

BARTLESVILLE BOOKMARK

Teens are invited to participate in Inktober, a challenge where you create one drawing a day in the month of October. We will have free starter kits available, including pocket sketchbooks and pens, and the library will have its own Discord server where participants can share and discuss their artwork.

September is Library Card Sign Up Month!

A library card provides access to technology, programs, information, and the opportunity to discover diverse stories and cultures from around the world.

Library cards are free. If you do not have a library card.. now it's the time to get one!

SEPTEMBER & OCTOBER 2021

IT'S YOUR HEALTH!

The Literacy Services Department is announcing a new line-up of programs, classes, and events to strengthen the health and wellness for area children, teens, adults, and seniors. Literacy Coordinator Karen Kerr-McGraw stated that "in the 2020 health rankings by the United Health Foundation, they listed Oklahoma in 46th place for overall health status when compare to other states. Oklahomans have high rates of heart disease, diabetes and obesity as well as unhealthy behaviors such as low consumption of fruits and vegetables and low physical activity." Thanks to a grant from the Oklahoma Department of Libraries, classes and programs designed to improve health and wellness will be offered weekly.

Beginning in September, the exercise classes will begin again at Unity Square. Two new classes, Dance N' Define and Body Weight Blast have been added to the schedule. Other classes include Yoga, Tai Chi, Rev + Flow, Pound, Zumba, Xtreme Hip Hop and Gentle Yoga.

Also, the all-time favorite cooking class, *In the Kitchen with Susan* begins monthly presentations on Tuesday, September 7th at 12 Noon. A new class, *Cooking Smart with Barb* will make its debut on Thursday, September 16 at 12 Noon. In addition, Ms. Kerr-McGraw said special program events will be held throughout the year, each targeting health and/or wellness. The first to get underway is a 4-part weekly information series regarding insurance presented by Lori Roll with Phoenix Insurance. The series begins Tuesday, September 7 at 10:00 AM and will cover a variety of topics related to all types of insurance.

Be sure to look at the calendar insert in this newsletter for the programs and classes for dates and times. All of these events are free and open to the public. Attend as many as you wish.

For more information, call Literacy Services at 918-338-4179.

SPECIAL EVENTS

**ESTATE
PLANNING
SEPTEMBER 29
2:00 PM**

Perry Brown, CFP, CTFa at Arvest Bank will discuss the ins-and-outs of estate planning.

**STARTING A
HOME BASED
BUSINESS
OCTOBER 19
11:00 AM**

Larry Thrash will present the basics in starting a home based business.

Both programs will be in Meeting Room A and on Facebook Live.

HAVE YOU TRIED OUR NEWEST SERVICE?

Have you tried the Library's newest service? If you haven't yet....you are missing out. Freegal is now available for Bartlesville Public Library library cardholders. Download the app from the Freegal website on your electronic device and the world of music is at your fingertips. There is music from every genre and every era with new songs added each week. Music videos and audiobooks are also available. Each day there are "featured" songs, albums, music videos, and audiobooks highlighted on the main page. If you are not interested in those, browse from the 13+million of titles they have in their catalog.

Patrons can download three songs each week and enjoy five hours of streaming without commercials or interruptions each day. This is all free of charge—all you need is your library card.

Go to www.freegalmusic.com and start listening.



Halloween Spooktacular

The Downtown Spooktacular block party will be back this year on **Friday, October 29th** along the streets of the Bartlesville Public Library, Price Tower, Bartlesville Community Center, First Presbyterian Church and Tower Center at Unity Square...all of which are sponsors of this fun event!

From **5:30-7:30PM**, enjoy trunk-or-treat, games, food and drinks, a haunted house, storytime, a book giveaway and many more goodies and surprises. At approximately 7:45, an outdoor movie will be shown on the stage of the Tower Center at Unity Square.

This Halloween event is free, open to the public and sure to be a Spooktacular time for all!

Submitted by :Laura Pryce

NEW ADDITIONS TO THE LIBRARY OF THINGS!

Did you know that you can check out things like, and a Sous Vide or a digital microscope? We've added many new items to our Library of Things collection. We now have an assortment of board games and a white noise machine. Have you been thinking about getting an Echo Dot? Come check one out and give it a try before you buy it. We have several fun music kits for kids to learn and play with, like the jungle jam playset. Make sure you explore our Library of Things collection the next time you are in.

