



The Friends of Bosler Memorial Library Dr. Seuss Hat for Downtown Carlisle Association's Ice Art Fest!

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### Spring Programming Guides are Available!

We have exciting programs for all ages coming this spring. We have special lectures from the Cumberland County Historical Society, Ham Radio for Beginners, and financial planning programs for adults. For children and families we have a Toddler STEAM program and a Meet the Composers that will explore female composers in celebration of Women's History Month.

[View the Growing Learners Library Program Guide \(Youth Programs\)](#)

[View the Carlisle Institute for Lifelong Learning Program Guide \(Adult Programs\)](#)



Make a gift to Bosler through the Partnership for Better Health's Match Madness Campaign this March, and your gift will be matched! **DONATE HERE** between March 1 and 31



## Late-Life Care Series

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Presented by Michelle Lisk, CEO of Synergy HomeCare of Mid Penn, this three-part series will give you the opportunity to learn about a wide range of topics concerning aging, health, and more.

### Wednesday, February 21 at 11:00 am:

**Aging in Place** - this session will address scenarios such as falls, strokes, and navigating healthcare options for seniors to stay in their homes.

### Wednesday, March 20 at 11:00 am:

**Memory Care** - this session will cover Alzheimer's, behavioral concerns, communication skills, person-centered care, resources, and support.

### Wednesday, April 17 at 11:00 am:

**Advanced Directives** - this session will present information on power of attorney, living wills, and more.

Registration is required, [register for Late-Life Care Series](#).



## Music @ Bosler: Stone House Breakdown

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Stone House Breakdown revives and celebrates Appalachian music. They perform original songs in the traditional bluegrass style, old timey standards, bluegrass gospel, and contemporary Americana folk. Driven by Scruggs-style banjo picking, their full and distinctive sound and organic style is reminiscent of the classic bluegrass greats like The Stanley Brothers.

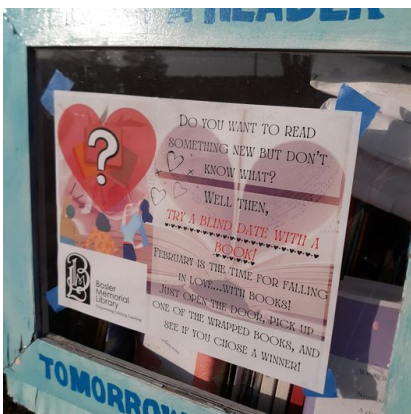
Free to the public. No registration required.

**This concert is sponsored by Melissa and Bill Gallagher.**

### Friday, February 23 at 7:00 pm

\*\*\*Please note: the Library will not be open for check-out or browsing after the concert. Library doors are locked at 7:55 pm, once you exit the building after this time you will not be able to re-enter.\*\*\*

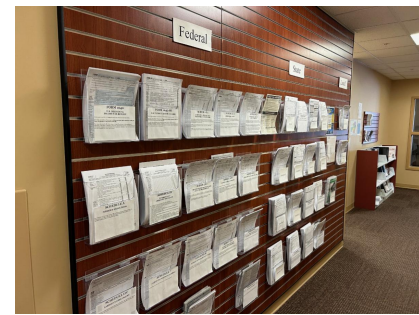
We are looking for sponsors for several Music @ Bosler concerts in the coming year. Contact Molly Shane at (717) 243-4642, x3222 or by email at [mshane@cumberlandcountylibraries.org](mailto:mshane@cumberlandcountylibraries.org) for more information.



In honor of Valentine's Day, throughout the month of February visit one of our Bosler Free Libraries scattered in and around Carlisle for a Blind Date with a Book! Each book is wrapped up, and a little sticker on the cover hints at the story inside. You might pick a book that makes you go "blah," "meh," or "Oh YEAH!!!". You never know!

**See the locations of Bosler's Free Libraries!**

Bosler has tax forms! Our Information Services Department provides free copies of local, state, and federal tax forms to the public. We also provide copies of the Pennsylvania Property Tax and Rent Rebate booklet. These booklets are available until the state's application deadline. You can locate these tax forms in the Information Services Department, on the second floor of the Library.



Bosler thanks PA State Representative Barb Gleim for providing the Library a variety of tax forms to distribute for free to the public.



Do you need assistance with your taxes? Bosler Memorial Library is partnering with the United Way of the Capital Region to offer tax preparation. Appointments can be made for Fridays during tax season from 12:00 pm to 4:00 pm. To make an appointment, please call 2-1-1.

This service is made possible by the Money in Your Pocket program by the United Way of the Capital Region, which provides tax filing assistance for low-to-moderate income working families. If individuals are not able to file their taxes in-person, they are welcome to use Touch-Free Taxes service.

[Learn more about the Money in Your Pocket program here.](#)



### Financial Basics Series

Join Tim Eicholtz, Regional Vice President for Primerica Financial Services, for a crash course in some financial basics. Tim has over 10 years of experience in the financial industry, including expertise in financial security, debt reduction, and life insurance.

**Wednesday, April 10 at 6:30 pm:**

#### **Part 1-How Money Works**

Could your finances use a refresher? Learn the strategies to take control of your



### Ham Radio for Beginners

Join us this February, March, and April to learn what you will need to know to pass the amateur radio exam! In this informational, seven-week course, attendees will learn the "rules of the road", the basics of electronics, and the fundamentals of how radio works. You will also have the opportunity to take the Federal Communications Commission exam to earn your license!

