



**BLOUNT COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY**

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**October 2015 Events at the Blount County Public Library**

MARYVILLE, TN (September 25, 2015) With the official arrival of autumn, you can participate in many events and services offered at the library, frequently in partnership with other organizations or individuals, offers many events and services:

- Pumpkin decorating contest.
- Banned Books Week activities.
- Free Legal Advice Clinic.
- Tenants' Rights & Obligations (presentation in Spanish!).
- Medicare Changes.
- Business Ownership & Management.
- Teen Chess, Gaming, LEGO Club.
- Register for Teen LEGO Robotics Mindstorm Classes.
- Children's STEM events and activities.
- Register for Children's LEGO Robotics WeDo Classes.

At your local library, there's always a lot going on and a lot of activities in which to participate. Be sure that you take advantage of the programs and services that your tax dollars have already paid for!

**MUSIC:**

- **Monday, November 2, 7 p.m., “Dulcimer Concert” at the library by the Maryville Area Dulcimer Club!** The concert will be in the reading rotunda end of the main gallery of the library.

**EVENTS:**      **Phone (865) 982-0981 or 273-1436**

- **Sunday through Saturday, September 27 through October 3, “Banned Books Week” coordinated by Jennifer Spirko.** Celebrating the freedom to read, Banned Books Week highlights the value of free and open access to information. While books have been and will continue to be banned, the majority of books remain available, thanks to efforts of librarians, teachers, students and community members who speak out for freedom of access. Throughout the week, there will be displays and interactivities with a concluding “Read Out” event on Saturday. **Displays:** A display of media showcasing banned books and films and some of the reasons behind the censorship will be in the main gallery area between the

Circulation Desks. An interactive display, “Find the Banned Book” will be near the Reading Rotunda. In addition, there will be “Surprise” displays throughout the library (e.g., Reference area, Young Adult sitting area) of a “body outline” – a Banned Book Murder Scene (fictitious). **Interactivities:** A trivia board; Voting in the Bookmark Café focusing on censorship issues and on specific banned books; related questions on the Café whiteboard. **Event:** “Read Out” on Saturday, October 3, at 11 a.m.

- **Saturday, October 3, 11 a.m., “Banned Books Week ‘Read Out’.”** As the concluding event recognizing Banned Books Week, local community leaders, teachers and library staff will read selections from frequently-banned books (e.g., “To Kill a Mockingbird,” “The Bluest Eye,” “The Chocolate War,” etc.). The event will also feature Americana music by Bill Cabage, of Pistol Creek Catch of the Day, as part of a celebration of American freedoms and will be held in the Reading Rotunda end of the Main Gallery.
- **El lunes, 5 de octubre a las 7 p.m., “Ley del Propietario e Inquilino en Tennessee: Derechos y Obligaciones (¡en Español!).”** Este programa es para el público de habla hispana y se presentará en español solamente, por Mercedes Strollo y Christina Magrans, abogada de Legal de East Tennessee. Conozca sus derechos y responsabilidades relacionadas con el proceso de un desalojo, reparaciones de viviendas, depósitos de seguro y el proceso Tribunal. Habrá tiempo para preguntas durante el programa que se llevará a cabo en la Sala A de Dorothy Herron.
- **Monday, October 5, 7 p.m., “Landlord and Tenants Law in Tennessee: Rights and Responsibilities and Legal Advice (in Spanish Only!).”** This program is for a Spanish-speaking audience and will be presented in Spanish only, by Mercedes Strollo and by Christina Magrans, attorney for Legal Aid of East Tennessee. Learn your rights and responsibilities related to the eviction process, building repairs, security deposits and detainer court. There will be time for questions during the program which will be held in the Dorothy Herron Room A.
- **Thursday, Friday and Saturday, Oct. 15, 16 & 17, “Used Book Sale,”** fundraiser for the library where more than 50,000 books are available—\$1 for soft cover and \$2.50 for hard cover, plus specially priced rare books, collectibles and others--by the Friends of the Blount County Public Library (FOL):
  - **Thursday, Oct. 15, 12:00 noon until 6:00 p.m. “Members Only Sale,”** an opportunity for FOL members to purchase books before other members of the public are admitted to the sale. FOL memberships are available at the elevator doors, before accessing the Library lower level.
  - **Friday & Saturday, Oct. 16 & 17, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., “Used Book Sale – Open to the Public,”** in the Library lower level.
- **Friday, October 16, 7:30-10 a.m., “It’s Your Career: Work & Life Balance for Business and Personal Success”** will be a part of an ongoing series of soft skill workshops designed to take your career to the next level. Soft skills are strengthened and developed over time and are necessary if you desire to climb the career ladder. The classes are a collaboration of Blount Partnership, Adult Education Foundation of Blount County and the Blount County Public Library. For class synopsis and registration information, go to [www.blountchamber.com/community/soft-skills](http://www.blountchamber.com/community/soft-skills) or call Amy Lawson at 865-983-2241.
- **Monday, October 19, 7 p.m., “Food Allergies: Management Tips and Tools”** will be presented by **Amanda Painter**, Board President and Director of Education and Development for the Food Allergy Community of East Tennessee (FACET). Painter will discuss food safety at school, dining out, holiday safety and grocery shopping. She will describe food allergy basics, allergy reaction symptoms, anaphylaxis, diagnosis and testing. This program

