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Friends' Book Sale is Now Monthly!

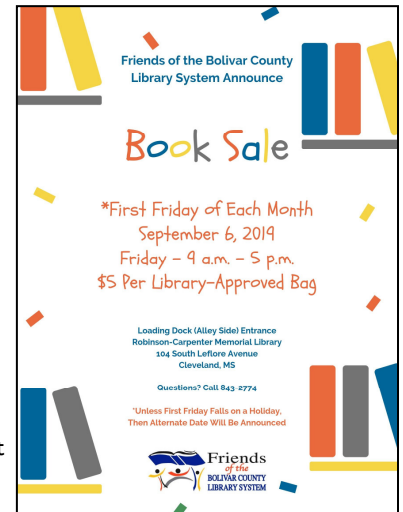
The Friends of the Bolivar County Library System were so pleased with the enthusiastic reception the Book Sales in June and August received, they have decided to make the Book Sale a monthly event. That's right, the Friends will hold a Book Sale each month on the first Friday—unless it falls on a holiday, then an alternate date will be announced—at the Robinson-Carpenter Memorial Library in Cleveland from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Enter Robinson-Carpenter at the side entrance at the loading dock in the alley. If you have difficulty climbing stairs, come in the entrance you usually use and alert a staff member at the Circulation Desk. They will escort you back to the Book Sale through the building.

What will be available? All the things you love about the Book Sale!

There will be hardback and paperback books (including some large print titles) in all genres, including non-fiction, romance, mystery, inspirational, historical fiction, children's picture and chapter books, etc. Depending on the donations the library receives from the community, other items may also be offered, such as music CDs, DVD/Blu-Rays, and audiobooks.

What do items in the Book Sale cost? The price is \$5 per library-approved bag! A library-approved bag is one the size of a regular Wal-Mart or Kroger plastic grocery bag or one of the Friends Book Bags that will be available for \$5 each. Of course, if you've already purchased a Friends Book bag, you may bring it with you to fill with your purchases.

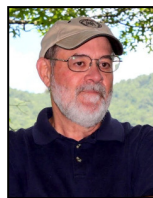
Of course, if you can't wait for the monthly book sales you can still stop by Robinson-Carpenter and shop for used books and other items at the Friends' Book Sale niche. Prices in the Book Sale niche are hardbacks for \$1, paperbacks for 50¢, children's books for 50¢, audiobooks for \$1, music CDs for 50¢, and DVD/Blu-Rays for \$1. Please note that all formats listed may not be available at all times.



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Lunch With Books Welcomes MS Author Lovejoy Boteler



BCLS and the Friends of the Library are pleased to welcome Mississippi author Lovejoy Boteler as the Lunch With Books

guest speaker on September 19th.

Mr. Boteler is the author of *Crooked Snake: The Life and Crimes of Albert Lepard*. Lepard was a convicted felon serving a life-sentence

in Parchman Penitentiary when he and another inmate escaped from Parchman and kidnapped the author, who was then an 18-year-old. The book tells about the author's memories of the event and also chronicles the life of Lepard.

A book signing will follow the program. To preorder a book to be signed by the author, contact

Cotton Row Bookstore at 662.843.7083 by September 13th and your book will be available for purchase at the program.

Bring your lunch and join us for this exciting program at the Robinson-Carpenter Memorial Library in Cleveland on September 19th at 12 Noon. As always, admission is free and soft drinks will be provided.

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NASA ASTRO CAMP



BCLS in partnership with Fly Zone in hosting the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) SSC ASTRO CAMP for students in the grades 1st through 12th! NASA's vision with ASTRO CAMP is to inspire the next generation of scientists, researchers, and engineers to pursue careers in STEM fields.

What is ASTRO CAMP? ASTRO CAMP is a challenging, science based non-residential series of camps, the goal of which is to give all students the chance to get

involved in and experience Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) to inspire future astronauts and engineers to learn about space with NASA unique activities. The program also strives to spark student's interest in learning the basics of engineering, rocketry, robotics, and supporting NGSS (that is, Next Generation Science Standards) while having fun.

Space in ASTRO CAMP is limited! If you didn't register for the first camp earlier this summer, you will

need to register now at Robinson-Carpenter Memorial Library in Cleveland. Ask for Jelisa Hatcher or Bobbie Matheny.

