






MAY 2018 at the LIBRARY

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Library Hours:
Mon-Thurs: 9 am-9 pm
Fri-Sat: 9 am-5:30 pm
Sun: 1-5:30 pm   

EVENTS

Library Closed Memorial Day –
Mon., May 28

Adult College Opportunities – Information on starting or returning to college.
7 pm, Mon., Apr. 30 Sharon Lawson Room

The Cigar Factory: A Novel of Charleston – Author Michele Moore
7pm, Tues., May 1

May the Fourth Be With You: Star Wars Trivia – All Ages Look for special displays & café treats in library. Fun & prizes. Trivia in evening.
6:30pm, Thurs., May 3 Dorothy Herron Room A

Grace Notes Flute Ensemble Concert
7pm, Thurs., May 3 Main Gallery

Southern Appalachian Studies Series: Bluegrass Music Club– All Ages led by Josephine Cappelletti, Coulter Grove Orchestra Teacher. (Meets the 1st & 3rd Thursday of each month) For more information call 865-982-0981, ext. 4
6pm, Thurs., May 3 & 17 Staff Lounge

Smart Bicycling Skills for Adults (16+)
Preregister at 865-803-8887.
The Learning Lab @ BCPL Parking Lot
10am-2pm, Sat., May 12

Fiscal Fitness: Personal Banking Options - by Aaron Killian, Financial Relationship Consultant
6:30pm, Mon., May 14 Board Room

Job Fair - By the library & American Job Center-Alcoa. 25-30 employers. For More Information call 865-379-5525
Sharon Lawson Rm. & Dorothy Herron Rm. A
10am-12noon, Tues., May 15

BCPL Board of Trustees Meeting
5:30pm, Tues., May 15 Board Room

Adult Coloring – For Teens & Up
Coloring pages & supplies provided.
Reading Rotunda end of Main Gallery
7-8:30pm, Thurs., May 17

Appalachian Reads - Book Discussion of Silas House's *A Parchment of Leaves*, with Jan Taylor, facilitator. (Meets the 3rd Saturday of every other month.)
10:30am, Sat., May 19 Dorothy Herron Room A

Southern Appalachian Studies Series: Life on Mt. LeConte - Four Years as an Ambassador at the Top of TN – presented by Nathan Kirkham
7pm, Mon., May 21 Sharon Lawson Room

Adult Summer Reading Begins
Fri., June 1 through Mon., July 30
Tic-Tac-Toe: Pick up at Information Services or Patron Services. Return to Information Services to enter to win weekly prizes & a Grand Prize drawing by reading & more.

Mini-Con – All Ages - Wear costumes!
Adults, Teens & Children activities: cosplay costume contest, superheroes, local authors, food, vendors, trivia, more!
All Day, Sat, June 2 Throughout Library

CHILDREN EVENTS

Programs are in Children's Library unless noted

Elementary Age Activities:

Imagination Library Graduation Gala—
10:30am, Sat., May 5 Main Gallery

Summer Reading Challenge Begins! - All Ages Pick up Journals in Children's Library.
Fri., May 25 through Mon., July 30

Mini-Con – All Ages - Wear costumes!
(See under Events)
All Day, Sat, June 2 Throughout Library

LEGO Club--Grades K-5. Children complete themed & timed challenges + time for free play
4-5pm, Every Tuesday - LEGOs provided.

CHILDREN'S EVENTS (cont.)

STEAMkids--Grades K-5. A different adventure every week from science experiments to art projects. Materials available while they last. 4-5pm, Every Friday

--Keep Blount Beautiful: Go "green" using recycled materials. Fri., May 4 & Fri., June 1

--Wildlife Biologist Josh Mathenia
Fri., May 18

Play Chess @ Your Library: All Ages welcome to play chess each Thurs. and Sat. Teen Central Area
1-4pm, Thursdays & 10am-3pm, Saturdays
Sanctioned Chess Tournament: Monthly

Growing Ready Readers-Early Literacy:

Little Learners- Ages 3-5. Interactive sessions focus on language acquisition & pre-literacy skills: stories, music, motion, play, crafts. 10:30am, Tuesdays & Thursdays

