

at the library

winter library challenge

December 1 - January 31

Join the Winter Library Challenge!
All ages can participate. Pick up a
challenge card at the Library beginning
December 1, then read and play along
with us all winter long! Return your
completed card by January 31 and be
entered in a prize raffle.

**The Annual Book Sale
was a great success!**

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from the Friends of the
Library president.

**noontime
notions**

Blue Ridge Ringers

Tuesday, Dec. 6 • noon

The Ringers return for their holiday concert, *Rings and Rhythms of the Season*. They are an auditioned performance handbell group based in Hendersonville.

Musicke Antiqua

Tuesday, Dec. 13 • noon

The concert will feature music from the 13th century through the 20th century performed on replica instruments.

Dear Community,

This is a time of year for gatherings, gift giving, and festivities. The new year brings a fresh start and an opportunity to reset. The short cold days of winter are the ideal time to embrace coziness and hunker down with a good book or a craft project. This can be exciting and renewing, but it can also be stressful and expensive. Regardless of your personal circumstances, the library has resources to get you through the holiday season with both your wallet and your peace of mind intact.

Throughout the season, whether you are shopping the sales for yourself or finding the perfect gift for a loved one, use **Consumer Reports** to help make informed financial decisions with trusted ratings, recommendations and buying advice for thousands of products and services. Free online access through the library's website: library.transylvaniacounty.org/learn.

Or, you may wish to make your own gifts. Use **Craftsy** to explore tailored project kits, step-by-step expert instruction and timely lessons to make things you're proud of over and over again. Craftsy can be accessed through the Libby app or by visiting library.transylvaniacounty.com/learn/extras.

You already know that the library has **books** and **movies**. Whether you want to gather the family for your favorite story or holiday film, or whether you want a quiet moment of escape on your own, do not overlook the library—it is the best bargain in town. Additionally, we have recently expanded our **board game** selection and **book club kits**. Explore all the "stuff" you can check out at library.transylvaniacounty.org/borrow/stuff.

So, whether you need an enhancement for your next party or a quiet moment to yourself, we have you covered.

I'll see you at the library!

Rishara Finsel, Library Director

jigsaw puzzle competition

November 28 - December 21

Register your team of 2-4 players beginning November 28. Race to finish jigsaw puzzles and outpace your challengers! Points are awarded for speed, and the team with the highest score will be crowned Puzzle Champions.



Brevard High School Tri-M Honor Society
with the Annual Book Sale Moving Crew

new games available for checkout!

We have new games available for checkout, just in time for chilly evenings at home with family and friends. From fun, educational games for kids, to complex and cooperative games for grown-ups, we've got something for everyone.

**wingspan • sushi go party! • splendor • azul
hoot owl hoot! • terraforming mars • and more!**



a note from the friends of the library president

After our amazing post-Covid sale last year, your Friends of the Library Board mentally set our 2022 target a bit lower. After all, we knew you had spent two years weeding out your bookshelves and boxing volumes to deliver to us in readiness for the October 2021 sale. What if you had no more donations?

But we were in for a wonderful surprise! I want to thank everyone who donated, worked, and spread the word to make the 2022 book sale a success. We made over \$18,000 in sales and registered 21 new members of Friends of the Library and 72 renewals. Ninety-two volunteers gave 676 hours of service--pricing, sorting and boxing hundreds of books, puzzles, CDs and DVDs to tempt members of our community and out-of-town visitors in search of bargains and treasures. We welcomed many returnees, but want to encourage "newbies" to sign up to be part of next year's team.

The names of all our Book Sale volunteers are below. Special thanks to Sam and Colvin Wellborn, Bart Renner and members of the Brevard High School Tri-M Honor Society for moving books from storage, and to Transylvania County employees for their help at the sale's conclusion. Also thanks to the TCL staff who were ready to lend a helping hand, over and over again. I am especially grateful for the Friends of the Library Board who repeatedly pitched in to coordinate, publicize, direct, and work at the sale. Their leadership and support were invaluable.

With the proceeds from the Book Sale, your membership dues, your donations, and sales from the lobby carts and the Second Story Bookstore, we are making a big difference for our Transylvania County Library. Funds raised will help to upgrade our children's area, and to continue support for the 1000 Books Before Kindergarten program, as well as to provide an increasing number of games and puzzles for families to check out. A new initiative will help finance Story Walks in several locations in the community. Adults can again enjoy outdoor movement programs in the amphitheater, a terrific line-up of music in the Outdoor Concert series, and programs through Noontime Notions, All Things Appalachia, the Chautauqua Festival, and other special events.