is appropriate for anyone who experiences food allergies or who knows someone with food allergies. The presentation will be in the Sharon Lawson Room.

- **Tuesday, October 20, 5:30 p.m., “Blount County Public Library Board of Trustees Meeting,”** in the Board Room of the library.
- **Thursday, October 22, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., “Library Exhibit at Disability Fair at Tennessee Vocational Rehabilitation Center.”** Featuring services and equipment available for folks with disabilities, the Blount County Public Library staff will participate with other service organizations in this annual Fair at the Vocational Rehab Building at 1749 Triangle Park Drive, Maryville, TN 37801. For further questions or to participate, contact Deborah Quillen, Executive Director, at (865) 981-2382.
- **Thursday, October 22, 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., “GrowthWheel: Ownership and Management.”** This is a workshop specifically designed to assist business owners with increasing effectiveness and management skills. Bring your lunch or pick up lunch at the library’s Bookmark Café. Eat, Meet and Greet from 11:30 to noon. The workshop begins at noon. There is no fee for this class. [Register for this event online](#) For more information, call (865) 246-2663 or email [bhayes@tsbdc.org](mailto:bhayes@tsbdc.org)
- **Monday, October 26, 4-7 p.m., “Pumpkin Decorating Contest: Entries Due at Blount County Public Library.”** Use your creativity and win a cash prize by decorating a pumpkin: painting, drawing, pinning or gluing. (No cutting, carving or hollowing out permitted.) The public (you!) will vote on entries. Prizes will be awarded in the amounts of \$50, \$25 and \$10 for each of the three age groups—10 years and under, 11 to 16 years, and 17 years and older. Winners will be announced Saturday, October 31 at 11 a.m. Contestants need not be present to win. The contest prizes are offered by the Blount County Friends of the Library. Get Entry Forms and guidelines at the Blount County Public Library Reference Desk. Pumpkins will be exhibited in the Main Gallery of the library from October 26 through November 1.
- **Wednesday, October 28, 11 a.m., “Medicare Plans and Changes for 2015.” Joani Shaver, Blount County Office on Aging Director,** will discuss the following information about Medicare and the changes for 2015: Medicare: What’s new this year, What Medicare Parts A and B cover, Medicare costs, Health and prescription drug plans and Fraud prevention. Shaver will discuss Medicare and Medicaid (TennCare), Medigap, enrollment in Medicare prescription drug plans (Part D), and the accompanying Low Income Subsidy, finding help with the cost of prescription drugs during coverage gaps and access to drugs not covered under Part D, Medicare Advantage options, claims and billing problem resolution, information and referral on public benefit programs, employer and retiree health insurance options for those with Medicare, and VA benefits and other military health insurance for those with Medicare. Shaver will remain after the presentation to answer individual questions. Participants are encouraged to visit [www.medicare.gov](http://www.medicare.gov) prior to the presentation to review the latest information on Medicare and come to the presentation with their questions. The program’s goal is solely to help consumers make informed decisions. The presentation, co-sponsored by the Blount County Public Library and the Office on Aging, will be in the Sharon Lawson Meeting Rooms of the library.
- **Saturday, October 31, 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., “Wear a Costume & Get Treats at Library Departments.”** During library hours on October 31, you’re invited to wear a Halloween costume and receive treats at the various departments in the library.
- **Saturday, October 31, 9 a.m. until 12 noon. “Free Legal Advice Clinic.”** Anyone can receive legal advice from lawyers free of charge regardless of socio-economic status at the Free Legal Advice Clinic. The scope of the program is limited. The Free Legal Clinic will not create an attorney-client relationship unless separately memorialized by agreement of the

