“I am Bosler” Campaign Update

A great big THANK YOU to everyone who has responded with a gift to the Bosler Memorial Library “I am Bosler” annual fund campaign so far! By December 31, 2019, more than 400 of you donated a record $64,461 in direct response to the appeal!

Also, thanks to another challenge grant this year from the McCormick Family Foundation, donations from new donors to Bosler will be matched in full, up to $7,500. We haven’t quite reached that amount yet, so if you didn’t donate before December 31st, you can still donate now and have your gift matched.

The “I am Bosler” campaign, which began in November 2019, is raising funds to ensure that every member of our community, especially those experiencing financial hardship, has free access to valuable library resources. Even though the Library receives public support from Cumberland County and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, these two sources together account for less than 55% of the Library’s annual budget. That’s why your support continues to be crucial to making library books and other resources available to the public.

We still need to raise another $12,000 for the campaign during the first part of 2020, so if you have not yet contributed to Bosler Memorial Library’s 2019-20 annual fund campaign and you value what your library offers to you and everyone in the greater Carlisle community, you can still help by donating online at www.boslerlibrary.org or sending a check to “Bosler Memorial Library” at 158 W. High Street, Carlisle, PA 17013. Thanks!

Collections
Spotlight: Board Games

One of our newest collections! Patrons can now check-out board games! We’ve got games you can play with a group or individually, games for kids, teens and adults, classic games, and new games. Stop by and find the perfect game for you!

Congratulations to quilt winner, Patricia Heuser!

Friends of Bosler Vice-President Ellen Hair presented Patricia with the quilt at the December 2019 Friends of Bosler Board Meeting.
Summer Kickoff!
Saturday, June 6
9:30 am to 12:30 pm

Families are invited to join us for a fun morning of FREE games, snacks, and entertainment. And, don’t forget to register the entire family for our Summer Quest, for kids, teens, and adults! Great programs and prizes all summer long, for everyone!

Marian and Friends
Saturday, June 6
10:30 am to 11:15 am
All ages
No Registration Required

The whole family will love Marian and her cast of memorable puppet characters. Interactive and rib-tickling, you’ll want to sing and laugh along at their humorous stories and silly songs.

Read, Log, Win!

Read anything, from picture books to novels, magazines to comic books, even the back of the cereal box! Log everything you read!

As you read you’ll earn points. Children can use these points for special prizes. As teens earn more points they have more opportunities for monthly drawings. Adults will be able to enter specific raffles throughout the summer.

Carlisle Institute for Lifelong Learning – Legal Track

Are you a lawyer? Did you know Bosler is now offering CLE eligible classes? As part of the Cumberland County Law Library, Bosler will now be hosting CLE classes offered through Thomson Reuters. Upcoming spring classes include:

Legal Ethics – Model Rule 1.1: Attorney Competence: Tuesday, April 14 at 5:30 pm
(1 hour/1 ethics credit)

Registration is required. Please call the Library’s Information Services Department to register at 717-243-4642 ext. 2237

For more information about this class, please see our Carlisle Institute for Lifelong Learning booklet on page 6.
Bosler Friends’ Third Annual Art Sale Kicks Off June 5

The Fourth Annual Bosler Friends Art Sale will kick off on the June 5th First Friday. The theme for this First Friday in June is Art Walk. The sale will continue until the end of August.

Again this year, we will have art in many forms – original oil and watercolors, prints, posters, batik, needlework, and more. Some items are framed, some only matted. And, there will also be a selection of other handcrafted items such as pottery, baskets, etc. It is always fun to see an item one person is finished with become a new treasure for another person’s home.

We can only offer for sale what you bring us. If you have any art or hand crafted items that you are not using – changed your look, getting ready to downsize, a gift that is just not your style – we would love to help them find a new home through the Art Sale.

Last year, the Bosler Friends Third Annual Art Sale included 514 items and raised just over $3,750. We hope this year’s sale will be equally successful.

Donations can be made at The Bookery any time it is open. Just tell the volunteer at the sales desk that it is a donation for the Art Sale. Ask for a receipt if you need one. Receipts from the Bookery do not include the value of your donation.

Questions? Contact Barbara Bui at barbbui260@gmail.com
Thanks again for being a Friend!

Dennis Lavery Memorial Grant-in-Aid Annual Scholarship

The Friends of Bosler Library awards a grant-in-aid of $2,000 each year to a student who lives in Bosler’s service area and meets certain criteria. The following is a list of requirements for winning this grant.

Who May Apply:
Students who reside in one of the townships below, May 2020 Graduating High School students who are enrolled in an accredited college, or students who are currently enrolled in an accredited college with a 3.0 GPA, majoring in Library Science, Education, Journalism, Communications, or English. The applicant must be registered for at least 12 credits to be considered. Family members of the Friends Board or Board of Directors of Bosler Memorial Library are not eligible for this grant.

Eligible Townships:
Carlisle Borough, Dickinson Township, Lower Frankford Township, Middlesex Township, North Middleton, South Middleton Township, Upper Frankford Township, West Pennsboro Township.
2020 United States Census

The census takes place every 10 years, and the data acquired provides the basis for distributing more than $675 billion in federal funds annually to states, counties, and communities across the country. That money supports vital programs that impact housing, education, transportation, employment, healthcare, and public policy.

For the first time, households will have the option to complete their questionnaire online, in addition to mailing a paper copy.

Bosler Memorial Library will have a “Census Center” set up starting April 1 so residents can stop in and fill out their questionnaire.

Get monthly updates by signing up for Bosler’s eNewsletter! We send updates about programs, interesting library history, special databases, and much more! You can sign-up for our eNewsletter on our website (www.boslerlibrary.org) in the “Stay in the Know” section.