--The Land of Great Turtles with author Bradley Wagnon Tues., May 29

Baby & Me—Ages 2 & under
Lapsit sessions feature short stories, action rhymes, music & pre-literacy tips & tricks for caregivers. Social time for caregivers & babies.
10 & 11am, Wednesdays

Family Storytime: Relax!—Open to all, but recommended for ages 5 & under Bring the whole family for interactive stories, songs, movement & activities.
10:30am, Sat., May 26

Sensory Story Time — Open to all, but especially designed for kids w/ special needs & developmental age of 3-5. Interactive stories, songs, movement. 6pm, Tues., May 29

TEEN EVENTS

Gaming @ Your Library - Games of all kinds: Board games, Mario Kart, Smash Bros., Yu-Gi-Oh! Pokémon or bring your own. Snacks provided.
2-4pm, Sat., May 12 Sharon Lawson Room

TEEN EVENTS (cont.)

Library Prom – Dress in snazzy attire, jeans, or old-school cosplay. Have fun with music, dancing, refreshments & games.
7-9pm, Sat., May 12 Main Gallery

Teen Writers Group - Join writing colleagues for discussion & inspiration, plan regular meetings, start a related Facebook group. Hannah Spirko, coordinator.
2pm-3pm, Sun., May 13 & 27 Board Room

Summer Reading Challenge Begins! - Teens pick up Journals at Information Services (near Teen Central Area).
Fri., May 25 through Mon., July 30

Teen Advisory Board – Join teens to help in planning programs, activities, & more. Give the library feedback.
4pm, Sat., May 26 Dorothy Herron Room A

ARC (Advanced Reader Copy) Reviews – Choose a book, read & write a review & post on the library's Facebook page. Displayed before you get to Reference and Teen Central Area. Through May 31

Mini-Con - All Ages – Wear costumes
Teen activities will include cosplay costume contest, food, trivia, vendors & more!
All Day, Sat., June 2 Throughout the Library

Play Chess @ Your Library: All Ages welcome to play chess each Thurs. and Sat. Teen Central Area
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Blount County Nerd Group: 7th grade & up Computer Programming/Coding by Kaleb Davenport & Garrett Smith
2:30-4pm, Saturdays Board Room

Dungeons & Dragons – All Ages welcome but recommended for ages 12 & up. A tabletop role-playing game led by Randy Royse, Ashton Royse, & Brandon Clackum.
5:30-8:30pm, Tuesdays Staff Lounge






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COMPUTER COURSES

Classes will meet in The Learning Lab @ BCPL (in separate building adjoining the library parking lot) *unless otherwise noted.

All Things Google Lunch and Learn Series - 11am-1pm, Fridays in The Learning Lab

[Online registration](#) required: Bring a sack lunch or optional box lunch available for \$10. Pre-order when registering.

May 4 Google Sheets Essentials

May 11 Advanced Google Sheets

May 18 Automating Tasks with Google Drive & IFTTT (If This Then That)

June 8 Learning Online Surveys with Google Forms

June 15 Using Google Slides to Create Presentations

June 22 Using Google Voice for Business

June 29 Get Up and Running with Google My Business

FREE Computer Courses to promote job skills are taught by Adult Ed. & library instructors.

Registration Required. Call 865-273-1428 or 865-982-0981 ext. 4 or go to Information Services (Reference Area).

(You must have some computer experience.)

Classes will meet in Dorothy Herron Room B down the library's Meeting Room Hallway *unless otherwise noted.

Microsoft Word 2016 Essentials

2-session class

2-4:30pm, Wed., June 20 & Fri., June 22

Microsoft Excel 2016 Essentials

2-session class.

2-4:30pm, Wed., June 27 & Fri., June 29

TECH TIME - BASICS

Sessions are in Study Room A - Reference Area

TECH TIME – Walk in and learn basic computer skills: Email, Internet, Facebook, Twitter, Pinterest & E-Books. Bring your technology questions & get assistance.

2:30-4 pm, Every Tuesday

EXHIBITS

May 1 to 31:

"TN Artists Assn. Show coordinated by Elden Elmer & Sharon Gillenwater – in Reading Rotunda end of Main Gallery.

"Photography" Exhibit by Gavin Morris, age 12– on Art Wall at Bookmark Café.

"Water Quality Month" Exhibit coordinated by John Lamb – in 1 square pedestal case in the Entry Rotunda.