ASTRO CAMP will meet at Robinson Carpenter Memorial Library in Cleveland on October 14th from 1-5 p.m. and November 25th & 26th from 1-5 p.m.

For more information about ASTRO CAMP, contact Jelisa Hatcher at 662.843.2774, ext. 108.

NASA ASTRO CAMP—you don't want to miss it! Call Jelisa or stop by the library today!

"If I was a book, I would like to be a library book, so I would be taken home by all different sorts of kids."
~Cornelia Funke

Calendar

September 6th—**Book Sale** from 9-5—Open to Public in Cleveland

September 7th, October 5th, November 2nd—**Saturday Preschool Storyhour** @ 11 a.m.—Open to the Public in Cleveland

September 13th, 20th, 27th, October 4th, 11th, 18th, & 25th—**Preschool Storyhour** @ 10 a.m.—For Children Under Five in Cleveland

September 18th & October 16th—**Cleveland Commission Meeting** @ 10:00 a.m.—Open to the Public in Cleveland

September 18th & October 16th—**Board of Trustees Meeting** @ 1:30 p.m.—Open to the Public in Cleveland

September 19th—**Lunch With Books Featuring Lovejoy Boteler** @ 12 Noon—Open to the Public in Cleveland

October 2nd—**Seniors Day Out!** @ 10-11:30 a.m.—Open to the Public in Cleveland

October 14th, November 25th & 26th—**Astro Camp** @ 1-5 p.m.—Registration Required in Cleveland

NOTICE BOLIVAR BOOK CLUB

Unfortunately, materials have not arrived necessitating the cancellation of the Bolivar Book Club meeting in September. The Club will resume in October. Watch for in-library flyers and Facebook posts announcing the October book and Club details.

Dancing Rabbit Library Consortium

The Dancing Rabbit Library Consortium was created in 2001 as a means to allow libraries and library systems to improve the sharing of resources, provide continuing education opportunities to members, and a way to work together to solve common problems. There are 14 member libraries, including BCLS, the closest of which are: Roberts-LaForge Library, Delta State University, Cleveland; Carnegie Public Library of Clarksdale & Coahoma County; Sunflower County Library System, Indianola; and Washington County Library System, Greenville.

Why is Dancing Rabbit, as it's commonly called these days, important to library patrons? Because it allows for patrons from member libraries to directly borrow materials from other member libraries in an arrangement called "reciprocal borrowing." (As opposed to Inter-Library Loans in which the library borrows materials from another library for you and you then check it out at the home library.)

How does it work? All you need is a BCLS library card that is in "good standing"—that is you don't owe any fees or fines—and that you have had for at least six months. Ask at the Circulation Desk at any BCLS library for a Dancing Rabbit Card. When you receive your card, just present it at any member library and that library will issue you their library card. Please note that some member libraries may restrict the types of items you may borrow and how many items you may check out at a time.

Once issued, the Dancing Rabbit card from your home library is good for one year and—as long as your account at both libraries remains in good standing—may be renewed each year. Member libraries where you have been issued a library card may require you to show a renewed Dancing Rabbit Card each year to renew your card at their library/library system, as well. For more info, ask for a brochure at any BCLS library or see the References Services Librarian at Robinson-Carpenter Memorial Library in Cleveland.

Preschool Storyhour Begins & Saturday Preschool Storyhour Continues

Now that your older kids are back in school, are you looking for fun and educational activities for your preschooler? **Preschool Storyhour** at the library is just what you are looking for!

Preschool Storyhour resumes on Friday, September 13, 2019, and continues every Friday from 10-11 a.m. at the Robinson-Carpenter Memorial Library in Cleveland. **Preschool Storyhour** is for the individual home-bound preschooler under the age of five.

Daycares and school groups are welcome and encouraged to visit the library at prescheduled times. Call Bobbie to schedule a visit at 662.843.2774 x105.

“The theme for our first Storyhour of the year is “Friendship,” Bobbie Matheny, Youth Services Librarian, shares, “when we read books about becoming friends, sharing and caring for each other.”

Beginning with the second and subsequent Storyhours, the theme is the alphabet and different letters will be the focus of the

program each week.

