

# BARTLESVILLE BOOKMARK



July-August 2017



## Summer Reading Program We Are Not Done Yet!

The Library now has meeting rooms available for individuals and businesses. Book your next event here!

Call 918-338-4187 for more information.

The Summer Reading Program is going full-force with over 750 children and teens registered and some exciting and fun events! We held our kick-off party at On The Rock, handed out free Kiddie Park tickets, hosted a children's architectural design workshop, featured our City departments by holding a "Touch the Truck" event in the Community Center parking lot, and welcomed Science Museum Oklahoma presenters for two programs. Leonardo's Rockin' & Reading show was great, as was Family Movie Night at the park. Magician Kevin Wade will be here for a show on **Monday, July 17<sup>th</sup> at 2:00.** You can see photos from these events on the library's Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/bvillelibrary/>.

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**BUT WE'RE NOT DONE YET!!!** Big things are happening in July, just for teens (middle school age and up.) Maria Gus will be presenting a two-session Improv Class on July 5<sup>th</sup> AND 7<sup>th</sup> at 2:00, Joseph Evans of Ambler Architects will hold another architecture workshop for this age group on July 14<sup>th</sup> at 2:00, and our local Robotics team will host a workshop on July 25<sup>th</sup> at 2:00.

Also just for teens, ESCAPE ROOM AT THE LIBRARY on Saturday, July 22! Facilitated by "Your Escape" of Bartlesville, we will have a series of hour-long sessions in which two teams race to assemble a DNA strain for a super-vaccination or cure for a disease. Participants will need to pre-register for this "Race for the Cure" event and choose a time slot through the "Booking Calendar" link on the website of "Your Escape" at <http://www.yourescape.net/>.

Finally, on July 28<sup>th</sup> from 6:30 – 8:30pm, our Grand Finale Reward Party will be held at the Frontier Pool. This is for participants of all ages who read every week during the Summer Reading Program. There, the Grand Prize drawing will be done for a family pass to one of the following Broadway in Bartlesville performances: Elf the Musical, Cinderella, or Gobsnacked!

"My colleague, Jan Cravens, and I have loved hearing about all the wonderful books being read this summer," says Laura Pryce, Youth Services Librarian. "The kids check in with us each week and get a small prize for reading something, then their names are entered into weekly drawings for free books, pool passes, and movie passes. Our winners so far have been Josie Turner, Rylan Vandiver, Jack Morris, Yadihra Ojeda, Reese Johnson, and Morgan King!" The special events are open to everyone whether or not they are signed up for the Summer Reading Program. However, it's not too late to sign up and get prizes for reading each week! Call 918-338-4170 for information.



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Youth Services

# Autosomal and Mitochondrial and Y Chromosomes, Oh MY!

Do you have DNA results and wonder what to do with them—or wonder whether it is worth the expense to take the DNA tests and if so which one? A program at the Bartlesville Public Library may provide some answers.

On **Thursday, July 27** the Local and Family History Department with local author and DNA expert, Barbara J. Shoff, will offer a class on choosing a DNA test and how to use information discovered from DNA testing in genealogy research. Two sessions will be available, the first one from **2:30 to 4:30 pm** and the second **6:00 to 8:00 pm**.

After years of struggling to make connections and figure out what her DNA results meant and how best she could use them, Shoff writes, “I discovered people don’t have to fully understand the science of DNA to find family. A simple, basic understanding...of how to use the tools, and a few words and terms of the language of DNA and genealogy is all one needs.” Among the sources that Shoff uses are Gedmatch, WikiTree, Rootsweb WorldConnect, Ancestry, Genealogy Gophers and blogs. Even starting her own blog she’s named “The Blundering Genealogist.”



The tests will not be purchased through the library, but rather through one of the companies that provide the tests and readings. The three main companies being Family Tree Finder, 23andMe and AncestryDNA. After the tests are purchased, they send out simple swab tests for the inside of one’s mouth or a tube to collect saliva. The tests range in price from \$100 to over \$300, though they do run sales once in

a while, usually around holidays.

An ever-growing number of people are becoming interested in charting their family trees and DNA. Exploring and understanding one’s DNA has quickly become an important part of genealogy research. After all, DNA can help you discover where you came from, where your relatives lived, and why your eyes are the color they are.

The class is free and open to the public. Registration is not required. For more information, contact the Local and Family History Department at 918-338-4167.

Submitted By: Kim Inman,  
Local & Family History

## Check Out Our New Video Game Collection

The Library now lend video games!!! We have games for PS4, Xbox One, Xbox 360, and Wii U consoles. Currently, the Library has 22-24 games per console type, with plans to add more very soon. This new collection is located in the teen area. Patrons may borrow up to 3 games at a time. Games can be checked out for 2 weeks with the option to renew if no one else has a hold on the game. Fines are \$.25 cents per item per day.

Some of the games now available are: Minecraft Story Mode, Runbow, Zelda, Nascar 14, Injustice 2, Lego City Undercover, Halo Wars 2 plus many, many more. More games will be added during the next budget year.

Plans are also underway to add an adult video game collection. This collection should be available for checkout within the next few months. If you have suggestions for games to purchase, please let us know.