"Immunizations: Blount County Health Department" Exhibit coordinated by Will Gates - vertical display case at the end of Patron Services Check-In Desk.

"Star Wars" Exhibit by A.J. Rowe & Jennifer Spirko – 1 mid-gallery display case near Magazine Shelves in Main Gallery.

"National Space Day" Exhibit by Mary Elmore - 1 mid-gallery display case near Magazine Shelves in Main Gallery.

"Summer Reading: Libraries ROCK!" Exhibit - 1 square pedestal case near AV area.

"Min-Con" Exhibit by Youth Services - in vertical display case near AV area.

"Life on Mt. LeConte" Exhibit by Linda Marcus in Genealogy display case at Temporary Books Shelves.

"Gardening For Wildlife" Exhibit by Sheila Pennycuff located in the display hutch in Information Services.

"Blount County Arts & Crafts Guild Member" Exhibit coordinated by Jeanie Dockery - on 2 easels in sitting area of the Main Gallery.

"Teen ARC (Advanced Reader Copy)" Exhibit located just before the Reference & Teen Central Area.

"Intrigued By the First Line" Exhibit by Patron Services in Main Gallery between the two Circulation Desks.

DATABASES & ONLINE RESOURCES (www.blountlibrary.org)

Gale Courses - Take free online noncredit courses entirely on the Internet whenever you want. Requires your Blount County Public Library card in good standing. Formerly Learn4Life/Ed2Go. Same great courses, new name.

Reference USA - Useful for corporate research and marketing purposes.

The Daily Times – Click to access the hometown Blount County newspaper from 1997 to present for news, obituaries, sports and more.

Ancestry Library Edition – An online genealogy database. (Available only inside the library.)

Gale Virtual Reference Library – Try these reference books delivered to you in e-book format.

Literature Criticism Online – Print materials delivered in a digital format. Dig deeper into literature criticism with the largest, most extensive compilation of literary commentary available with tens of thousands of hard-to-find essays.

Tennessee Electronic Library – Contains 33 databases of more than 400,000 subscriptions to periodicals and also includes ACT Preparations Resources, [HeritageQuest Online genealogy database](#), Job & Career Resources including licensure pre-tests.

Gale Cengage Learning – Magazines and journal articles, E-Books, Databases. Great information at your fingertips!

Gale Literature Resources Center – Content covering all genres and disciplines, time periods and parts of the world.

Health and Wellness Resource Center – Find alternative medicine focused research materials.

Lynda.com – Learn a new skill online, on your time. 6,412 courses in Business, Technology and Creative Skills taught by industry experts.

Newspapers – Knoxville News Sentinel, Newsbank, The New York Times and more.

Testing & Education Reference Center – Achieve your educational and career goals: Job search and workplace skills, college, military and GED test prep, resume, and study aids for all school ages.

GCFLearnFree.org – Self-paced lessons for computer classes, technology and more.

TechBoomers.com - Learn how to use popular websites.

DMV Practice Test – Free Driver education program containing the following state-specific practice tests information for car, motorcycle, CDL (commercial driver's license); online driver's manuals (car, motorcycle & CDL) and FAQ section with detailed answers to over 100 DMV-related questions.

Jobs4TN.gov – Tennessee jobs seekers and employers now have a more powerful tool in searching for jobs and job candidates, plus creating resumes.

Digital Photo Collections – At www.blountlibrary.org click on Learning and then E-Library. William O. Garner Photo Collection of 1890s Blount County people and locations. Also, the Historic Survey of Blount County Architecture, conducted by the Tennessee Historical Commission, consists of Blount County buildings dating from 1800 to 1930.

E-Reader Help!

How to Access/Download Free E-Books from the Library: Call the Reference Desk at 865-273-1428 or 865-982-0981, ext. 302, & schedule a time for an appointment for assistance to set up accounts to access R.E.A.D.S. for free downloadable e-books, audiobooks and materials through the library's website. **Bring these items:**

- library card in your name and in good standing
- your e-reader, tablet or other device (fully charged)
- email account username & password,
- Kindles e-readers:- Amazon account, email & password

Library Tours & Outreach

Group tours of the library may be scheduled by contacting Kathleen Christy (for adults at 865-982-0981) or Jennifer Spirko (for children and teens at 865-273-1414).