Library of Things can be checked out for free with an active library card and a current photo ID for 1 week. Come explore the many options we have from car repair, to gourmet cooking, to learning to play the fiddle.

Submitted by: Melissa Wilske

WEBCAM & HEADPHONES NOW AVAILABLE

Thanks to a grant from the Oklahoma Department of Libraries, the Library now has Webcam and Headset Kits for patrons to use both in-house or at home. The webcam and headset can be used in a variety of ways! Patrons can utilize this kit for business meetings or content streaming to personal channels such as YouTube.

The Logitech webcam connects to a user's computer through a USB port and works for programs such as Zoom, Skype, and Twitch. The attached plastic cover provides visual privacy while not disrupting the quality of the streaming feed. The MPOW headset is both headphones and microphone; also connecting to the user's computer through USB. A unique feature to the headset is a handheld remote that allows for easier usage of basic volume and talk controls. A two-way USB adapter is also included in the kit. All these items come in a small plastic case that can be easily carried in a backpack, briefcase, or purse. No software is required for installation, but internet and computer access with a webcam compatible program is a must.



The Library has kits to checkout for both in-house and at home usage. The in-house kits are available upon request at the Information Desk. The take-home kit is maintained in the Library of Things Collection and requires a library card to checkout. Inquiries should be directed to the Information Desk or call 918-338-4169.

Submitted by: Kayla Ashley

PLAYAWAYS

Have you met our latest audio book system? The Playaway is a pre-loaded audiobook that gives you the option to listen to audiobooks anytime, anywhere. No other device, technology, or Wifi connection is needed. It is powered by batteries that are provided. Going on a trip and want to listen to an audiobook? Does your vehicle not have a cd player? The Playaway has a universal audio jack that is compatible with headphones, ear buds, and auxiliary cords. This means you can hook it to your vehicles audio system, headphones, earbuds, or a portable speaker. This makes it easier for multiple people to be able to listen at the same time. Playaways can be found in the Juvenile, Young Adult, and Adult sections. Come check out the variety of titles today. Don't have any earbuds or an auxiliary cord? We can help you out. You can purchase a male to male aux cord for \$2.00 from the circulation desk. You can get Earbuds at the reference desk for \$2.00. Start enjoying your audiobooks anywhere you want too.



Submitted by: Melissa Wilske

PERSONALIZE YOUR GIFTS

Make your gifts extra special this year by personalizing them at the Library's Creative Corner. The Library has a specialized crafts area with all the supplies and equipment you would need to create the perfect gift. Whether the occasion is a birthday, anniversary, or Christmas, it's a great time to get started on those personal gifts that mean so much. If you are a long-time crafter or diving into crafting for the first time, the BPL has just what you need.

In the Creative Corner, crafters will find a Cricut Maker and a Cricut Expression along with the accessories needed to create one of a kind projects. Basic tools (scraper, weeder, spatula, etc), blades, cutting mats and pens are included. Choose from a large collection of cartridges to use with the Expression as well as cardstock and specialty scrapbooking paper. There is also a heat press available for transferring heat transfer vinyl (often called "HTV"), and a Cricut Bright Pad to illuminate fine lines for tracing, cut lines for weeding, and more.

The Maker is perfect for use with a wide range of materials including paper, cardstock, vinyl, cardboard, fabric, thin wood and leather. Many crafters love to use Cricut machines for greeting cards, scrapbooking, paper crafts or customizing T-shirts with iron-on designs. Making custom mugs and tumblers is another popular use for vinyl decals created with Cricut. Party decor, wall art, customized signs, stickers... the list goes on and on and the possibilities are endless! Let your imagination take you away!

One of the best places to find Cricut projects and cut files is on [Cricut Design Space](#). This is where all Cricut projects begin, whether you are creating something from scratch or using a pre-designed project. The Library provides that subscription for you. Design Space contains a huge database of images and fonts to help you create whatever you can think up!

There really is something for everyone when it comes to the Cricut machine, however, getting started can be a little intimidating. Just let the staff know that you are using the equipment for the first time and they will explain the basics to you. There are also many great tutorials online. With a couple of practice projects, you can learn enough basics to get you on your way toward creating whatever you dream up. You can reserve a three-hour time slot to use the Creative Corner by calling the Information desk at 918-338-4168. The possibilities are endless in the Creative Corner. Happy Crafting!