In this season of giving thanks, we are grateful for the generous outpouring of support from our community and especially for you, the Friends of Transylvania County Library. Thank you, one and all!

Jane Carter, President
Friends of the Library

P.S. On October 31, when we resumed accepting donations on Mondays from 10-12, we received 37 boxes of books. Keep those donations coming!

thank
you!

Many thanks to all the volunteers who dedicated their time and energy to this year's Annual Book Sale:

David Alff	Steve Fleishel	Colin Kirkman	Bart Renner	Helen Whitley
Gary Allison	Kirk Friedland	Joe Kotowski	Joy Resor	Pam Williams
Peggy Baldwin	Patricia Galloway	Wendy Kotowski	Jane Rigot	Ann Zelle
Patty Black	Karen Geney	Helaine Kranz	Frank Romero	Dorine Zimmerman
Gail Blunt	Susan Goldsworthy	Jennifer Lacefield	Claire Rouse	
Jeni Brandon	Lynda Good	Lisa Lang	Richard Schram	Brevard High School
Jim Brandon	Ann Hackford	Becky Lewis	Tori Stein	Tri-M Honor Society:
Dan Carter	Peggy Hansen	Anita Loveland	Louise Stroup	Charles Burchill (instructor)
Jane Carter	Tim Hansen	Martha Mayberry	Tom Sweeny	Julia Bohn
Steve Christopher	Alice Hardy	Lorie Mihelich	Cliff Szafran	Alora Brooks
Mae Clayton	Ann Hinze	Marie Miller	Karen Szafran	Valykire Butler
Liz Cozart	Jay Hinze	Gordon Neale	Pat Thomson	Rubie Crider
Sim Cozart	Diane Hodson	Mundy Neale	Aleta Tisdale	Mya Greene
Marlene Cronin	Beverly Hughey	Jordan Newberry	Holly Votaw	Brayden Grosvenor
Dorne Dietsch	Barb Jackson	Ben Onachila	Carol Weinhofer	Isabella LaRose
Brenda Doroski	Gerri Jergensen	Delores Parker	Alice Wellborn	Brooke LaRowe
Pam Drellow	Maureen Keate	Ronnie Peterman	Colvin Wellborn	Liset-Trejo Morales
Marsha Farrell	Julia Kennerly	Chuck Ramsey	Sam Wellborn	Mason Parker
Mignon Fleishel	Patrick Kennerly	Tia Ramsey	Susy Whitcomb	Naomi Taylor

youth activities



Teen Drop-In Activity

Teens in grades 6-12 can stop by the Teen Space area and get creative with our monthly activities!

Winter Take & Make Series for Kids

Pick up a new take & make activity each month December through February. Available at the Youth Services desk all month long until they are gone! One per child per visit.

Tuesday Storytimes & Weekly Activity

10:00 am Babies & Toddlers (birth - 2 years)

10:30 am Activity Time

11:00 am Preschoolers (3-5 years)

Stories, songs, movement and more to build your child's early literacy skills. Activity Time weekly schedule:

- o 1st week of month: Building
- o 2nd week of month: Craft
- o 3rd week of month: Dance
- o 4th week of month: Art
- o 5th week of month: Surprise family activity

Teen Crocheting Series

Thursday, December 1 • 4:00 pm

Thursday, January 5 • 4:00 pm

Registration required

Learn and build your skills by signing up for one or all three programs December through February. Programs are open to teens in grades 6-12. No experience or supplies needed.

Teen Drawing Club

Mondays, December 5 & 19 • 4:00 - 5:00 pm

On the 1st and 3rd Mondays of the month, meet up with other drawing enthusiasts and enjoy an hour of drawing, sketching, doodling or coloring. Sharing techniques and creations is encouraged. Basic supplies are provided. This program is for those in grades 6-12.

Paws & Pages

Wednesdays, December 7 & 21 • 4:00 - 5:00 pm

Wednesdays, January 4 & 18 • 4:00 - 5:00 pm

On the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the month, children can drop-in to the Youth Services area and read aloud to a furry pal!

Book Nuts Book Club

Thursdays, December 8 & January 12 • 4:00 pm

Registration required

Kids age 6-9 will be reading "The Great Cake Mystery: Precious Ramotswe's Very First Case" by Alexander McCall Smith in December and "The Year of Miss Agnes" by Kirkpatrick Hill in January. Pick up a book club copy at the Youth Services desk.

