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May 16th double-header! One day, two programs

4 pm: Danville High School's prize-winning speakers and debaters show their stuff

It's called forensics, but it's not the kind that involves dead bodies. This one involves speaking, debating, and drama.



Danville High School's Forensics team will demonstrate their skills in the Community Room.

And DHS Forensics is one of the country's most successful teams with nine state tournament wins (including the tournament they won

last month), two national champions, and nineteen national finalists over the past twenty-four years. Students compete from November to March in the regular season with National contests in May and June. DHS competes in fourteen speech and two debate events ranging from Impromptu

Speaking to Dramatic Interpretation. Steve Meadows is their head coach. More information is available at the team website, www.danvilleforensics.org.

News flash: Memory Lab almost ready!

The long awaited, greatly anticipated Memory Lab is under construction! A Memory Lab is a do-it-yourself digitization station. In early 2018, the BCPL received a grant, funded by the Institute of Museum and Library Services, from the DC Public Library in Washington, D.C., that provides education and money for equipment to set up our own Memory Lab.

Mary Girard and Caleb Conover, Memory Lab Ambassadors, have spent the past several months learning the ins and outs of converting VHS, cassette, and images to digital format. In February 2019 the money for equipment arrived and Joseph Hurt, IT coordinator, has been purchasing and building the equipment necessary to construct the Lab. The Memory Lab will be located in the Computer Room on the 5th level of the Library. Keep your eyes peeled for opening dates. If you have additional questions, please contact Mary Girard, mgirard@boylepublib.org.



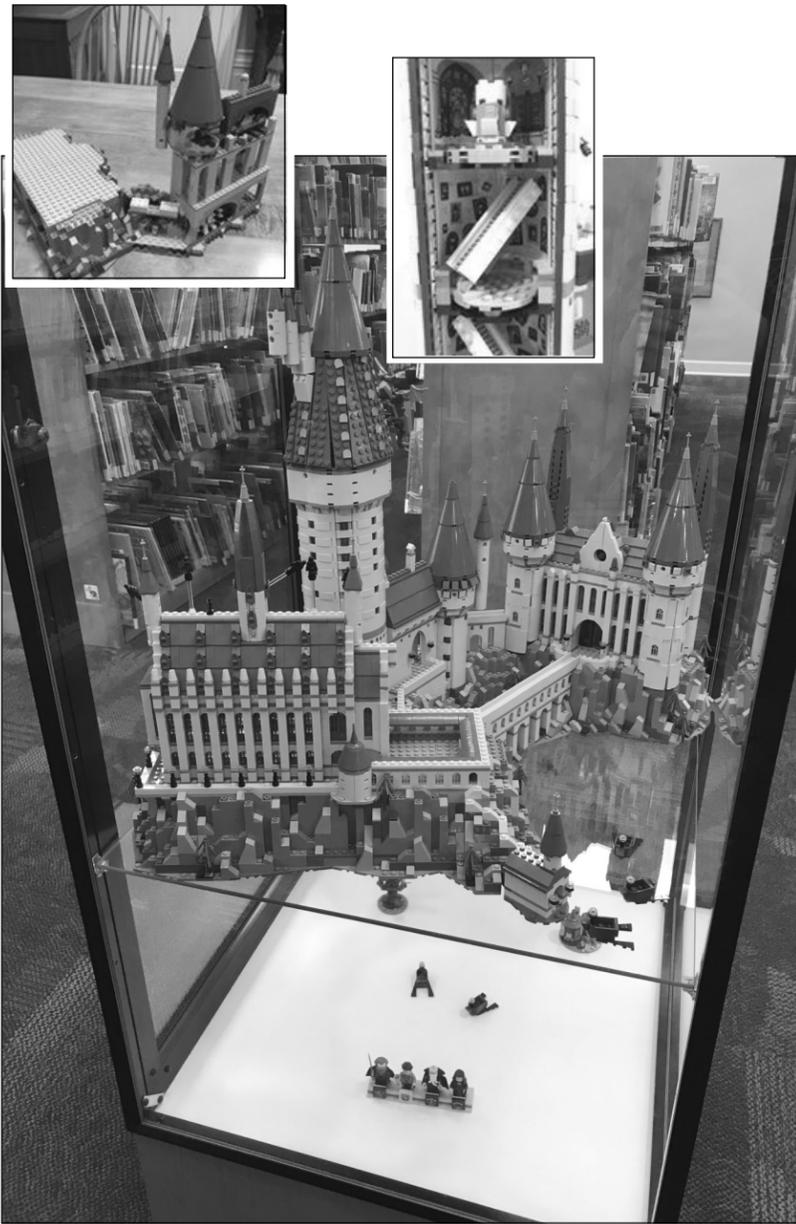
7 pm: Shady Lawn Garden

Community Room

Jim Coy will discuss the creation, destruction and restoration of Shady Lawn Garden located on his farm in Madison County, Kentucky. The farm has been in the Coy family since 1795. This is the story of ordinary farming folks who have been on the same land for a very long time and how the gardens became as much a part of their lives as the woods, pastures and crops in the fields.

