

BARTLESVILLE BOOKMARK

January/February 2023

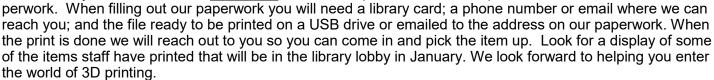


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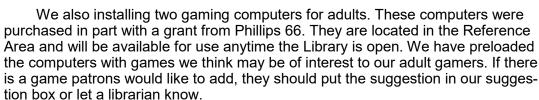
The Bartlesville Public Library is excited to announce three new additions for patrons to enjoy in 2023. We are committed to make our Library the place where everyone wants to come and stay a while. After a year+ wait for construction, **The Fortress** is now <u>OPEN</u> for teens in middle school and high school! The Fortress gives teens the chance to sit, visit with friends, study, or play games. There are four fully equipped gaming stations loaded with games that can be played individually or as a group. Teens can also play board games, read graphic novels or play the Pinball Machine. Based on a "castle theme", the Fortress is the perfect area for teen entertainment.

The Library now offers **3D printing services**. Thanks to a community grant from ConocoPhillips, a Dremel 3D45 Digilab filament printer will be available in January. Projects are free for library card holders but there are a few steps that need to be taken before a print can be made: Step One: Find a 3D printable file you want to print. These are most often in the .stl or .obj format. We are limiting prints to no taller than 6" and a build time of no more than 10 hours. These limits may change as our experience grows. Step Two: Convert your file to the .G3DREM format that Dremel uses for their 3D printers. Library Reference staff can help you with this step if you need assistance. There are also a variety of

resources on the internet to help. <u>Step Three:</u> We are not charging for filament and there are some amazing colors available, so the next step is to come in and choose your filament color. <u>Step Four:</u> The last step is to fill out some pa-

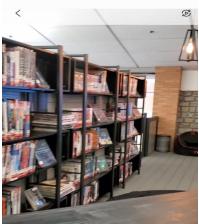






As we have noted in the past, we are committed to keeping with this Library's traditions but will also recognize and implement the newest collections and library trends when they benefit the Bartlesville community. We are happy to have these projects completed. What is next? After a short break, the next department to be refurbished is the Reference Area. Planning is underway now. Watch for details as they become available!





BPL CAREER CENTER

According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, unemployment in America is at 3.7% as of November 2022. There was a notable increase in employment positions in leisure and hospitality, health care, and government, with a notable decrease in employment in transportation and warehousing. Bartlesville Public Library understands ... it is a job finding a job and we try to make this process a little bit easier. The Library has made available a computer specifically for patrons searching for a career. Located in the Career Center cubicle and functioning on a first-come first-serve basis, the computer has no time limit, a printer, and features



desktop links to VetNow and JobNow databases intended to make job hunting easier. Books on developing resumes and conducting interviews are also provided. If needed for interviews or training purposes, both headphones and a webcam kit (headset with microphone and USB webcam) are available for at the Information Desk. Library staff can also scan-to-email important documents needing to be uploaded to hiring websites.

For more information, visit the Information Desk or call (918) 338-4168.

Submitted By: Kayla Ashley



The AARP Tax Volunteers will be at the Library assisting Bartlesville residents with income tax preparations. They will be here on Mondays,

Tuesdays, and Wednesdays from 9:00 AM-4:00 PM beginning on February 1st.

Services will be provided by appointment only. Appointments can be made beginning January 17, 2023. Please call the Library at 918-338-4187 or 918-338-4162.

Needing forms? All IRS and state tax forms can be found online at the IRS and the Oklahoma Tax Commission website (www.irs.gov or www.tax.ok.gov). Forms can also be ordered by phone at 1-800-829-3676 (IRS) or 1-800-522-8165 (OTC). If you need assistance, Library Staff will help you find the form(s) you need.



The 2023 Creative Writing Contest is now underway and open to all aspiring writers!

Applications are available at the Circulation & Information Desks and on the Library's website.