potential attorney and client after the Free Legal Clinic's conclusion. Therefore, participants should not expect that counsel would otherwise continue beyond the Clinic itself. The program's coordinator is Kristine Schmidt, attorney with Legal Aid of East Tennessee. For more information regarding this program, please contact Legal Aid of East Tennessee at 307 Ellis Avenue, Maryville, Tennessee 37801, (865) 981-1818, or the Blount County Public Library at (865) 982-0981. The clinic will be in the Sharon Lawson Room of the library.

- **Monday, November 2, 7 p.m., “*Dulcimer Concert*” at the library by the Maryville Area Dulcimer Club!** The concert will be in the reading rotunda end of the main gallery of the library.
- **Sunday, November 8, 11 a.m. until 8 p.m., “*Mini Maker Faire at Barnes & Noble Knoxville.*”** Blount County Public Library will be participating in Barnes and Nobles’ Mini Maker Faire for families and sharing some of the awesome making we do with LEGO Robotics, Makey Makey, art, science and more! Library staff will also be sharing plans for the library’s new makerspace, the Learning Lab. While at the Maker Faire, if you mention Blount County Public Library Book Fair or present a Book Fair voucher, a portion of your purchase proceeds will go toward the children’s summer reading program at the library. This event will be at Barnes & Noble Knoxville, 8029 Kingston Pike.
- **Wednesday, November 11, “*Library Closed in Honor of Veterans’ Day.*”**
- **Saturday, November 14, 11 a.m., “*Affordable Care Act Insurance Plans and Choices.*”** If you’re confused about whether or not you qualify for health care coverage under the guidelines of the Affordable Care Act, this presentation by **Laura Sell**, volunteer coordinator for the Tennessee Health Care Campaign, will help you know where to begin. Following her presentation, advisors will be available at the library to assist with one-on-one health plan enrollment registration in the library’s computer lab. The presentation will be in the library’s Dorothy Herron Room A.
- **Saturday, November 14, 12 to 5 p.m., “*Affordable Care Act Healthcare Insurance Enrollment (one-on-one assistance).*”** Qualified advisors will be available at the library to assist with one-on-one health plan enrollment registration in the library’s computer lab.
- **Wednesday, November 18, 11 a.m., “*Medicare Plan Choices.*”** Confused whether to select an Advantage plan or stay with original Medicare with a supplemental (Medi-gap) policy? Can’t decide which Part D plan is the best for you? **Jeremy Long, D.Ph., at City Drug Store and Joani Shaver, Director, Blount County Office on Aging**, will present information to help make decisions that are appropriate for you. Shaver will discuss the differences between original Medicare, supplemental plans and Advantage plans as well as how to determine which are best for you. Long will talk about the prescription (Part D) plans and selecting one appropriate for your needs. Both Shaver and Long will remain after the presentation to answer individual questions. Participants are encouraged to visit [www.medicare.gov](http://www.medicare.gov) prior to the presentation to review the latest information on Medicare and come to the presentation with their questions. The presentation will be in the Sharon Lawson Meeting Room of the library.
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**E-READER HELP!**

If you have an e-reader, tablet or other device, you may check out a vast array of e-books, audio books and streaming movies from the library website. You can seek individual help by calling the Reference Desk at 273-1428 or 982-0981, ext. 4, to set a time for an appointment. That way you can be assured of personalized assistance.