It's almost summer and that means programs for kids!

June 3 is the kick-off date for Summer Reading with bouncy houses, face painting, snacks, bubbles, and more fun surprises from 11 am to 1 pm. It's going to be far out with a theme of Outer Space, as in planets, constellations, and rockets. See inside for more details and photos from last year's programs.



Hogwarts rises, LEGO by LEGO

What can you do with 6,000 LEGOS? Many of us would just look at the 37 bags of little plastic pieces and the four instruction books, shake our heads and put everything back in the box. But an enterprising group of 25 young library visitors rolled up their sleeves and brought their knowledge of the Harry Potter books to bear as they constructed a miniature duplicate of Hogwarts School of Witchcraft and Wizardry (bought with Friends of the Library funds). Harry, Hermione, Ron, Professor McGonagall and even Snape would be proud of the effort, which took a total of 20 hours to build. We "Muggles" may view the finished castle by visiting the children's library.

Rosemary Hamblin's support for the library still continues

Rosemary Hamblin, who passed away February 2, was a true friend of the BCPL. Library patrons may not realize how much Mrs. Hamblin contributed to the BCPL, but Library Director Georgia de Araujo says Rosemary's efforts have created a lasting legacy.

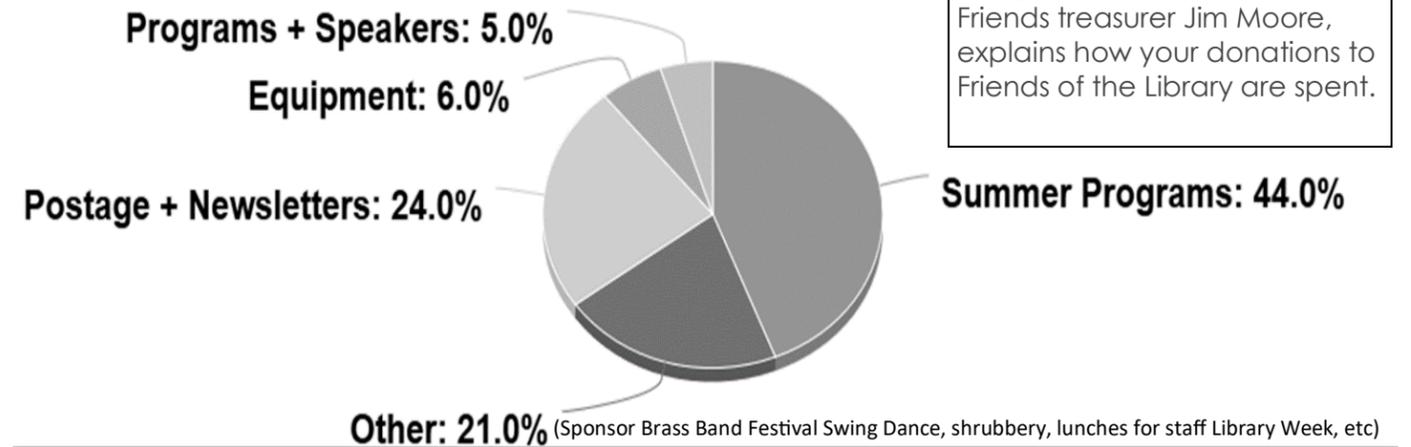
"Rosemary established a trust fund in honor of her mother, Elizabeth Thurman, as a long-term way to support the Library and all the services it provides. The extended Thurman-Hamblin family made donations to this Trust Fund over many years. While the principle remains untouched, the annual proceeds are used to support library services in a va-

riety of areas, such as children's services, support of the Bookmobile/Outreach program, and improvements to different subject areas of the print book collection," says Georgia.

"Rosemary was also an active member of the Friends of the Library and volunteered her time to support many activities undertaken by the Friends over many years."



Friends Spending 2018



This graphic, prepared by Friends treasurer Jim Moore, explains how your donations to Friends of the Library are spent.