BCLS also offers a **Saturday**

Preschool Storyhour the first Saturday of each month from 11 a.m. to 12 noon. The Saturday program focuses on preschool literacy skills, but is open to all ages.

Parents are reminded that they must accompany and remain with their children during each Storyhour program.



Preschool Storyhour is both fun and educational!

Did You Know?

That BCLS has a **Military USB Common Access Card (CAC) Smart Card Reader** that may be checked out for in-library use? Yes, a Smart Card Reader is available to use at Robinson-Carpenter Memorial Library in Cleveland. A CAC is a United States Department of Defense (DoD) smart card for multifactor authentication, such as military I.D. cards. Ask at the Circulation Desk.

That you can **print a document** from your smartphone or mobile device to the library? Yes, BCLS has **Mobile Print** capabilities at the Cleveland branch. Attach your document to your email leaving the subject line blank. Send to URL:

bcls-bw@printspots.com (b&w)
bcls-color@printspots.com (color)

Copies are 25¢ per page for b&w or \$1 per page for color. Ask at the Circulation Desk for info.

That BCLS can **borrow a book** from another library for you? Yes, through **Inter-Library Loan**. If we don't have a book you would like to read, if we opt not to purchase the book for our collection, we will attempt to borrow that book from another library. At any Circulation Desk, ask for a Request Card. [See “Dancing Rabbit” on Page 2 about borrowing directly from another library.]

“Without the library,
I would have been lost.”

~Jesmyn Ward

Looking for a Good Book?

Shelby: *Queen of the Damned* (*Vampire Chronicles Book 3*) by Anne Rice. Akasha, the Queen of the Damned, has risen from her 6,000 year “sleep”—and she's not happy with Lestat. She also has a plan to “save” mankind. Hmm... A good book with lots of twists and turns. (Print—Fiction)

Martha: *Outfox* by Sandra Brown. FBI Agent Drex Easton's goal is to

catch Weston Graham, a long con artist who lured eight women into his confidence and robbed them of their fortune—right before the women disappeared without a trace. A really good book with a really nice twist at the end!. (Print & Large Print—Fiction)

Tamara: *Adrift* by Rob Boffard. People come from Earth to the luxury hotel Sigma Station to tour

the Horsehead Nebula. When disaster strikes the hotel, nine people are stranded in a tourist shuttle desperately trying to survive. With dwindling food and water—and an enemy on board that wants to kill them, their odds for survival don't look good. An excellent and suspenseful story that Science Fiction readers will enjoy. (Print—Fiction)

Memorial

The Friends of the Bolivar County Library System made a donation to the Bolivar County Library System Endowment in the memory of:

Vivian Malatesta



Some Bolivar County History...

Blanche Kelso Bruce (Continued) 1849-1898

“After leaving the Senate, Bruce remained active in the Mississippi and national Republican parties.²² He briefly served as presiding officer at the 1880 Republican National Convention in Chicago, where he received eight votes for the nomination for Vice President. When the convention returned to Chicago in 1888, Bruce received 11 such votes. He also served as superintendent for black achievement at the World’s Cotton Exposition in New Orleans from 1884 to 1885 before returning to Washington to seek presidential patronage positions, his only hope of sustaining his political career. Though he rejected an offer to be Minister to Brazil because that country practiced slavery, Bruce received many endorsements for a post in President James Garfield’s Cabinet in 1881. Garfield ultimately passed him over, but Bruce obtained a prime position as register of the U.S. Treasury and remained there until 1885. In 1889, President Benjamin Harrison appointed him recorder of deeds for the District of Columbia; however, he left that office in 1893 after receiving an honorary LL.D. and joining the board of trustees at Howard University.²³ Bruce returned to the Treasury post in 1897 after being considered for a Cabinet position in President William McKinley’s administration. He continued to reside in Washington until he succumbed to a kidney ailment due to complications from diabetes on March 17, 1898.²⁴”

Excerpt: *History, Art & Archives, U.S. House of Representatives*, “BRUCE, Blanche Kelso,” [https://history.house.gov/People/Listing/B/BRUCE,-Blanche-Kelso-\(B000968\)/](https://history.house.gov/People/Listing/B/BRUCE,-Blanche-Kelso-(B000968)/) (August 30, 2018)

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