XBOX 360



Submitted by:  
Roger Elmore, Reference &  
Elsie Green, Technical Services

# EVENTS

Mark your Calendar

- July 5, 2:00 PM **Improv Class, Part 1** presented by Maria Gus. For Teens Only.
- July 7, 2:00 PM **Improv Class, Part 2.** For Teens Only.  
July 10, 6:00 PM Computer Class, **Introduction to Email.** Class is free. Call 918-338-4169 to register.
- July 11, 7:00 PM Johnstone Irregulars Book Club will discuss the book, **Off The Grid** by C.J. Box
- July 12, 5:30 PM **Refit Class**  
July 14, 2:00 PM **Architecture/Design Workshop** presented by Joseph Evans of Ambler Architects. For Teens Only.
- July 17, 2:00 PM **Magician Kevin Wade** will astound and amaze the Audience. For Kids Only.
- July 17, 2:00 PM **Overdrive Class**-Learn how to download ebooks from the Library using Overdrive.
- July 19, 5:30 PM **Refit Class**  
July 20, 2:00 PM Gentle Reads Book Club will discuss the book, **A Man Called Ove** by Fredric Backman.
- July 22, 10:00 AM  
To 4:00 PM **Escape Room At The Library!** Designed and Facilitated by staff from "Your Escape."  
For Teens Only
- July 25, 2:00 PM **Robotics Workshop** featuring Team 2165, Tri County Tech's robotics team. For Teens Only.
- July 26, 5:30 PM **Refit Class**  
July 27, 2:30 PM & **DNA and Genealogy Workshop**-Learn more about your DNA.  
6:00 PM  
July 28, 6:30 PM Summer Reading Program (SRP) Finale-**Pool Party** at Frontier Pool. For All SRP Participants.
- August 1, 7:00 PM Johnstone Irregulars discuss the book, **Summer Before the War** by Helen Simonson.
- August 14, 6:00 PM Computer Class-**Online Job Resources.**  
Call 918-338-4169 to register.
- August 17, 2:00 PM Gentle Reads Book Club will discuss the book, **Behind the Beautiful Forever** by Katherine Boo.

## Preschool Storytime

**WEDNESDAYS & THURSDAYS**

**10:00 AM**  
Babies-2 years old  
**11:00 AM**  
3-6 years old

**Thursdays Only**  
**1:00 PM** All Ages

## Literacy Classes

**MONDAYS**

Citizenship Class  
10:00 AM-11:30AM

Spanish Conversation Class  
5:30 PM—6:30 PM

**TUESDAY**

ESL Conversation Class  
6:00 PM—7:30 PM  
(Class held at Casa Hispania)

**WEDNESDAY**

Citizenship Class  
6:00 PM—7:30 PM

**THURSDAY**

ESL Conversation Class  
10:00 AM—11:30 AM

All classes are held at the Library unless otherwise noted. For additional information call the Literacy Office at 918-338-4179.

**HAPPY 4TH OF JULY!**

The Library  
will be closed  
**JULY 4TH**

**LIBRARY QUOTE TO REMEMBER.....**

*"I must say I find television very educational. The minute somebody turns it on, I go to the library and read a good book."*

Groucho Marx



Bartlesville Public Library

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# Literacy Services

At Bartlesville Public Library Literacy Services, we offer adult literacy services to the Washington County community. Our services include free one-on-one tutoring for adult learners and has started to include children who are struggling with their school work if tutors are available. Additionally, we offer Citizenship classes, English as a Second Language classes as well as a Spanish class.

The need for literacy programs is huge. According to UNICEF, "Nearly 1 billion people will exit the 21st century unable to read a book or sign their names and two thirds of them will be women." Many of the United States difficulties are directly related to illiteracy. Here are just a few statistics:

- Literacy is learned. Illiteracy is passed along by parents who cannot read or write.
- One child in four grow up not knowing how to read.
- 43% of adults at the lowest level of literacy live in poverty
- Three out of four food stamp recipients perform in the lowest two literacy levels.
- 90% of welfare recipients are high school dropouts.
- 15% of the United States population has specific reading disorders.
- 15% of U.S. students are dyslexic.
- 46% of American adults cannot understand the labels on their pharmaceutical prescriptions.
- 50% of U.S. adults are unable to read an eighth-grade level book.
- Statistically two thirds of students who cannot read proficiently by the end of fourth grade will end up in jail or on welfare.
- Students who don't read proficiently by the third grade are four times likelier to drop out of school.
- Nearly 85% of the juveniles who face trial in the juvenile court system are functionally illiterate, proving that there is a close relationship between illiteracy and crime.
- More than 60% of all inmates are functionally illiterate.

There is a solution to illiteracy! Help others who are in need of literacy skills...Become a tutor! We are always looking for tutors who are willing to help the citizens of our county reach their literacy goals. We focus on adult learners meeting their personal reading and writing goals, such as completing a job application, reading to their children or grandchildren, learning to use email, writing checks and paying bills, or obtaining a driver's license, learning to speak English and Spanish and becoming a United States citizen. Our tutors can help children learn to read on level or to understand their grade level in math. Volunteer literacy tutors and adult learner pairs meet regularly at the library, which provide spaces conducive to learning, as well as computers and literacy materials. Volunteer literacy tutors are matched with adult learners or the children for personalized tutoring sessions at BPLLs Library. Adult literacy tutors must be 18 years of age or older, have an interest in building a learning relationship with another adult, or child, be able to meet once or twice per week for one- to two-hour tutoring sessions, and be willing to make a six-month commitment to the program.

If you are interested, please call us at 918-338-4179.

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