The Carlisle Institute for Lifelong Learning at Bosler Memorial Library

The Carlisle Institute for Lifelong Learning at Bosler Memorial Library (CILL) provides programs and courses to engage adults in learning at any age and stage of life.

**Program Registration**
Scan the QR code next to each program that requires registration to go to the registration form. You can also go to www.boslerlibrary.org and visit our event calendar to register.

Call the Library at (717) 243-4642 for assistance in registering.

**Benefits of Lifelong Learning:** The concept of lifelong learning is about 85 years old and refers to any learning activities that continue throughout one's life (Clark, 2005). Often, this is the learning that continues beyond formal school education and beyond one’s job. Within a rapidly changing and fast-moving society, lifelong learning is particularly beneficial for the following reasons:

- Cognitive decline can be slowed down or even reversed by actively engaging in learning activities throughout one’s lifetime (Shaie, 2005).
- Learning begets more learning. Continued learning has various benefits for physical and mental health over the course of one's life. It is never too late to engage in learning experiences. Lifelong learning helps to maintain and promote brain health and cognitive function (Boulton-Lewis, 2010). As people continue to live longer, lifelong learning becomes even more important.
- Lifelong Learning sparks social engagement. People often connect with others because they want to learn from them and with them. Furthermore, people with strong social connections tend to be happier and live longer (Bouton-Lewis).
- Lifelong Learning gives us purpose; it gives us focus and a sense of fulfillment.


The Library will be closed September 2 and 11, October 23, November 28, and December 25. The Library closes at 5:00 pm on December 24 and 31.
Navigating Fake News
Presented by: Michael J. Schroeder
Tuesday, September 26 at 6:00 pm
Registration Required. [Register for Navigating Fake News]

Where can we find trustworthy news? What is credible on social media? How do I know whether this photo or that video is real? Michael Schroeder, Professor Emeritus of History at Lebanon Valley College, will offer guidance on how to acquire and practice information literacy, an essential skill for responsible citizens in today's dizzying media ecology.

Michael J. Schroeder is Professor Emeritus of History at Lebanon Valley College in Annville PA, where his teaching has focused on the Atlantic World since ca. 1500, especially Latin America and the United States since the Age of Revolution. A social, cultural, and political historian whose research focuses on twentieth-century Nicaragua, he is co-author of the widely used college textbook The Twentieth Century and Beyond (McGraw-Hill, 2007) and author of numerous scholarly articles and chapters in his area of expertise. He is also author and administrator of an expansive digital historical archive on Nicaraguan history during the period of U.S. military intervention in the 1920s and 1930s (at www.SandinoRebellion.com). A member of the Nicaraguan Academy of Geography and History (Academia de Geografía e Historia de Nicaragua), he is also intimately involved in community work in the Lebanon Valley relating to watershed issues, the anti-fracking movement, racial justice, and historic preservation.

In memory of former Assistant Director, Public and Information Services, Dennis M. Lavery, the Bosler Memorial Library presents the Lavery Speaker Series. Bosler thanks the Friends of Bosler Memorial Library for continuing to support our Lavery Speaker Series! Interested in contributing to the Lavery Speaker Series? Please contact Bosler's Development Officer, Molly Shane, CFRE. (717) 243-4642 x3222; or by email at mshane@cumberlandcountylibraries.org

Bosler Tabletop Game Day!

November 9, 2024
10 AM to 1:30 PM

Celebrate International Games Month at Bosler! Grab a game from our shelves or bring one of your own to share! All ages are welcome!

No registration required
Check out these adult programs all year round! No registration required to attend, just stop in!

**Tabletop Gaming**
Every Monday at 4:30 pm

**Upstairs Stitchers, downstairs**
Every Tuesday at 5:30 pm

**Grief Support Group**
Third Wednesdays at 6:00 pm

**Knitting Group**
Every Thursday at 12:00 pm
(Except 2nd Thursday)

**Mah Jongg Club***
Every Friday at 10:00 am

**Writer’s Workshop**
Second and Fourth Saturdays at 10:00 am

**Monday Book Group**
First Monday of the month at 6:00 pm

**Wicked Wednesday Book Group**
Second Wednesday of the month at 1:00 pm

**Just Mysteries Book Group**
Fourth Friday of the month at 1:00 pm

**Graphic Novel Discussion Group**
Fourth Monday of the month at 6:00 pm

**Epicurious Reads Book Group**
Last Tuesday of the month at 6:00 pm

* A complete list of selected titles for the book discussion groups can be found on Bosler’s website.

