

# BARTLESVILLE BOOKMARK

**MARCH-APRIL 2022** 

# **RIDERS ON THE ORPHAN TRAIN**

Bartlesville Public Library is pleased to present "Riders on the Orphan Train" on **Tuesday, March 8th** at **7:30 PM** in the Library's Meeting Room A. This one-hour multimedia presentation includes live music by Phillip Lancaster and Alison Moore, a video montage with archival photographs and interviews of survivors, and a dramatic reading of the 2012 novel *Riders on the Orphan Train* by award-winning author Alison Moore. Bartlesville Public Library is only one of a few libraries in the state to offer this free public presenta-

tion, which is funded by the Oklahoma Humanities Council. This program is the official outreach program of the National Orphan Train Complex Museum and Research Center based in Concordia, KS, whose mission is to raise awareness and preserve stories about the orphan train movement.

Lancaster and Moore's program relates the compelling true story of the thousands of orphans and homeless children who were relocated across the country prior to child welfare reforms and the current foster care system. Between 1854 and 1929, over 250,000 orphans and unwanted children were taken out of New York City and given away at train stations across America. At least five hundred children were placed in new homes in Oklahoma. This system was originally organized by Methodist minister Charles Loring Brace and the Children's Aid Society of New York.

Many of the children were not abandoned nor orphaned, but were "surrendered" by their parents who were too impoverished to care for them. This seventy-six year experiment in child relocation is filled with the entire spectrum of human emotion, from heartbreak to happy endings and reveals a great deal about the successes and failures of the American Dream.

Although the program is about children, it is designed for all ages and to inspire and inform attendees about this little-known part of our history. Local relatives and acquaint-ances of Orphan Train Riders are especially invited to attend and share their stories with the audience. This program is free and open to the public.





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Construction on The Fortress is beginning! We are excited to begin this long awaited project.

It may get a little dirty and a little noisy but the end result will be great!

We appreciate your patience during this time.



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# **BPL Bingo Challenge**

During the week of Spring Break, March 14th-18th, children and teens can accept our BPL Bingo Challenge. Pick up a Bingo card at the Youth Services desk. Complete as many of the activity squares as you can during that week. These are all fun activities that can be done in the library, whether or not you have a library card. There will be three prize categories: completing at least one square, completing three squares in a row in any direction, and completing all squares on the Bingo card. Will YOU accept "The BPL Spring Break Bingo Challenge?"

# **UPcycling Art Program For Teens**

The Library will host 3 Bulls UPcycling on Saturday, March 26th at 2:00 PM. They make all sorts of fun and unique pieces, including: found object art, robots, rayguns, custom bluetooth speakers. upcycled lighting and even industrial style furniture. If you have an idea. Josh can probably build it!!! Josh will be lead teen participants in creating their own Upcycled Art.

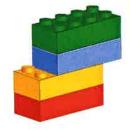


For more information, call 918-338-4170.

Submitted By: Laura Pryce

### **Lego Contest**

April will feature the return of our annual LEGO Creation Contest! This popular event is for everyone, with three age categories: PreK - 4th grade, 5th - 8th grade, and 9th grade - Adult. First, second and third place will be awarded in each category with one overall grand prize being awarded. Winners will receive LEGO products which are funded by the Bartlesville Friends of the Library.



Registration begins on April 1st. Forms and rules can be picked up at BPL's Youth Services desk.

Contestants will build their LEGO creations at home using their own LEGOs, abiding by the rules and criteria noted on the registration form. They will then drop off their entries at the upstairs meeting room of the library on Saturday, April 30th from 9:00 am to 11:00 am. The room will be closed at 11:00am to allow judging to take place. Awards will be presented at 1:00 PM that afternoon. It will be determined later whether the awards ceremony will be in-person or live-streamed. Winning entries will be shown in the library's lobby display case throughout the first week of May.

"Novices and experts are both welcome to participate," says Pryce. "We encourage everyone to try and to be confident, no matter their skill level." Submitted By: Laura Pryce

**New Exercise** Class Set To begin in March Ashley Burson will be offering a new exercise class starting in March. This class is a 10 class series and the dates are March 24, 31...April 7, 14, 21, 28...May 5, 12, 19 & 26 at 5:15 pm on Thursday evenings. Summer Body Prep has a variety of ways to keep you active, mobile and feeling great! We will enjoy different ways to be active to enhance your strength, endurance, flexibility, and balance. Weather permitting these classes will be held outside at Unity Square. If we have inclement weather the class will move inside to Meeting Room A in the library.

Submitted By: Karen Kerr-McGraw

#### **Friends Bookstore**

Hey Bartlesville are you missing the bookstores we once had? Do you love looking over the shelves and shelves of books to buy? Did you know that there is a bookstore inside the Library? Friends of the Bartlesville Library and BPL have a bookstore located right next to the circulation desk. The bookstore is open the same hours as the Library. The bookstore is full of all kinds of materials from books, magazines, DVDs, and audio books and more. This bookstore is definitely worth a look every time you are in the Library. New items are added weekly! Come in and discover this hidden gem. The bookstore is a great way to find great affordable prices, all while helping to support your Library. Follow the Friends of the Bartlesville Library on Facebook for the inside scoop on the book store. https://www.facebook.com/BartlesvilleFOL.

If you want to become a member of Friends of the Library and help them with the amazing things they do, there are membership brochures in the FOL bookstore. With your help, the sky is the limit!

