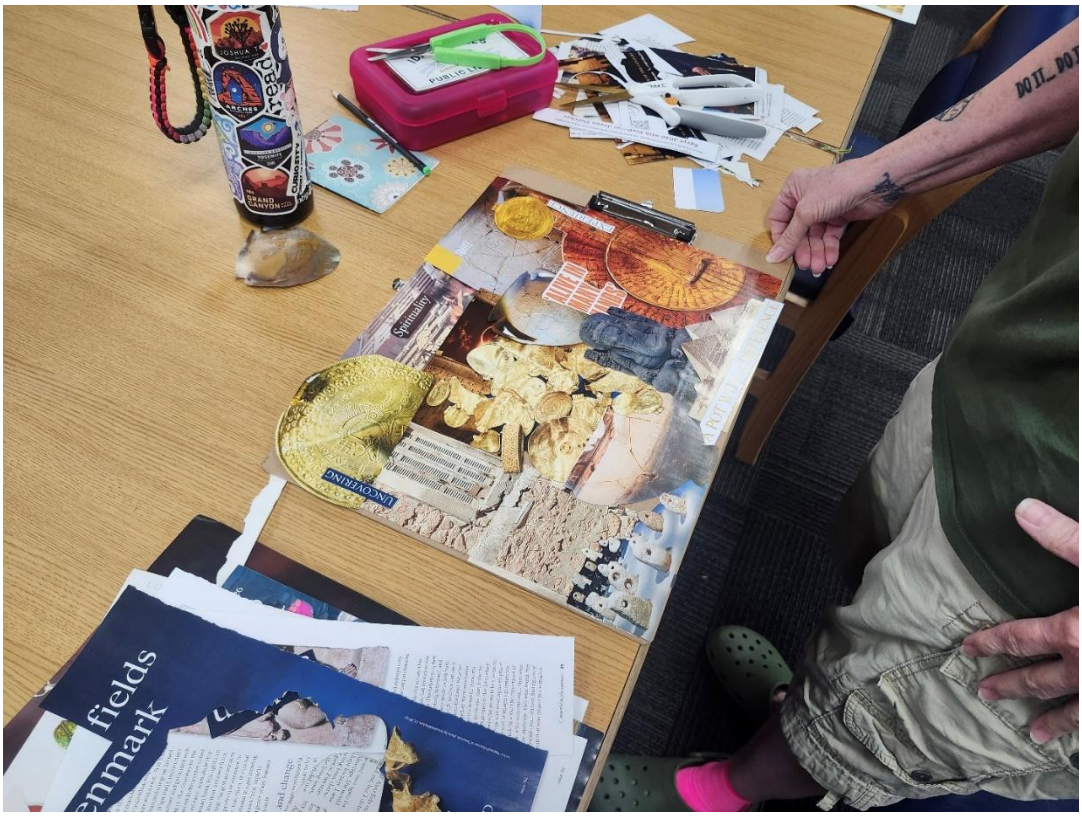


Figure 4 / Never Too Late, October 8

Adult & Teen Reading Programs

Extreme Book Nerd signups (total since January 6):

- Adult Extreme Book Nerd: 367 registered; 80 completed (22%)
- Teen Extreme Book Nerd: 63 registered, 11 completed (17%)
- Book Nerd Your Way (adult): 609 registered, 154 completed (25%)
- Book Nerd Your Way (teen): 108 registered, 30 completed (28%)
- Total registered: 1,147; total completed: 275 (24%)

Turn the Page Reading Program for Teens (total since January 26):

- Registered: 51; Prizes earned: 47

Makerspace Programs

Programs

- **Brickfast Club:** 5 events, 25 people
- **Coding for Kids:** 21 events, 47 people
- **Tech for Teens:** 8 events, 12 people

Total events: 34; **total people:** 84

Community Engagement and Outreach

Events

- My First Books with Migrant Head Start: 1 event, 43 people

Trainings, Meetings, Promotion, and Out in the Community

- **Restocked Early Learning Center @ EIPH Clinic**
- **Breast Cancer Awareness display**
    - Hosted at the library with 35 of our books and some promotional materials from EIPH
- **District 91 Advisory Committee**
    - Attended as a D91 parent, but ended up talking a lot about the library. This was to help D91 develop their strategic plan.
- **Bonneville Interagency Council**
    - Attended a meeting with several local agencies to learn what is going on in the County and to promote library services.
- **ICfL's LSTA Grant Focus Group**
    - Attended a Zoom call to assist ICfL with their strategic plan.
- **Rotary Club of Idaho Falls**
    - Attended most meetings (when library obligations did not prevent it).