*Players wishing to learn Mah Jongg are encouraged to email Maryanne Turnbaugh, volunteer facilitator for the club, prior to their first visit. This ensures we have adequate preparation and materials for teaching.

maryanne.turnbaugh@yahoo.com

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**Trades and Technology Track**

Through this track, we will be offering programs on select trades, tips for homeowners, career guidance for those who might be looking for a career change, and much more! The Trades and Technology Track is sponsored in part by Tuckey and Turner Hydraulics.

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**Emergency Medical Technician (EMT)**
Tuesday, December 10 at 5:00 pm
No registration required
Learn all about a career as an EMT from professionals with Cumberland Goodwill EMS!

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**Music at Bosler**

All concerts begin at 7:00 pm
No Registration Required

**September 27**
Twangtown
Paramours
(Soulful Folk)

Sponsored by F&M Trust

**October 25**
Capital C
(Hip-Hop)

Sponsored by F&M Trust

**December 20**
Vintage Brass
(Holiday)

Sponsored by Mountz Jewelers.

**Note:** Due to a recent cancellation our November 15 performer is still being determined.
Horror as Literature
Thursday, October 24 at 5:00 pm
Registration Required. Register for Horror as Literature

Do you love things that go “bump” in the night? Do you crave a good scare or surprise when you crack open a new book? If so, come and learn how horror as literature is done! Join horror author Thomas Malafarina for an evening of shrieks and screams as he walks you through the process of writing horror. Thomas will be discussing what motivates him to write horror and his writing process.

Thomas Malafarina is primarily known as an author of horror fiction. He has published numerous horror novels and collections of horror short stories. He has also published a book of often-strange single panel cartoons.

A Tia Taylor Mystery - Dr. Shauntey James Author Talk
Wednesday, November 13 at 6:00 pm
Registration Required. Register for Dr. Shauntey James Talk

Get ready for a wild ride in the second installment of A Tia Taylor Mystery, crafted by the incomparable Dr. Shauntey James! Our favorite characters have hit the bright lights of Las Vegas to unravel yet another thrilling mystery at an event celebrating Dr. Raven Johnson's latest work.

Dr. Shauntey James has written nonfiction about female offenders in Current State of The Female Offender: Recommendations for Advancing the Future and crime fiction in Murder: Secrets Among Colleagues.

Guest of Adolf
Tuesday, November 19 at 6:00 pm
Registration Required. Register for Guest of Adolf

“I was a guest of Adolf!” This was how Ernest Focht responded when asked about his wartime experience. Ernest Virgil Focht was born and brought up in Tyrone, Pennsylvania. He was drafted into the Pennsylvania Army National Guard in April 1941 and assigned to the 105th Infantry Battalion (Anti-Tank), later designated the 805th Tank Destroyer Battalion. Ernie was captured in his first action in February 1943, remaining a prisoner of war until May 1945 when the Russian Army liberated his camp.

Michael H. Zang was born in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania in 1951. He received his education at Indiana University of Pennsylvania, The Pennsylvania State University, and the United States Army War College. In 1969, he met SSG Ernest V. Focht’s daughter, Karen, and they married in 1973. Over the course of the next 30 years, Michael eavesdropped as Ernie spoke to anyone who would listen to his experiences as a World War II Prisoner of War. These stories, in combination with his personal interest in military history, led to his desire to memorialize SSG Focht’s experiences.
Presented by Tim Eicholtz, Regional Vice President for Primerica Financial Services. Tim has over 10 years of experience in the financial industry, including expertise in financial security, debt reduction, and life insurance.

**9/2: Money Mastery: Unlocking Financial Freedom** - Could your finances use a refresher? Learn the strategies to take control of your finances in this workshop. Put your money to work for you, so you don't have to work as hard for it! Tim will be discussing "life insurance"—how it works and why it's important, "budgeting"—how to become debt free, and "will you be ready for retirement".

**10/9: Pathway to Prosperity: Strategic Investing Workshop** - Learn the basics of investing in this powerful workshop. Learn about the "3d's of investing", what is one of the most effective long term investment vehicles, and why now is a good time to invest, and much, much more.

**10/16: Financial Freedom in Retirement: Successful Investing** - Learn the 3 risk areas of investing, how much money will you need to retire, how to safeguard your assets, and create an income that's guaranteed for the rest of your life and much, much more.