**Mondays: 2/26, 3/4, 3/11, 3/18, 3/25, 4/1, 4/8**

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!"

**Wednesday, April 24 at 6:30 pm:**

**Part 2-Investing For Success**

Learn the basics of investing in this powerful workshop! Learn about the 3 D'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!

Registration is required, [register for Financial Basics Series](#)

**5:30 pm to 7:30 pm each date**

A textbook, radio, and testing fee would be provided for attendees. Sessions are free but registration is required. Registration is for all courses, but attendees are welcome to attend as many sessions as comfortable. [Register for Ham Radio for Beginners](#)



A Series of Conversations on Single-use Plastics In partnership with Move Past Plastic this monthly series will discuss social and environmental justice issues. Join us at the Library or attend via Zoom!

For a list of dates and topics visit <https://movepastplastic.com/>

The American Red Cross is experiencing an emergency blood shortage as the nation faces the lowest number of people giving blood in 20 years. Blood and platelet donations are needed now to help alleviate the shortage and ensure lifesaving medical procedures are not delayed.

Bosler will be hosting Blood Drives on March 6, May 28, and June 14.



[Sign-up to Donate Blood](#)



## **Tween Super Fandom!**

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Tweens ages 9 to 12 are invited to join us each month as we feature a different fandom at this program. We'll have games, food, art, and more as appropriate for the selected fandom. This special program occurs on the fourth Saturday of each month (January through May) at 10:30 am.

**Saturday, March 23 at 10:30**  
**Topic: Super Mario!**

Registration is required. [Register for Super Mario Tween Super Fandom.](#)



## **Tween Quest**

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Tweens ages 9 to 12 are invited to join us each month to try a new game, activity, or art project. Each month focuses on a different topic. This special program occurs on the first Monday of each month at 4:00 pm.

**Monday, March 4 at 4:00 pm**  
**Topic: Taste Test Challenge**

Registration is required, [register for Taste Test Tween Quest.](#)

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## **Dennis Lavery Memorial Grant-in-Aid Annual Scholarship**

The Friends of Bosler Library awards a \$2,000 scholarship 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, and either May 2024 Graduating High School students who are enrolled in an accredited college, or students 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.

[Learn more and view the application here.](#)

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## Teen Dungeons and Dragons

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For ages 13 to 17 only

Calling all wizards, rogues, bards and more to Bosler Library for an epic one-shot adventure! Are you an avid Dungeons & Dragons player? Have you been wanting the library to start a D&D club just for teens? Then join us for this one-shot adventure! Any level of experience is welcome.

If possible, please create a free account on **dndbeyond.com** to make character creation easier on the day of the event. Paper sheets will be available for those who cannot make an account. What should you bring? Your own digital device to access DnD Beyond (if you are creating an account) and dice. Don't have dice? We will also have some available here at the library to use.

**Saturday, February 24 at 11:00 am**

Registration is required. [Register for Teen Dungeons and Dragons.](#)



## Sounds of Religion: Poster Exhibit

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Choirs singing. Monks chanting. The reading of religious texts. These are religious sounds. But so too are the creaking of church pews and the clanking of pots during the preparation of a communal meal. *Sounds of Religion* is a poster exhibition that explores how rituals and gatherings of religious communities create a complex soundtrack of religions in the United States that teaches us how people behave, how they're different, and how they're alike. Through QR codes, viewers are invited to listen to eight contemporary recordings that serve as an audio portrait of the rich and dynamic differences that make religious life in the U.S. unique.

**On display in Bosler's front lobby from March 4 through April 5.**

*Sounds of Religion* is organized by the Smithsonian Institution Traveling Exhibition Service in cooperation with the American Religious Sounds Project of The Ohio State University and Michigan State University and made possible through the generous support of The Henry Luce Foundation.

**Picture: Blowing a shofar during an outdoor Rosh Hashanah ceremony in Bexley, Ohio.**

*Photo by Lauren Pond*

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## Found at the Library!

Our Youth Services Department has a new Light Table! Located in our Discovery Zone, kids and parents can enjoy using the light table and the variety of interactives anytime they visit the Youth Services Department. You can request

the light table be turned on at the Youth Services Desk.



The Bosler Memorial Library is proud to announce new board members that have joined the Library in 2024.

Bosler welcomes back Lu Conser, who previously served on the Bosler board from 2014-2019. Conser will be serving as Board President for 2024, taking over for Hope Miller who cycled off the Board in December after serving as President for four years. Bosler also welcomes Adam

Messer, who has been a dedicated member of Bosler's Development Committee since 2021. Adam's seat was previously held by Stephanie Chertok, who also cycled off the Board in December and served on the Board of Directors for six years. Conser and Messer will bring their insight and expertise to an engaged and active Board of Directors.

Bosler's 2024 Board of Directors are:

Lu Conser – President  
Courtney Hair LaRue – Vice President  
Amy Lockett – Treasurer  
Katherine Fitz-Patrick – Secretary  
Manal El Harrak (not pictured)  
James Hutcheson  
Carol Ann Johnston  
Kevin Lyttle - President of the Friends of Bosler Board  
Adam Messer (not pictured)  
Emmanuel Quainoo  
Lillian M. Wong

Bosler's Board of Directors meet on the third Thursday of each month at 5:00 pm. Meetings are held in Bosler's community meeting rooms and are open to the public.

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