



# 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 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> 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. 20-25 employers. Bring Resume. For More Information call 865-379-5525  
Sharon Lawson Rm. & Dorothy Herron Rm. A  
9am-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 3<sup>rd</sup> 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:** 7<sup>th</sup> 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” Exhibit** 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](http://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](http://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).