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**PA Dutch Food Series**

**9/5: “The Dutch Among Us – Pennsylvania Dutch Recipes Today”** - This session will discuss the history and regional nature of Pennsylvania Dutch dishes that families serve today. They include hog maw, Buweschenkel, Apies cake, milk pie and fastnachts. This is not about “buggies and bonnets,” but the food history of the “Dutch” in Pennsylvania who never lived a plain lifestyle.

**9/12: “The Story of the 1881 Cumberland Valley Cook and General Recipe Book”** - This session will take the audience down a historical rabbit hole that begins in a Newville community cookbook that was reprinted in Kansas in 1881. It includes a cast of colorful local characters, a wave of Cumberland County residents immigrating to the West and the discovery of the oldest documented recipe for shoo fly pie. The presentation is based on Kelchner's most recent book.

Tom Kelchner is a retired journalist, technical writer and blogger who has lived in Carlisle for nearly 35 years. He has a passionate interest in the everyday cooking and baking of many ethnic traditions, especially those found in Pennsylvania. He blogs about the “food and drink of everyday life” at PaFoodLife.com and the companion Facebook group PaFoodLife. He and his wife, Linda, are descended from Pennsylvania Dutch families. His from northern Pennsylvania, and hers from the Lehigh Valley.

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**Multi-Session Courses**

**Financial Basics**

Wednesdays: 10/2, 10/9, 10/16
6:00 pm to 7:00 pm
Presented by: Tim Eicholtz
Registration Required. [Register for Financial Basics](#)

Presented by Tim Eicholtz, Regional Vice President for Primerica Financial Services. Tim has over 10 years of experience in the financial industry, including expertise in financial security, debt reduction, and life insurance.

**Get texts from the Library!**

To sign up, text “Signup” to 833-569-0507 and have your library card and PIN number ready.
Penn State Dickinson Law Professor Emeritus Bob Rains will give a series of informal talks on different aspects of the law. No prior legal knowledge is required. Bob will not answer any questions about individuals’ legal problems.

Session topics include:

**10/3: The U.S. Supreme Court**, with a look at how it operates, selected decisions from the 2023-2024 term, and a preview of the 2024-2025 term.

**10/10: Pennsylvania Family Law**, the basics: marriage, divorce, custody and support.

**10/17: Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) and Supplemental Security Income (SSI), standards and procedures.**

After he graduated Harvard Law School in 1974, Bob Rains served as a Deputy Attorney General in the Pennsylvania Department of Justice for five years, working primarily in the human services area. From 1979 to 1983, he was in private practice with his wife, Andrea Jacobsen. Bob joined the full-time faculty of the Dickinson Law School (now Penn State Dickinson Law) in 1983. In addition to teaching a full load of academic courses, he served as co-director of the law school’s Family Law Clinic for thirty years. He also founded the law school’s Disability Law Clinic in 1985 and served as its director until he retired from the law school in 2013. In both clinics, he supervised upper-level law students representing indigent clients in administrative proceedings and court. He has written and lectured widely on legal issues both in the United States and overseas.

If you are in the job search at the moment, this program with Career Development Advisor Jonathan Lopes is for you! Jonathan is a proud first-generation college graduate. With his diverse degrees and professional opportunities, Jonathan possesses a unique perspective on a student-centered experience and overall professional development. He serves within Career Development at Dickinson College, supporting various students and community members with short and long-term career coaching.

**10/8: Resumes 101** - Attend this session to learn why resumes are critical, and learn about the structure of a resume, common mistakes and how to sharpen the organization as well as content language. Participants are welcome to ask questions and/or bring a draft to edit during the program.

**10/15: LinkedIn 101** - Attend this session to learn what LinkedIn is, the importance of professional social media and how to maximize specific features within the free tool. Participants are welcome to ask questions and/or bring their laptop to edit during the program.

**10/22: Job Search Principles** - Attend this session to learn about job search strategies regarding how to explore, timeline to consider and elements to avoid during your process. Participants are welcome to ask questions and/or take notes.
Folk music in America is a rich tradition firmly rooted in song and music, but also the people who sang and performed those songs, which is why it is also referred to as “people’s music.” Join professor Doug Morris of West Chester University as he leads a two-part series on the history and people behind the folk music tradition.

Part 1 will cover the years from roughly 1840 to 1940, and will include: field songs, dance songs, freedom songs, railroad songs, protest songs, union songs (e.g., from Joe Hill, and the Industrial Workers of the World, Florence Reese, etc.), Dust Bowl songs (Woody Guthrie), etc. Audience participation will be encouraged - singing, insights, questions, dialogue, etc.!