During the help session, you will download a book to your e-reader device, so to access/download e-books and materials from the library, **bring these items:**

- **library card in your name and in good standing,**
- **your e-reader device (fully charged).**
- **email account user name and password, and**
- **Amazon account, email and password.**

You are ready to enjoy your Tennessee R.E.A.D.S. experience!

**COMPUTER COURSES – Registration Required:**

**For more information, go to the Blount County Public Library Reference Desk or call (865) 273-1436 or 982-0981, ext. 4.**

**Basic Introductory Computer Classes:**

Basic computer classes are offered, **free**, at the library: Introduction to the Computer--Meet the Mouse, Internet Searching, Email, Facebook and monthly Special Topics. **Registration is required for all classes by visiting the library's Reference Desk or calling the library at 273-1436 or 982-0981, ext. 4. Sign up no earlier than one month prior to a class.** Each of these one-time classes lasts approximately **one hour** and is limited to an enrollment of 14 people, but students may take the classes more than once.

**NEW!:** **"Rookies" classes on Wednesdays** are designed for computer users with little or no experience and will focus on very basic skills and techniques. **"Beyond the Basics" classes on Thursdays** are for computer users who are more comfortable with basic operations. As an example, a Rookie "Intro to Email" class will discuss how to set up an account, choose a password, send email and reply, etc. A "Beyond the Basics: Email" class, on the other hand, will assume that students have those basic skills already. It will instead focus on such function as attaching files (pictures, documents, etc.), folders and file management within email, signatures, vacation replies, etc.

**If a person desires to enroll in the Microsoft courses but has had no computer experience, the one-session, two-hour class of Meet the Mouse is a pre-requisite.**

**The basic computer class schedule is:**

**Rookies Classes:**

- **Wednesday, Sept. 30, 2-3:30 p.m., "Meet the Mouse"** (Rookies class) in the Computer Lab.
- **Wednesday, Oct. 7, 2-3:30 p.m., "Intro to Internet Searching"** (Rookies class) in the Computer Lab
- **Wednesday, Oct. 14, 2-3:30 p.m., "Intro to Email"** (Rookies class) in the Computer Lab
- **Wednesday, Oct. 21, 2-3:30 p.m., "Intro to Facebook"** (Rookies class) in the Computer Lab.
- **Wednesday, Oct. 28, 2-3:30 p.m., "Meet the Mouse"** (Rookies class) in the Computer Lab.
- **Wednesday, Nov. 4, 2-3:30 p.m., "Intro to Internet Searching"** (Rookies class) in the Computer Lab.



- **Wednesday, Nov. 18, 2-3:30 p.m., “Intro to Facebook”** (Rookies class) in the Computer Lab.
- **Wednesday, Dec. 2, 2-3:30 p.m., “Meet the Mouse”** (Rookies class) in the Computer Lab.
- **Wednesday, Dec. 9, 2-3:30 p.m., “Intro to Internet Searching”** (Rookies class) in the Computer Lab.

#### **Beyond the Basics Classes:**

- **Thursday, Oct. 1, 2-3:30 p.m., “Special Topic: eBay Basics”** in the Computer Lab
- **Thursday, Oct. 8, 2-3:30 p.m., “Search Better: Google Beyond the Basics”** in the Computer Lab
- **Thursday, Oct. 15, 2-3:30 p.m., “Email: Beyond the Basics”** in the Computer Lab
- **Thursday, Oct. 22, 2-3:30 p.m., “Facebook: Beyond the Basics”** in the Computer Lab.
- **Thursday, Oct. 29, 2-3:30 p.m., “Special Topic: Pinterest”** in the Computer Lab
- **Thursday, Nov. 5, 2-3:30 p.m., “Search Better: Google Beyond the Basics”** in the Computer Lab
- **Thursday, Nov. 12, 2-3:30 p.m., “Email: Beyond the Basics”** in the Computer Lab
- **Thursday, Nov. 19, 2-3:30 p.m., “Facebook: Beyond the Basics”** in the Computer Lab
- **Thursday, Dec. 3 2-3:30 p.m., “Special Topic: Shop Safe”** in the Computer Lab
- **Thursday, Dec. 10, 2-3:30 p.m., “Search Better: Google Beyond the Basics”** in the Computer Lab

