Thank you to all our patrons and donors for making 2022 a great year at the Bosler Memorial Library!

Spring program guides now available!

View our Growing Learners Library Booklet

View our Carlisle Institute for Lifelong Learning Booklet

We have some great programs happening January through May 2023! For children and tweens, these include sensory exploration programs, parachute play, play and learn groups, a new Tween Super Fandom Saturday, and more! For adults we have a mindfulness retreat, Ham Radio course, digital literacy workshops, and much more! Click on the links above to view all our spring programs.
10 Days Left to Have Your Gift Matched!
Help ensure continued access to library collections, programs, and services by making a gift today to the Nurturing Lifelong Learning campaign, and your gift could be doubled!

“Since reading is a central focus of SPY, the access to Bosler’s vast collections, engaging learning opportunities, and the donated books for kids to keep have been invaluable in helping build their reading skills and confidence.” - Jeanna Som, Executive Director, Summer Program for Youth

When you donate to Bosler Memorial Library, you are helping children in the SPY program and others to develop a love for reading and learning. You also ensure that everyone in the greater Carlisle community has access to reading materials, internet computers, reference assistance, engaging programs, and a wealth of other services to nurture lifelong learning and live happy and productive lives.

Click here to donate securely online today where you can even sign up to give monthly! You can also drop off a check at the Library or mail it payable to “Bosler Memorial Library” at 158 W. High Street, Carlisle, PA 17013.

AND, your gift could even be matched if it’s your first gift directly to Bosler Memorial Library (even if you have given to the Friends), thanks to a challenge grant from the McCormick Family Foundation. For questions, contact Molly Shane, Development Officer, at (717) 243-4642, x3222.
10 Years of Giving
The Bosler Memorial Library graciously thanks Mountz Jewelers for their continued sponsorship of our December Music at Bosler Concert!

On Friday, December 16, Vintage Brass performed their medley of holiday music to a packed house of 98 attendees!

Pictured above: Vintage Brass with Megan Matzner, Director of Marketing for Mountz Jewelers, and Molly Shane, Development Officer for Bosler.

A Library Champion
At the November Board of Directors meeting, the Bosler Memorial Library board posthumously awarded the Nancy J. George Library Champion Award to Karen Rovegno.

Karen was a valued member of the Bosler family and will be greatly missed!

Pictured above: Karen’s husband, Rick Rovegno, and Bosler Board President Hope Miller.

Donate and Help Save a Life
The American Red Cross will be having a blood drive at Bosler on Friday, December 30 from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm. Sign up to donate!

Blood donors who donate between December 16 and January 2 will receive a new long-sleeved Red Cross T-shirt (limited quantity)!

Discuss Graphic Novels
Do you enjoy reading graphic novels, or would you like to explore this literary medium? Join our Graphic Novel Discussion Group! This group meets on the fourth Monday of each month at 7:00 pm.

On January 22 we will be discussing the award winning book "Maus" by Art Spiegelman. Read a description of the book below. All are welcome and no registration is required.

The Pulitzer Prize-winning Maus tells the story of Vladek Spiegelman, a Jewish survivor of Hitler’s Europe, and his son, a cartoonist coming to terms with his father’s story. Maus approaches the unspeakable through the diminutive. Its form, the
cartoon (the Nazis are cats, the Jews mice), shocks us out of any lingering sense of familiarity and succeeds in "drawing us closer to the bleak heart of the Holocaust" (The New York Times). Maus is a haunting tale within a tale. Vladek’s harrowing story of survival is woven into the author’s account of his tortured relationship with his aging father. Against the backdrop of guilt brought by survival, they stage a normal life of small arguments and unhappy visits. This astonishing retelling of our century’s grisliest news is a story of survival, not only of Vladek but of the children who survive even the survivors. Maus studies the bloody pawprints of history and tracks its meaning for all of us (CCLS Summary).

**View our 2023 reading schedule here!** After January the group will discuss two titles each month, with the main title being a complete story and the second title a recommended ongoing comic book series (specific issues to be discussed will be given at the meeting the month before).

**Oshogatsu: The Japanese New Year - Exhibit**

This exhibit will introduce you to the celebration of Japan’s New Year, its meaning for Japanese culture, and its influence on the connection between American and Japanese communities. This exhibit is available for viewing during the month of January and will be in Bosler’s front lobby.

Posters and decorations made possible by The Japan-America Society of Pennsylvania. The Japan-America Society of Pennsylvania is Western PA’s bridge to Japan through informative, innovative programming in order to encourage a better understanding of the business, cultural, social, educational and political practices and customs of Japan and the United States. We have a variety of events year-round that support the US-Japan friendship at the grassroots level. You can read more about the JASP at [www.japansocietypa.org](http://www.japansocietypa.org).

**Thank you for Dining to Donate for Bosler!**

In this season of giving and gratitude, Bosler is especially grateful to the patrons who participated in the Dine to Donate program. Though new to the library this year, the program raised $2,640.46 from the 11 events held in 2022. Thank you!

The Library is likewise very grateful to the local restaurants who not only participated, but in some cases, donated an additional gift.

We’re busy lining up the schedule for 2023. The first will be at [Playa Bowls](http://playabowls.com) on January 18, from 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM.

Restaurant flyers will be available inside the library in the coming weeks, or you can print one from the Bosler web site. At any of the events, please don’t hand
out extra flyers at the restaurants, or the event could be cancelled. Because of state regulations, alcohol is not included in these fundraisers.

Watch your in-box and the Bosler web site for more information on events slated for 2023. Thanks so much for your support!

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**Trekking The World**  
A review by Bosler's Tabletop Gaming Group

The calendar has turned to winter. If you're thinking back wistfully to summer travel, maybe playing *Trekking The World*, by Underdog Games ([www.underdoggames.com](http://www.underdoggames.com)) will help! The Monday Night Tabletop Games group gave it a try.

The layout description and photo diagram in the game booklet made setting up the game board easy. Make sure you're using the correct configuration for your number of players. Once the board was set, picking up the way play proceeds was no problem. The instructions are clear for the most part. We recommend watching the play-through video from Underdog Games to clarify anything that doesn't click.

This game resembles family classic *Ticket To Ride*, in that players travel between destinations using cards. Each turn is made up of a move and an action. There are limitations on moving which make the game more interesting, and caused some groans of dismay among our group as play progressed. Collecting souvenir cubes from destinations gains victory points at the end of the game via region tokens and sets or quantities of cubes.

After moving, the player must take an action. They will gain cards to play later, or a destination card worth victory points, or, if choosing to play one of the Journey cards on the board, some special considerations. Each of the destination cards features facts about the location on the card. We had fun reading these aloud as each destination was taken; this adds another facet to the interest of the game.

When one player gains five destination cards, or when only one of the six region tokens remains on the board, play stops, and points are totaled. A tally sheet is included with the game so it's easy to figure out who won.

Game Night players found *Trekking The World* to be a relaxing game, good for families or any group up to five people. It took us a little more than 90 minutes to set up, watch the video, and play for the first time; a game with experienced players would probably last about an hour. **You can check out Trekking The World from the Library's collection!**

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**Name a Day at Bosler**  
Need a gift for that person on your list who has everything? Why not support library services and honor a loved one (or yourself!) by naming a day at Bosler Memorial Library?

[Click here](#) to sign up for just $100 ($75 for active Friends of Bosler members).

Your gift will be recognized on:
- Bosler's website
- Digital monitors throughout the library
- Bookmarks handed out to patrons
- Facebook
- Signs inside both library entrances

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