Part 2 will pick up with Woody Guthrie, and include commentary about and songs by Pete Seeger, Leadbelly, Malvina Reynolds, Bob Dylan, Phil Ochs, Richie Havens, Bruce Springsteen, Joan Baez, Kris Kristofferson, Utah Phillips, and others. Audience participation will be encouraged. Pete Seeger said "some music can help us escape our troubles; some music can help us understand our troubles, and some music can help us do something about our troubles." In the "short history of people's music," we will attempt to share music that taps into escape, understanding, and transformation. And we will talk about and experience what Pete called "the folk process."

Doug Morris (Ph.D., Penn State) teaches in the world of critical pedagogy at West Chester University, is a former jazz guitarist, is a singer, composer, and performer of "people's songs," and has written about Woody Guthrie, Pete Seeger, Bruce Springsteen, and others in the tradition of "people's music."
Come learn to draw! This three-session class will develop confidence in learning to see. Drawing simple shapes and learning to shade, drawing from observation, and basic proportions of the human face and drawing eyes, noses, and mouths will be covered. Pencils and sketch pads will be provided.

Demi Hauseman, retired art educator, taught for thirty years in public schools, mostly in the Carlisle Area School District. She currently shows weaving, sculptures, and some book arts at Carlisle Arts Learning Center and still enjoys interacting with students of all ages. Demi believes art is a universal gift meant to be shared!

Domestic Violence Education Series
All sessions 10:30 am to 11:30 am
Registration Required. Register for DV Education Series

Domestic Violence Services of Cumberland and Perry Counties (DVSCP) is our local nonprofit that provides FREE and confidential services to anyone who has experienced any kind of domestic violence at any point in their lives. DVSCP supports the empowerment of those who are experiencing domestic violence through the provision of equitable and inclusive direct services and the promotion of nonviolence through social and systems change. Join us for a series of programs throughout the Fall that provide much needed information to those in need.

Saturday, September 21: Supporting Survivors of Domestic Violence - Learn how to best support survivors of domestic violence through trauma informed and empowerment-based approaches. Be informed on the mental health impacts survivors may be experiencing, and how to support them and connect them to services to assist them in processing and healing from their experiences.

Saturday, October 12: Introduction to Domestic Violence - October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month. Learn about what all comprises domestic violence and how those tactics are utilized against survivors, as well as what barriers they may experience to leaving and finding safety. Stay informed on our local DV statistics and get involved in our efforts to end domestic violence in our community.

Saturday, November 16: Relationships & Our Wellbeing - Learn about the many ways relationships are essential to our wellbeing and how different kinds of relationship dynamics and relationship health can impact our wellness.

Saturday, December 14: Holiday Safety Planning - Learn how to best plan for and protect your safety and wellbeing in turbulent households or settings. Holidays can be a difficult time for people who do not have safe and supportive homes and families. This training can provide guidance on how to navigate some of these challenges and empower survivors all year long.
Exciting Adult Programs

Poetry Writing Workshop for Beginners
Wednesday, September 4 at 5:30 pm
Registration Required. Register for Poetry Writing Workshop

This poetry workshop for beginners will introduce participants to a variety of poets and provide an opportunity to produce written works of their own. Through the introduction of poetry texts and techniques, participants will develop insight into the writing process, and define what that means to them. This generative writing workshop nurtures space for participants to improve writing skills.

Nicole Santalucia is the author of The Book of Dirt (NYQ Books), Spoiled Meat (Headmistress Press), and Because I Did Not Die (Bordighera Press). Her work has appeared or is forthcoming in publications such as Colorado Review, Palette Poetry, The Best American Poetry, and elsewhere. She is an Associate Professor, the Director of First-Year Writing, co-chair of the LGBTQ+ Advisory Council, and she serves on the steering committee of the Institute for Social Inclusion at Shippensburg University in Pennsylvania.

Why We Love Sherlock
Wednesday, September 25 at 6:00 pm
Registration Required. Register for Why We Love Sherlock

The Guinness book of world records has designated Sherlock Holmes as the most portrayed literary human character in movies and TV. Over 75 actors have performed the role, and literally hundreds of Holmesian short stories and novels have been published over the last century. Join author Douglas Stuart for a discussion on why Holmes is so popular, as well as a discussion on his own Holmes novel - “Fair Game: A Holmes and Watson Adventure,” followed by a book signing.