The Literacy Services Department is excited to introduce a new exercise class beginning in January 2023. CHEERFIT Dance is a total body, mood-boosting workout. Sweat, sculpt and dance it out with a combination of cardio exercises, along cheer and pom inspired choreography! Elevate your heart-rate with a fusion of signature moves to improve balance, endurance, flexibility, and coordination.

Class is normally about 40-45 minutes and is an intermediate level of intensity! The intensity level can be adjusted as well based on the activity level of the group overall by changing up exercises

to fit the needs of everyone. No prior cheer or dance experience is required and there is no jumping, stunting, or tumbling involved. Pom-poms are provided.

Certified instructor Macie Lowe will conduct the class on Tuesdays, beginning January 3rd at 6:00 PM in Meeting Room A at the Library. Video on Demand classes can be found recess.tv/@cheerfitwithmacie.

For more information on this new class, call 918-338-4179.



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BPL TEEN ADVISORY BOARD

BPL strives to serve everyone in the community, including our teens. In that endeavor, the library offers teens the opportunity to serve on a Teen Advisory Board. This group is essential in helping BPL provide relevant, fun and educational programming and resources to area middle-school and high-school aged youth. Previous boards had a big say in the development of our new Teen Fortress, for example. The kids meet with Laura Pryce, Youth Services Librarian, monthly and also regularly volunteer their time in other ways such as helping at youth programs, prepping the children's take-home crafts, creating the monthly YA book display and more. Our current group has been crucial in helping staff with teen programming ideas and a policy of behavior for the new Teen Fortress. This group consists of Autumn Dudley, Colt Haywood, Isabel Thoreson, Jacob Brink, Jonus Gerrits, Liliana Drymon, Mathilde Hufford-Varrone, Sara Brink, Saraia Latorraca, Sophia Ferguson, Tabitha French and Vivian Buchanan. If you or someone you know is interested in serving on BPL's Teen Advisory Board in the future, applications are available each August and the service term goes from September to May. Says Ms. Pryce, "These teens are a vital part of the library's service to area youth, offering their various talents, interests and knowledge of what the kids their age are into. We appreciate them immensely!"

Submitted By: Laura Pryce

KIDS & TEEN PROGRAMS



GOOD VIBRATIONS is a library program for children ages 6-12 that will demonstrate stringed musical instruments. The program will be from 11am to noon on Saturday, January 28th in Meeting Room A. At this program, Bartlesville High School students will talk about the basics of their instruments and also play short musical pieces. Children can ask the students questions about their instruments.

STORMING THE CASTLE is a library program for children ages 6-12 that will demonstrate catapult design and materials. The program will be from 10-11am on Saturday, February 25th in Meeting Room A. At this program, participants will build catapults with spoons and popsicle sticks to launch various lightweight projectiles, such as marshmallows. The program will conclude by "storming" a Lego castle. Come find out if a bean flies farther than a pompom.

TEEN WRITING WORKSHOP will be held on <u>Saturday</u>, <u>February 18</u>, <u>2:00-4:00 PM</u> led by author Jennifer McMurrain. The workshop will be held in Meeting Room A. Sign up is required. The link will be posted on the Library's website and social media sites on February 1st.

Submitted By: Hayden Murphey & Laura Pryce





UPCOMING EVENTS

January 3 - 6:00 PM, Literacy Office Johnstone Irregulars Book Club will discuss All of the Children Are Home by Patty Francis. Everyone is welcome.

January 10 – 2:00-4:00 PM & 6:00-8:00 PM, Meeting Room C. <u>Craft Class-Designing Coasters</u>

January 14 & 28, 1:00-3:00 PM, Meeting Room B. Read to Hodge, call 918-338-4170 to schedule time.

January 17 - 6:00-8:00 PM, Meeting Room B, Art Therapy.

January 19 – 2:00 PM, Meeting Room B, Gentle Reads Book Club will discuss the book, The Christmas Bus by Melody Carlson.