Submitted by: Kim Inman

WEEKLY EVENTS

Mondays

Storytime on Facebook Live!
11:00 AM
Spanish Conversation Class
5:30 PM

Tuesdays

Citizenship Class 10:00 AM
ELL Conversation Class
5:30 PM

Wednesdays

Storytime
Babies/Toddlers-10:00 AM
Preschool Age-11:00 AM
Citizenship Class 5:30 PM

Thursdays

Storytime
Babies/Toddlers-10:00 AM
Preschool Age-11:00 AM
ELL Conversation Class
10:00 AM



CRAFTING AT BPL!



CROCHETING FOR BEGINNERS - Want to learn how to crochet but not sure where to start? This is the class for you! Join instructors, Sherry and Kim, as they walk you through the basic stitches and teach you the tools and techniques you need to get started. Learn to select the right yarn and decipher tricky yarn labels, properly hold your hook and working yarn, work in rows and troubleshoot rows gone wrong. Then become comfortable reading patterns.

The crafting class will be held on **September 21st from 2:00-4:00 PM, then again at 6:00-8:00 PM**. Participants must call the Local and Family History room at 918-338-4167 to register. Please let us know which class you would like to attend when registering. The class is free and all supplies are included.

KNITTING 101 FOR BEGINNERS - A knitting class for beginners will be held on **October 19th**. Instructors Sherry and Kim will cover the basics of casting on (or beginning), knitting, purling, binding off (or ending), yarn selection and more. They will also talk about yarns, weights and their different uses, and which knitting needles to use with different weight yarns.

The Knitting 101: Beginner Class is perfect for a total newbie or as a refresher if it has been a while since you had your hands on your needles. Two classes will be held, one in the afternoon and one in the evening.

Participants must call the Local and Family History room at 918-338-4167 to register. Please let us know which class you would like to attend when registering. The class is free and all supplies are included.

The class will be from **2:00-4:00 PM, than again at 6:00-8:00 PM** in Meeting Room C.



Submitted by: Kayla Ashley & Kim Inman

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Youth Services Department
338-4170

Local & Family History Department
338-4167

Literacy Services Department
338-4179

Administrative Services
338-4161

Website
www.bartlesville.lib.ok.us



The Library will be closed Monday, September 6 for the Labor Day Holiday

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CHECK IT OUT!



STEM KIT COLLECTION

The Bartlesville Public Library strives to be a dynamic and relevant library, always adding new materials, resources and programming. Thanks to a generous grant from Phillips 66, we have added new STEM Kits to our Youth Services collection. These are available for checkout, one at a time for one week, with an adult library card. Included in the collection are Code-a-pillars, Dash Robots, Cubelets, Makey-Makeys and Sphero Spark+ Robots. Each kit develops coding, programming and critical thinking skills in fun and entertaining ways! Some of the kits require the use of your own smart phone or tablet to enable them to operate properly. "We hope to add more STEM Kits to the collection," says Laura Pryce, Youth Services Librarian. "Our intent is to provide something for all ages, from toddlers to teens." The kits are shelved right next to the Youth Services desk, ready for you to come and check them out!



Submitted by: Rebecca Bratro & Laura Pryce



The Literacy Services Department is honored to present two new U.S. Citizens, Calixta Huerta & Roberto Fernandez



Both were students in the Citizenship Classes offered at the Library.

CONGRATULATIONS!

The Gardening Series final program will be **Tuesday, September 7th At 6:00 PM.**

Master Gardener David Turner Will speak on *Pruning Trees & Shrubs*

Program will be held in Meeting Room A.



LIFEHACKS

Lifehacks: Medical Care and Soups

Kayla Guerra will present what information is needed when seeking medical advice. Topics such as the best way to describe illness symptoms and what services to expect from a clinic. Also, what medicines you need to keep on hand. **Sept. 30th 4-5:30PM**

Lifehacks: Job Success and Halloween Treats

Dawn Gray of the Oklahoma Employment Security Commission, Bartlesville office, will present on how to succeed at a job with Dusty Hardester demonstrating how to make fun Halloween treats! **Oct. 28th 4-5:30PM**