#### **Microsoft Computer Courses:**



Free computer classes are offered in Microsoft Word, Excel, and PowerPoint (2010). Course descriptions and schedules are listed below. The free classes meet in the Blount County Public Library computer lab. Spaces are limited and registration is required. **To register, please visit the library’s Reference Desk or call 865-982-0981, ext. 4, or 865-273-1436. Sign up no earlier than one month prior to a class.** (If a person desires to enroll in the Microsoft courses but has had no computer experience, the single session, one-hour class of Meet the Mouse is a pre-requisite; check above in Basic Introductory Classes.)

*The free computer classes are offered through a partnership between the Blount County Public Library and the Adult Education Foundation of Blount County and made possible by generous funding from the ALCOA Foundation.*

**Microsoft Word 2010 Essentials** – This free class offers a general orientation to Word 2010, including topics such as toolbars/ribbons, shortcuts, save/save as, files/folders, selecting text, moving text, drag and drop, editing, formatting, spell check/thesaurus, page setup, line spacing, the ruler, navigating, changing margins, changing case, word count, bullets/numbering and attachments.

*This is a 2-session class, so plan to attend both sessions. Please bring a flash drive.*

**Time:** 9 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

**Dates:** Wednesdays, October 21 **and** 28, 2015.

**Microsoft Excel 2010 Essentials** – This free class is an introduction to Excel 2010. Topics include toolbars/ribbons; navigation; entering text and formulas; editing and viewing worksheets; introduction to formulas and functions; formatting the contents of cells; changing the appearance of worksheets; changing column width and row height; auto complete; fill series; selecting cell ranges; move and copy shortcuts; inserting/deleting columns and rows; inserting/deleting worksheets; renaming worksheets; and moving worksheets.

*This is a 2-session class, so plan to attend both sessions. Please bring a flash drive.*

**Time:** 9 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

**Dates:** Wednesday, November 4 and Tuesday, November 10, 2015. (Note that the second class is on a Tuesday because the library is closed on Wednesday, November 11, Veterans' Day.)

**Microsoft PowerPoint 2010 Essentials** – This free class will provide students with the skills needed to produce a professional-looking presentation. Topics include editing, outlining, drawing, graphing, images, and presentation management functions.

*Please bring a flash drive.*

**Time:** 9 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

**Date:** Wednesday, November 18, 2015 (a single class session).

**Résumé Help Sessions** – Résumé help sessions are designed to give one-on-one help to job seekers in need of a new or improved résumé. Instructors will be available to help individuals design or update a résumé using current formatting trends. A flash drive with various résumé templates will be provided to participants. Participants should bring job history, including employment addresses, phone numbers, dates of employment, list of responsibilities, and salary going back ten years. A reference list can also be completed during a session; please bring reference names and contact information, including address, phone number, and email address.

Sessions run from 9 a.m. to noon on Monday through Thursday of the designated week. More than one session may be needed to complete a resume and reference list. Registration is helpful but drop-ins are allowed. Please register at the reference desk. For more information on the program, please call Margaret Muller at Blount County Adult Education (982-8998).