Douglas Stuart is an Emeritus Professor of International Relations at Dickinson College and a former Adjunct Research Professor at the U.S. Army War College. He is the author or editor of six books, four monographs, and over thirty juried journal articles dealing with US national security. He is also a former NATO Fellow and State Department Scholar Diplomat. “Fair Game: A Holmes and Watson Adventure” is his first work of fiction.

Intro to Paranormal Investigating
Tuesday, October 22 at 6:00 pm
Registration Required; limited to 25 attendees. Register for Paranormal Investigating

Join the North Codorus Paranormal Society for an introduction to Paranormal Investigating! Experience handheld paranormal investigative equipment and evidence that has been collected over the last 20 years. Topics about the paranormal, our group origins, and live demonstrations of paranormal investigative equipment will be discussed. NCPS will also highlight how they conduct paranormal investigations.

The North Codorus Paranormal Society is a family and friends group of investigators who are passionate about the paranormal and helping those affected find the truth. Established in 2002 NCPS has investigated various locations up and down the East Coast. With 22 years of experience NCPS is dedicated to using the latest paranormal investigative equipment and techniques to investigate potential hauntings.
The Depression and The Lean Years
Wednesday, November 6 at 5:00 pm
Registration Required. Register for The Depression and The Lean Years

Join us for a personal recollection of the Depression era. This presentation is a personal story of a young boy’s memories and events during those difficult years, including the beginning of World War II. It is not a historical analysis of “cause” and “effect” data as might be found in a typical history presentation, but recollections of a contentious time in American history.

Robert Gerard, a career soldier, has written numerous short articles for the Carlisle Sentinel. Also, a copy of his autobiography, “The Road to Catoctin Mountain” can be found in the Bosler Library. After serving as a Department Chairman at the US Army War College, he taught for 12 years as a Professor of Management at Mount Saint Mary’s University in Emmitsburg, MD and continues to be a Professor Emeritus at that University.

Korea Memories
Thursday, November 7 at 6:00 pm
Registration Required. Register for Korea Memories

Join Colonel (Ret) Don Boose as he speaks about his experiences in Korea in the 1970s and 80s as a staff officer at the United Nations Command (UNC) headquarters and with the UNC Component of the Military Armistice Commission (UNCMAC), negotiating with the North Koreans and Chinese. This was a time of considerable tension and activity that included the August 18, 1976, murder by the North Koreans of two UNC officers in the Joint Security Area (JSA) at Panmunjom and the defection of a Soviet citizen and subsequent JSA gun battle on November 23, 1985.

Colonel (Retired) Don Boose (Donald W. Boose, Jr.) is an independent scholar who served as a faculty instructor at the U.S. Army War College from 1990 to 2019. He is a graduate of the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College and the U.S. Army War College. Colonel (Ret) Boose was an Infantry officer who served as advisor to a Vietnamese rifle battalion during the Vietnam War, but much of his 30-year military career involved Northeast Asia political-military matters.

Financial Aid Night
Thursday, December 12 at 6:00 pm
Registration Required. Register for Financial Aid Night

PHEAA Access Partners will present information on the financial aid application process, what types of aid are available for students, and strategies to start thinking about affordability before getting ready to apply for post secondary school admission. Time will be built into the presentation to allow you to ask any questions you may have regarding the financial aid process.

Presented by Ed Lane. Ed Lane is an Eastern PA Higher Education Access Partner. Mr. Lane joined PHEAA in this role in May 2024. Prior to joining PHEAA, Mr. Lane was an Associate Director of Financial Aid for the past 16 years and was an Assistant Controller for 10 years preceding that.
Join us for an exciting day of pop culture at Bosler Memorial Library’s 9th annual FREE Comic Con!

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EMMA KAYE COSPLAY
WAMI COMICS
CENTRAL PA JEDI SITH ALLIANCE

..and more!

Exciting Programs!

JAMAR NICHOLAS
Join us for an interactive workshop for kids and families with Jamar Nicholas, creator of “Leon the Extraordinary!”

COSPLAY CONTEST
Categories Available
- Kids (under 13)
- Beginner (14+)
- Advanced Creators

Prizes for 1st and 2nd in each category. Scan the QR code to register!

Hosted and Judged by Masterclass Award Winning Cosplayer Emma Kaye

CRAFT ACTIVITIES
Participate in exciting crafts like painting a 3D printed Ghibli Keychain, create a hanging Hobbit Door, and make a Pokemon Terrarium!

PLUS VENDORS, ARTIST ALLEY, AND MUCH MORE!

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26
10:00 AM TO 4:00 PM

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