January 21 - <u>Lego Club</u>, 10:00 AM, Meeting Room A.

January 23 - <u>American Red Cross</u>
<u>Blood Drive</u>, 11:30-5:30, Meeting Room
A.

January 31 - Photography Class, 6:00-8:00 PM, Meeting Room C

February 7 - 6:00 PM, Literacy Office, Johnstone Irregulars Book Club will discuss Vanishing Half by Bret Bennett.

February 11 & 25, 1:00-3:00 PM, Meeting Room B, Read to Hodge, call 918-338-4170 to schedule time.

February 13 - <u>American Red Cross</u>
<u>Blood Drive</u>, 11:30-5:30, Meeting Room
A

February 14 - 6:00-8:00 PM, Meeting Room C, <u>Art Therapy.</u>

February 14 – 2:00-4:00 PM, Meeting Room C. <u>Craft Class</u>

February 15 - 6:00-8:00 PM, Meeting Room C. <u>Craft Class</u>

February 16 - 2:00 PM, Meeting Room B, Gentle Reads Book Club will discuss Eleanor Oliphant is Completely Fine by Gail Honeyman.

February 18 - <u>Lego Club</u>, 10:00 AM, Meeting Room A



600 S. Johnstone Bartlesville, Oklahoma 74003

Automated Renewal

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Reference 338-4168

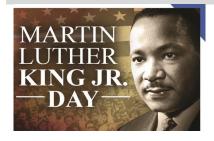
Youth Services 338-4170

Local & Family History 338-4167

Literacy Services 338-4179

Administrative Services 338-4161

Website www.bartlesvillelibrary.com



Library will be closed

Monday-January 2 (New Year's Day-Observed)

Monday-January 16 (Martin Luther King, Jr. Day)

Monday-February 20 (Presidents' Day)



HEALTH & WELLNESS IN 2023!

The Literacy Services Department has a stellar line-up of programs and classes to strengthen the health and wellness for area residents. According to the United Health Foundation, Oklahoma ranked 46th in overall health status when compared to other states in 2020. 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 were reported. Thanks to an annual grant from the Oklahoma Department of Libraries, a multitude of programs and classes designed to improve health and wellness are being offered....all free of charge!

Programs:

January 11, 12 Noon January 11 & 25, 10:00 AM January 17, 12 Noon January 19, 12 Noon January 26, 11:00 AM

February 7, 12 Noon February 8 & 22, 10:00 AM February 16, 12 Noon Healthy Living Series
Menopause Presentation
Simple Eats with Amanda
Fitness Presentation

In the Kitchen with Susan

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Weekly Classes:

Mondays Tuesdays

Wednesdays

Thursdays

Pound Class, 6:00 PM Best You Challenge, 5:15 PM CHEERFIT, 6:00 PM Tai Chi, 9:00 AM Dance N' Define, 6:00 PM Zumba, 6:00 PM Xtreme Hip Hop, 7:00 PM

All programs and classes will be held in the Library's Meeting Room A. All these events are free and open to the public. Attend as many as you wish!

Be sure to checkout our new monthly program event

<u>Art Therapy!</u>

January 17 & February 14

For more information, call 918-338-4169

FOR TEENS:

Tuesday, January 24th at 6:00 PM Meeting Room C



Faux Leather
Crafting – Using
masking tape and
shoe polish, teens
will cover various
items in a cool
leather look!

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Denise Goff, Editor



Do you love to take pictures? Have you wondered what you can do to take

them up to the next level *without* buying a bunch of gear? Have you heard things like "rule of thirds", "golden hour", or "Golden ratio" and wondered what it all means? Come join Jason for a low key, relaxed discussion class on simple things you can do to take better pictures with whatever camera you have in your hand right now. Photography Class will meet on Monday, January 30th, 6:00-8:00 PM in Meeting Room C. For more information, call 918-338-4169.

Submitted By: Jason Patteson