*Please bring a flash drive.*

**Time:** 9 a.m. – 12 noon.

**Dates:** Monday, November 30, 2015 (a single one-on-one session)

Tuesday, December 1, 2015 (a single one-on-one session)

Wednesday, December 2, 2015 (a single one-on-one session)

Thursday, December 3, 2015 (a single one-on-one session)

**TEEN PROGRAMS – Phone (865) 273-1414:**

- **Saturdays, 10 a.m. until 3 p.m., “Play Chess at the Library: Every Saturday.”** Middle and high school students (or any age) are invited to play chess. **Tom Jobe** coaches most Saturdays in the Teen Central area of the library. On one Saturday of every month, there will be a rated tournament at the Blount County Public Library.
- **Thursdays, 1 p.m. until 4 p.m., “Play Chess at the Library: Every Thursday.”** Middle and high school students (or any age) are invited to play chess. **Tom Jobe** coaches most Thursdays in the Teen Central area of the library.
- **Once per month: “Sanctioned Chess Tournament,”** coordinated by **Tom Jobe**, is held at the library in the Teen Central area.
- **Tuesdays, 4 p.m. until 5 p.m., “Teen LEGO Club.”** During Teen LEGO Club, every Tuesday, teens will complete different themed Lego Challenges while working together or independently. The library will provide the Legos, so all you have to bring is your imagination! This event will be in Dorothy Herron A.
- **Saturday, October 10, 2 p.m. until 4 p.m., “Gaming @ Your Library.”** Games of all kind! Board games, MarioKart, Super Smash Bros., Yu-Gi-Oh!, or bring your own game to share! Snacks will be provided. Bring friends! Gaming will be in the Sharon Lawson Room.
- **LEGO Robotics:**  
Youth Services is excited to offer LEGO Robotics classes for teens starting in November. If your kid loves LEGOS, they will love learning new STEM skills while exploring the world of LEGO robotics. **Spaces are limited**, so please **call to register your child at (865)982-0981 ext. 114**. These classes are sponsored by the Blount County Friends of the Library. Classes will gather in the Children’s Library before moving to a different space.
  - **LEGO Mindstorm for Teens (ages 12+)**  
2-4 p.m., Saturday, November 7  
6:30-8 p.m., Thursday, November 12  
2-4 p.m., Saturday, November 21  
6:30-8 p.m., Thursday, December 10

**CHILDREN’S PROGRAMS: Phone: 273-1414****Elementary Age Activities:**

- **Lunchbox for Kids Nutrition Activities.** Participate in fun activities to learn about what foods contribute to making healthy, strong kids. For grades K-5, this activity will be presented by pharmacy students from the UTK School of Pharmacy. The activity tables will be in the main gallery of the library, outside the Children’s Library in Main Gallery.
  - **Friday, October 2, 3-5 p.m.**
  - **Tuesday, October 13, 4:30-6:30 p.m.**
- **Fridays, 4 until 5 p.m., S.T.E.A.M. Kids, for Grades K-5,** in the Children’s Library. Every week will be a different adventure, from science experiments to art projects and everything in between. Materials will be limited and available on a first-come, first-served basis.  
**October’s Theme**
  - *Geology!*



- **Tuesdays, 4 p.m. until 5 p.m., “LEGO Club.”** LEGO Club will take place in the children’s library. Kids will complete different themed and timed LEGO Challenges, as well as have some time for free building. The library will provide the LEGOs, so all you have to bring is your imagination!

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- **LEGO WeDo (ages 7-11)**
  - 6:30-8 p.m., Thursday, November 5**
  - 6:30-8 p.m., Thursday, November 19**
  - 6:30-8 p.m., Thursday, December 3**
  - 6:30-8 p.m., Thursday, December 17**

### **“Growing Ready Readers”-- Early Literacy Programs:**

The Blount County Public Library is committed to growing ready readers and equipping caregivers with the tools they need to help their child be school-ready. Check the Blount County Public Library website ([www.blountlibrary.org](http://www.blountlibrary.org)) or stop by the Children’s Library for more information on monthly themes, supplemental literacy activities for caregivers and more information on early literacy programming for our youngest patrons.

- **Tuesdays and Thursdays, 10:30 a.m., *Little Learners*, recommended for ages 3-5.** Interactive sessions focus on language acquisition and pre-literacy skills incorporating stories, music, motion, play, crafts and more.
- **Wednesdays, 10:30 a.m., *Baby and Me*, recommended for ages 2 and under.** These lapsit sessions for baby and caregiver feature short stories, action rhymes, music and pre-literacy tips and tricks for caregivers. It is also a great time for caregivers and babies to socialize!

