Bosler & Friends
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Bosler Library Responds to Global Pandemic

The Bosler Memorial Library closed its doors on March 14, in response to the COVID-19 pandemic and at the direction of the Office of Commonwealth Libraries. While the library building may be closed, that does not mean there are not ways our community can use our services. Bosler staff have been hard at work doing our best to continue to provide resources for our patrons at home.

Our Facebook and Instagram pages have daily postings on educational and entertainment materials. We have also been featuring virtual programs such as storytimes and music concerts. Our storytimes have been a major hit! In the month of April our storytime videos had 6600 views!

Boslerlibrary.org has also been revised to highlight the resources that can be accessed at home using a library card. The Cumberland County Library System has developed a “digital access” card for any PA resident who does not have a Cumberland County library card already. Information on how to apply can be found on our website.

While the library is closed, all due dates will continue to be extended and fines will not accrue. Bosler is still accepting items in our book and media drops. The drops are being emptied frequently and the items are being quarantined.

Bosler staff are already hard at work determining the new practices and protocols that will be in place when we do re-open.

We would like to thank you, our community, for the support and concern you have shown for the library over the course of this pandemic. Rest assured that we are doing everything we can to be safe, stay calm, and continue to provide as many resources as we can. We know many of you depend on us, and we depend on you. It is through your support and commitment to Bosler that we are able to make our way through these difficult times.

Collections
Spotlight: Databases

Through the Cumberland County Library System, Bosler Memorial Library users have access to a wide range of online databases. Database subjects include genealogy, images, test study guides, history, and magazines! These databases can be used in the library or remotely with your library card.
Dennis Lavery Memorial Grant-in-Aid Annual Scholarship - Deadline Extended

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 Township, South Middleton Township, Upper Frankford Township, West Pennsboro Township.

Deadline to apply has been extended to August 1, 2020. Applications can be found online at boslerfriends.com and at the library. Completed applications can be emailed to boslerfriends@boslerfriends.org.

The Friends of Bosler want to thank the Amelia Givin Library and the John Graham Library for allowing us to offer this grant-in-aid opportunity to all students in our shared service municipalities of Dickinson Township, South Middleton Township, and West Pennsboro Township.

June Music @ Bosler Concert Sponsored by F&M Trust

Thanks to sponsorship support from F&M Trust this year, Music @ Bosler concert-goers will be able to enjoy a free concert at Bosler this June by local blues guitarist Forrest Brown, accompanied by Larry Lentz.

Forrest Brown has been a staple on the Central Pennsylvania music scene for quite some time. In his career he has been a member of several well-known area bands and performed with some of the area’s finest musicians. In the past three decades or so, Forrest has been a member and leader of Blitz Dynette, worked with Shea Quinn in Clockwork, and had a stint with Rich Clare’s Pentagon, just to name a few. He is currently filling the guitar chair for the Uptown Band out of Reading, PA.

He is able to blend R&B, pop, rock, jazz and even a little country. Versed in many styles, Forrest Brown is a performer worth seeing.

Join us for Music @ Bosler on Friday, June 26 at 7:00 pm!

Due to possible restrictions on social gatherings, this concert may be limited in attendance.
Help Support Library Services and Have Your Gift Matched

Thanks to you and others who donate to Bosler Memorial Library, we are able to provide access to online collections, databases, services, and virtual programs even while we are closed. Staff who are able are working from home, and we are currently able to continue to pay staff. But, as the closure due to the coronavirus continues, your gift of support today, even just $10, will help to ease the growing financial stress on the library.

If you have not made a donation directly to Bosler Memorial Library’s annual fund in the past, your gift today may be matched by the McCormick Family Foundation, which is matching new gifts this year (up to $7,500 total). Note: A membership with the Friends of Bosler is different from a gift to Bosler Memorial Library.

Also, consider making your donation a recurring monthly gift to spread your donation over a longer period.

Visit www.boslerlibrary.org to make a gift securely online or mail your check, payable to “Bosler Memorial Library” to 158 W. High Street, Carlisle, PA 17013. For questions, contact Molly Shane, CFRE, Development Officer, at mshane@ccpa.net or (717) 243-4642, ext. 3222. Thanks!

Quilt Raffle

Enter to win this quilt from the Friends of Bosler Library! Tickets will be available at the Bookery, the Public Services Desk, and will be sent in the August Newsletter.

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.

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www.boslerlibrary.org
Member of the Cumberland County Library System
Monday - Friday: 10am to 9pm
Saturday: 10am to 5pm
Sunday: 1pm to 5pm

Friends of Bosler Memorial Library
717-243-3313
www.boslerfriends.com
Bookery Hours
Tuesday and Thursday: 10am to 7pm
Friday and Saturday: 10am to 4pm

The Library will be closed July 4 and open at noon on July 15
READ! Read books, picture books, graphic novels, magazines, you can even listen to audiobooks! Each time you read, log the number of minutes you read. As your minutes of reading accumulate you will earn badges which come with special prizes. In addition to logging your reading, you can also log activities! Activities will earn additional badges!

All reading and activity goals, as well as prizes, will be listed on your SummerQuest account at https://boslerlibrary.beanstack.org starting June 6.

Bosler’s 2020 SummerQuest is sponsored by The Jerry and Ellen Hair Foundation with additional support from F&M Trust and The Donald B. and Dorothy L. Stabler Foundation.