BCPL EVENT CALENDAR

WHAT'S HAPPENING
August and September 2019

Blount County Public Library programs and publications are made possible through the generous support of the Blount County Friends of the Library.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED
You can really help your library! Your spare change can buy a donated book or two. Your spare time can do even more! We have interesting and satisfying projects you can work on at your own pace and your own schedule. Come be a part of a worthwhile effort to keep our great library one of the essential centers of our hometown. Get in touch with us and let’s talk about it!

For volunteer info:
call (865) 982-0981 ext. 1451
e-mail friendsbcpl@hotmail.com

To see the list of exhibits, visit
http://blountlibrary.org/1323/
Exhibits-Collections

COMPUTER COURSES-
ONLINE REGISTRATION
REQUIRED

Microsoft Excel 2016 Essentials
Tuesday, September 17, 2019
Microsoft Excel 2016 Advanced Tips and Tricks
Thursday, September 19, 2019
Microsoft PowerPoint 2016 Essentials
Tuesday, September 24, 2019
Microsoft PowerPoint 2016 Advanced Tips and Tricks
Thursday, September 26, 2019
Gmail Basics
Tuesday, October 1, 2019
BOOK-A-LIBRARIAN
Need help with technology & don’t know where to start? Need a resume or writing assistance? Complete the online form to schedule assistance from a library staff member.

OPEN LAB
Saturdays,
9 a.m. - 4 p.m.
The Learning Lab
You Can Code, 1 - 4 p.m.

IT'S YOUR CAREER SOFT SKILLS
Bring your mobile device, tablet, or laptop, or one will be provided for your use. Online Registration Required. https://bit.ly/2JsyPEK

COMMUNICATING AND LISTENING EFFECTIVELY
Friday, August 30, 7:30 - 10 a.m.
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SASS: QUITLIN’ BEE
August 1 and 15, September 5 and 19, 10 - 11 a.m. Board Room
Adventures in hand quilting for all ages and skill levels.

ADULT COLORING
Thursdays, August 15 & Sept. 19, 7 p.m. Adult Services
Join us & take part in this stress-relieving & therapeutic activity for ages 16+

SASS: THAT GOOD OLE MOUNTAIN DEW: MOONSHINE IN THE GREAT SMOKEY MOUNTAINS
Monday, August 26, 7 p.m. Children's Library
Dan Pierce, University of North Carolina Asheville history professor. Pierce will relate stories of the moonshine industry in the Great Smokey Mountains.

SEED SAVING 101 WITH BEN COHER
Wednesday, August 28, 2 - 4 p.m. Sharon Lawson Rm.
This workshop will cover the specifics of how and when to harvest seeds from a number of traditional garden veggies.

SMART BICYCLING TRAFFIC SKILLS 101: AGES 16 AND UP
September 9, 7 - 8:30 p.m. The Learning Lab parking lot
This course combines online instruction with parking lot and on-road practice of vehicular bicycling principles. Preregistration is required: call Smoky Mountain Wellness at 828-584-8897, or email donnasuedixon@hotmail.com

FOCUS ON SENIORS: GET MOVING!
Wednesday, September 25, 11 a.m. Sharon Lawson Rm.
This program is presented by volunteer instructors with the exercise class Staying Active and Independent for Life (S.A.I.L.)

APPALACHIAN READS BOOK CLUB
Saturday, September 21, 10:30 - 11:30 a.m. Dorothy Herron Rm. A
This month’s book is Prayers the Devil Answers by Shanyn McCumb.

NOTE: During August, there will be NO regular Children’s Programming. Our Storytimes, Art with Amanda, STEAMkids, and LEGOS in the Library, etc., will resume in September.

LITTLE LEARNERS: PRE-SCHOOL STORYTIME
September 10, 10:30 a.m. Children’s Library
Music, books and crafts, especially for ages 3-5.

SASS: MARYVILLE COLLEGE: NOBLE, GRAND AND TRUE FOR 200 YEARS
Monday, September 30, 7 p.m. Main Library
We celebrate this exciting bicentennial milestone with stories of Maryville College’s history and heritage.

SENSORY MOVIE FUN "HOW TO TRAIN YOUR DRAGON 3: THE HIDDEN WORLD"
Saturday, September 21, 10:30 a.m. Sharon Lawson Rm.
This animated hit is rated PG and is open to everyone. Our “SENSORY Movie Fun” approach welcomes little ones (and bigger ones!) with sensory and attention issues, providing moderate lighting and a low-stress environment, plus LEGOs and crafts for busy hands. All kids and families are invited!

LEARNING AND LOVING BOOKS WITH MR. GARY
Tuesdays, September 10 and 17, 5 p.m. Children's Library
School-age children are invited to explore books and the lessons they have for us with educator and youth leader Gary Southers. Especially for grades K-5.

SENSORY STORY TIME
Tuesday, September 24, 6 p.m. Children’s Library
An interactive story time with stories, songs, movement and activities designed to increase early literacy skills. Open to children of all abilities, but especially designed for kids with special needs between the developmental ages of 3-5.

SASS: SKILLZ
September 24, 7 - 8:30 p.m. Sharon Lawson Rm.
Test your skills, improve your thinking, and meet new people!

TEEN GAMING WITH SPECIAL EVENT: MARIO KART 8 DELUXE
Saturday, August 17, 2 p.m. Sharon Lawson Library
Join artist-instructor Amanda Wasinger for a weekly creative adventure. Kids ages 5-12 are invited to have fun learning new skills, creating treasures to take home. Materials are provided.

STEAMKIDS FOR GRADES K-5
Fridays in September, 4 - 5 p.m. Children’s Library
Every week brings a different adventure.
5 - September 6: Keep Blount Beautiful LEGOS IN THE LIBRARY FOR GRADES K-5
4 - 5 p.m. Children’s Library
We have the LEGOs, you bring the imagination!

TEEN GAMING: SUPER SMASH BROS. ULTIMATE TOURNAMENT IV
Saturday, August 10, 1 - 4 p.m. Sharon Lawson Rm.
To get on the bracket, sign up starts August 3 at the Children’s Desk (or email ckriese@blounttn.org). We’ll still have our usual slate of Wii and tablet games for non-tournament play. Bring your own game, controllers, etc.

YA CAFE & LASER TAB
Saturday, September 14, 1 p.m. Sharon Lawson Library
Join artist-instructor Amanda Wasinger for a weekly creative adventure. Kids ages 5-12 are invited to have fun learning new skills, creating treasures to take home. Materials are provided.

BANNED BOOKS WEEK: HARRY POTTER LIFE-SIZE CUDE GAME
Saturday, Sept. 28, 1 - 4:30 p.m. Sharon Lawson Library
Celebrate your freedoms with a beloved and often-often challenged book series! Search the library for clues to a magical mystery, for the game of “Clue,” the whole building is the board. Meet Harry Potter characters and do themed crafts!