### **Library Tours and Outreach**

Please call the Children’s Library at 865-273-1414 or email [rbaker@blounttn.org](mailto:rbaker@blounttn.org) to schedule tours for your group, class or organization. Also if you would like a librarian to come to your class, community event, or parent night and share about awesome library resources and services for patrons ages 0-18, please call!

### **EXHIBITS & COLLECTIONS:**

#### **September 27 through October 3:**

- **“Banned Books Week” Exhibits by Jennifer Spirko** in the Main Gallery area between Circulation Desks, and other displays and interactive exhibits will be set up in other areas throughout the Main Gallery and Bookmark Café areas.

#### **October 18 through 24:**

- **“Friends of the Library Week” Exhibit by Jane Bennett** in the Main Gallery area between Circulation Desks.


#### **October 1-31:**

- ***“Maryville High School and Maryville Junior High School Student Art” Exhibit*** coordinated by **Dr. Jeanie Parker and Raquel Roy** on the Art Panels at the Reading Rotunda end of the Main Gallery of the library.
- ***“Blount County Arts and Crafts Guild Member Art” Exhibits*** coordinated by **Linda Waterhouse** on the Art Wall at the Bookmark Café and on two easels in the sitting area of the Main Gallery.
- ***“East Tennessee Wanderers” Exhibit*** by **David Bonewitz** in two mid-gallery display cases across from the Bookmark Café.
- ***“Wood Carvings by Jehu Blevins” Exhibit*** by **Jehu Blevins and Tommy Pritchard** in one the display case in the Temporary Books Shelving area of the library
- ***“National Breast Cancer Awareness Month” Exhibit*** by **Deanne Fields, Blount County Health Department** in one square pedestal case in the Entry Rotunda of the library.
- ***“Hispanic Resources in Blount County – Hispanic Heritage Month” Exhibit*** by **Blount County Public Library** in one square pedestal case in the Entry Rotunda of the library.
- ***“Madame Alexander Dolls” Exhibit*** by **Diane Williams** in one vertical display case in the Entry Rotunda of the library.
- ***“Sundress Academy for the Arts & Firefly Farms (SAFTA)” Exhibit*** by **Jennifer Spirko** in one vertical display case in the Entry Rotunda of the library.
- ***“Spooky Stories” Exhibit*** in the Main Gallery area between Circulation Desks.

#### **LIBRARY TOURS & COMMUNITY INFORMATION:**

- **Group Tours of the Main Library** and Reference Department may be scheduled by contacting Joan VanSickle Sloan at 865-273-1408 or Kathleen Christy at 865-273-1403 or 865-982-0981 ext. 4.
- **Group Tours of the Children’s Library** may be scheduled by contacting Becca Baker at the Children’s Check-out desk 865-273-1414.
- **Community Information about Nonprofit Services or Fine Arts Events (flyers and brochures)** is available for the public on the Community Information wall at the Reference area of the library. If interested in displaying materials, contact Joan VanSickle Sloan at 865-273-1408 or make an appointment to see her at the library.
- **Outreach programs** can be presented by the Library Director, Community Outreach Coordinator or Children’s Librarian for civic organizations, community events, school fairs and special events or parent organizations. Call 865-273-1408 (for adult presentations) or 865-273-1414 (for children’s programs).

Open to the public, this program is hosted by the Blount County Public Library, located at 508 N. Cusick Street, Maryville, where services are an example of your tax dollars at work for you.

For further information about library programs or services, call the library at 982-0981 or visit the Web site at [www.blountlibrary.org](http://www.blountlibrary.org) . To sign up to receive a monthly calendar by email, go to the library’s Home Page and type your email address in the box at the top right that says “Email for library news.” Also check out Facebook at “Blount County Public Library, Twitter at “Blount\_Library,” Tumblr and Pinterest. 

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*Blount County does not discriminate based on race, color or national origin in federal or state sponsored programs, pursuant to Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. 2000d).*