Second Saturday Storytime & Craft

Saturdays, December 10 & January 14

11:00 am Family Storytime (birth - 5 years)

11:30 am Craft Time

Stories, songs, movement and a craft to build your child's early literacy skills. Same theme as Tuesday storytime and craft.

Raving Readers Book Club

Monday, December 12 • 4:00 pm

Registration required

Kids age 9-12 will be reading "Beyond Me" by Annie Donwerth-Chikamatsu. Pick up a book club copy at the Youth Services desk at the Library.

The North Carolina Arboretum's ecoEXPLORE Program: Mammalogy

Thursday, December 15 • 4:00 pm

Registration required

Join us for an introduction to mammalogy, the study of mammals. This program is geared toward ages 5 to 13, but all ages are welcome.

Out & About Storytime at

The Family Place - Rosman

Wednesday, December 21 • 11:00 am

Wednesday, January 18 • 11:00 am

Join us at the Family Place - Rosman on the 3rd Wednesdays of the month for a family storytime (birth - 5 years).

Block Party

Thursday, December 29 • 3:00 - 5:00 pm

Drop-in to build with the Library's collection of blocks including LEGO® & Duplo® bricks, Keva® planks and magnetic blocks! Unplug, meet up with friends and enjoy the afternoon.

Family Fort Night and Read-in

Friday, January 20 • 6:00 pm

Registration required

Bring your fort-building materials, like sheets and blankets, to create a family reading oasis in the Library, after hours. Snacks provided.

LEGO® Night

Monday, January 23 • 6:00 pm • One Color Challenge

On the 4th Monday of the month, children in grades K-5 can enjoy creative play by building from the monthly theme or free building. The Library will supply the LEGO® bricks. Caregivers are encouraged to attend with their children.

all things appalachia

SPEAKER SERIES



tracing the threads: weaving in the Southern Appalachians

with Barbara Miller
Thursday, December 1 • 6:30 pm

backyard ginseng in transylvania county

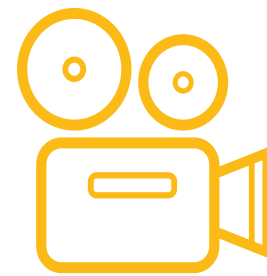
with Bart Renner
Thursday, January 5 • 6:30 pm



All experience levels welcome



Join in and play at the
ukulele circle
2nd Thursdays • 6:00 - 7:00 pm
december 8: holiday
january 12: stage & screen



second look FILMS

Little Women

Thursday, Dec 8
noon • Rated PG

Frozen II

Thursday, Dec 22
6:00 pm • Rated PG



Won't you be a Friend?

A \$15.00 contribution entitles you to a year's membership; however, the generosity of your contribution determines the extent of assistance the Friends can provide to the Library. Membership contributions are tax deductible to the extent permitted by law. Please mail your check (payable to Friends of the Library) and this form to: *Friends of the Library, 212 S. Gaston St., Brevard, NC 28712*. Or, drop off this form at the Library any time! Include your name and mailing address on the reverse side.

- Yes!** I want to be a **Friend of the Library** with my \$15 annual contribution.
- Yes!** I would like to **make an additional donation** to further support the Friends of the Library's mission in the amount of \$_____. **Total enclosed \$_____.** **Thank you for your generosity!**

Want to join or renew online? Want to donate to the Friends of the Library?

Visit library.transylvaniacounty.org/fol

holiday closures: fri. 12/23 - tue. 12/27, mon. 1/2, mon. 1/16

library hours

212 South Gaston Street
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Monday 9:30 am - 8:00 pm
Tuesday 9:30 am - 5:30 pm
Wednesday 9:30 am - 5:30 pm
Thursday 9:30 am - 8:00 pm
Friday 9:30 am - 5:30 pm
Saturday 9:30 am - 5:30 pm
Sunday closed

NC Room is closed on Saturdays
Bookmobile schedule is online

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Monday - Friday
9:30 am - 4:00 pm

book club kits

Planning for 2023 book club titles?
Borrow one of our Book Club Kits!
Each kit contains multiple copies of
a title along with a discussion guide
and author biography. Visit our
website for complete details.



wave to the bookmobile: Holiday Parades

Brevard - Saturday, Dec. 3
Rosman - Sunday, Dec. 4



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possible by the
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