Submitted By: Melissa Wilske

#### Accepting Donations



Great news—the Library is accepting donations every Wednesday. Please go to the back door by the loading dock and ring the doorbell. Please be patient for someone to come assist you, sometimes it takes us a few minutes to get to the door.

# **TLC Kits** Come take a look!

Do you know about BPL's TLC Kits for young children? TLC stands for "Taking the Library to Children." This fun and educational collection has been designed as a helpful aid in teaching your children about the world of learning and books. The materials in these themed kits have been selected to appeal to children of preschool age. Items include books, dvds, games, puzzles and other activities, along with a printed manual containing ideas and tips on how to use these resources. Each kit also provides a variety of links to online games, songs, videos and crafts that support the theme. Currently, you can check out TLC Kits on Colors, Community Helpers, Cowboys/Cowgirls, Dinosaurs, Fairy Tales, Farm, Transportation and Zoo. We will soon be debuting additional themes, including Shapes/ Sizes, Food/Nutrition and Seasons/Weather! TLC Kits can be checked out for a period of one week, one kit per adult library card. They can be found along the window ledge in BPL's Youth Services department.



Looking for a fun way to enjoy books & meet new people?

Join one of BPL's Book Clubs. Johnstone Irregulars I

Gentle Reads meet once a month and are always looking for new members.

Call 918-338-4161 for information.

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March 1 - 6:00 PM, Literacy Office Johnstone Irregulars Book Club will discuss The Alice Network by Kate Quinn. Everyone is welcome.

March 8-6:00-8:00 PM, Meeting Room C, Knit/Crochet Circle.

March 15 - 2:00-4:00 PM & 6:00-8:00 PM. Meeting Room C. Craft Class-Sew A Bowl Cozy

March 17 - 2:00 PM. Meeting Room B The Gentle Reads Book Club will discuss the book, Lean On Me by Pat Simmons.

March 24 - 6:30-8:30 PM, Meeting Room C. Genealogy 101 Class. Library Specialist Leslie Calhoun will provide an overview on how to start a genealogical research project.

March 31 - 4:00 PM, Meeting Room A & Facebook Live, #lifehacks, Monthly life skills program for 16-23 year olds.

April 5 - 6:00 PM, Literacy Office Johnstone Irregulars will discuss the book, The Sentence by Louise Erdrich.

April 12-6:00-8:00 PM, Meeting Room C. Knit/Crochet Circle.

April 19 - 2:00-4:00 PM & 6:00-8:00 PM, Meeting Room C. Craft Class-**Resin Charms** 

April 21-2:00 PM, Meeting Room B The Gentle Reads Book Club will discuss Comfort and Joy by Kristen Hannah.

#### **Weekly Programs**

Monday

Facebook Storytime, 11AM Spanish Class, 5:30 PM

Tuesday

ELL (English Language Learners) Class, 5:00 PM Citizenship Class, 6:00 PM

Wednesday Storytime: Babies/Toddlers-10AM, Preschool Age-11AM Citizenship Class, 5:30PM ELL (English Language Learners)-6:45 at Casa Hispana

**Thursday** 

Storytime: Babies/Toddlers-10AM, Preschool Age-11AM ELL (English Language Learners) Class-10AM Citizenship Class-11AM



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THE LIBRARY WILL BE CLOSED

March 4
Annual Staff Training Day

April 15 & 16 Good Friday & Easter Holidays

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Denise Goff, Editor

#### **Health & Fitness**

#### **March Classes**

Monday Pound, 6:00 PM Tuesday Yoga, 5:30 PM Wednesday Tai Chi, 1:00 PM

Dance N' Define, 6:00 PM

Xtreme Hip Hop, 7:00 PM

Thursday Best You Challenge, March 3 & 10, 5:15 PM

Summer Body Prep, March 24 & 31, 5:15

Exercise Classes are normally held at Unity Square If it is

colder than 40 degrees, the classes will be held in the

location:

Library's Meeting Room A.

Call 918-338-4179 for exact

Zumba, 6:00 PM

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#### **Programs**

In the Kitchen with Susan, March 1 & April 5, 12 Noon Journey Through Health, March 3, 10, 17, & 24, 10:00 AM Homestead Cooking & Natural Living, March 17 & April 21, 12 Noon

# **Creative Bug Video Database**

Have you ever wanted to learn how to crochet? Do you need crafting project ideas? Then, the Creative Bug crafting video database can help you out. This database available to Bartlesville Public Library patrons contains videos on many different crafts ranging from sewing to jewelry, which cover techniques and projects. There are also specialized videos on the topics of Art & Design, Holiday & Party, and Kids. This database also includes resources for crafters, such as a pattern library and biographies of the various instructors. It also has other resources, such as a community feature, that patrons can use. Patrons must create an account to use this database inside the library and use their library card to access the database outside the library.

Submitted By: Hayden Murphey

Spring is almost here. That means it is time to garden whether you are all about flowers or vegetables or both. If you are an expert or a novice, we have a book for you. Caring for flowers isn't difficult when you have the right tools for the job—knowledge. Here you will find plenty of information on how to grow flowers and basic flower garden care. From flower garden planting to handling problems with pests or disease, the following books can help guide you throughout the entire process. We have numerous titles for all type of gardening needs. From flower to vegetable gardens to raised beds. You can find it in the 635 section of the library.

Submitted By: Becky Swan