Upcoming

- Wes Deist Aquatic Center 40 years anniversary planning, November 5
    - I'll be attending to see what the library can contribute to this event.
- Extension Joint Advisory Committee Meeting, November 9
    - I'll be attending to assist Bonneville County Extension with their strategic plan.
- TRIO Military Resource Fair planning, November 10
    - I'll be participating on a Zoom call to help plan for the next event.
- Dora Erickson Family Reading Night, November 17
    - I'll be talking library services and handing out books from a grant from ICfL.
- ICfL Summer Reading Workshop, November 18
    - I'll be attending to learn how to develop the adult and teen summer reading programs.
- National Adoption Day event, November 20
    - I'll be reading some stores about adoption at this event at the Bonneville County Courthouse.
- UTV Light Parade, December 18
    - I'll be attending as a member of Rotary for this community event.

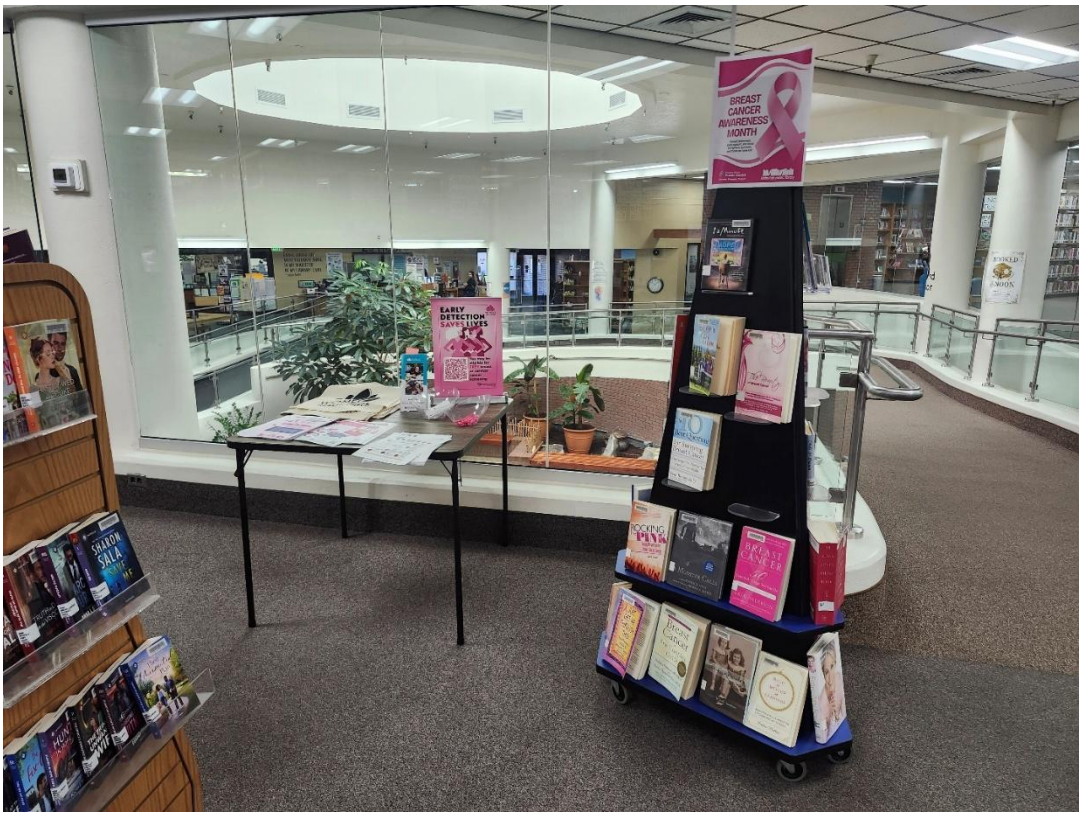


Figure 5 / Breast Cancer Awareness display



Figure 6 / Early Literacy Center at EIPH clinic