Next book sale coming up in May

Our next book sale to benefit the Friends is planned for the second weekend in May. These sales, with Jim Moore in charge and many volunteers helping out, are a great way to raise money and have a great time!

Hours will be 1 to 8 pm Thursday, May 9; 9 am to 5:30 pm Friday, May 10; and 9 am to 3 pm Saturday, May 11.

Bring your used books to the library and we'll add them to the sale books. Then come buy some new ones at the sale!



FOL officers for 2019 are (from right to left) Karen Thornton, president; Sallie Bright, president-elect; Jim Moore, treasurer; and Alexis Angolia, secretary.



PLEASE BECOME OUR FRIEND!

I want to become a FRIEND OF THE LIBRARY at the level indicated below.

All dues are for one year from date of dues payment.

Make checks to Friends of the Library.

- Individual - \$10 (each)/year
- Family - \$25/year
- Mahan - \$100/year
- Tunis - \$500/year
- Young-Rodes - \$1,000/year

____ I am interested in volunteering at the Library. Please contact me about volunteer opportunities.

Name (please print) _____

E-Mail for regular updates/news or programs & events _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Phone (____) _____ OR (____) _____

Member information is for use of Friends of the Library and is not shared with outside parties.

All dues and gifts are tax-deductible.

New faces you might see around the library

Susan Baker

Technical Processing Assistant

Since reading is one of her favorite things to do, Susan is delighted to find herself surrounded by books in her new job. Her task is to get new books ready to go on the shelves, enfolding them in protective covers and adding the necessary stickers. She'll soon start repairing books and will eventually fill in at the circulation desk as needed. Susan, a Danville resident who was a science major at Eastern Kentucky University, says she enjoys the quiet of the library after working in a noisy factory environment. A serene place filled with books suits her just fine.



Kay Cunningham

Circulation Desk Clerk

It's no wonder someone who taught school for 27 years would describe herself as "always learning." Kay spent those years teaching math and Spanish in seventh through twelfth grades in the Garrard County and Danville schools. Since retiring as a teacher, she has sold real estate and now works part-time at the circulation desk up front or in the children's library.

"I love to hear that," she says, as a young visitor giggles while playing in the children's library one Saturday.

Though helping library patrons and selling real estate might seem to have little in common, she sees similarities.

"They're both about building relationships," says Kay, who seems to be quite good at that.



Mark your calendars for some summer fun as Swing Dance comes back to the library as part of the Great American Brass Band Festival. Sponsored by the Friends, this fun frolic is scheduled for Thursday, June 6, outside in the library park or, in case of rain, inside the library.

You keep shopping, the library gets money!

If you like to order stuff from Amazon, you can help the library while you're doing it! Just go to Amazon Smile and designate Friends of the Boyle County Public Library as your charity. From then on, 0.5% of your qualifying purchases will go to the library. (Be sure you start each order by going to Amazon Smile.) Doesn't sound like much, but if enough people do this, it could add up to some serious bucks!



We say 'thank you' during Library Week

Every library staff member gets a delicious lunch in celebration of National Library Week April 7-13. Coordinated by Friends secretary Alexis Angolia, 26 lunches will be delivered on the Wednesday of that special week. It's our small way of thanking the staff for their hard work in making our library one of the best public libraries ANYWHERE!



The Boyle County Public Library does all THAT?

Yes, and this is just a snapshot, a few figures from 2017-2018

BOYLE COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY *Connect & Explore!*

From the 2017-2018 annual report

Why BCPL is important...

215,163 items were checked out

3,838 Outreach visitors

152,224 people visited the Library last year

21,548 people attended Library programs

83,440 public computer & wireless login sessions

How much it costs us to operate per Boyle County resident per year: **\$47.63**

For that, you get access to...

129,631 books

43 public computers

1,357 library-sponsored computer classes and programs for children, teens, & adults

219,143 Movies, music, magazines & e-materials

Plus thousands of...
 • genealogical records
 • full-text online research articles
 • databases & useful data

With free Wi-Fi, art exhibits, and genealogy research help, and free access to Tutor.com, Mango Languages & Ancestry.com.

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Summer Reading:

A Universe of Stories

Outer Space is a great theme for kids! But a mobile planetarium and a "Trip to Mars" aren't the only fun things coming up in June. Some of the popular favorites are back. Don't miss all the fun when Summer Reading starts at the library in June!

Among the special visitors:

Honey Hill Farm Petting Zoo, June 11 at 10:30

Mark Wood Fun Show, June 20 at 10:30

Reptiles and Amphibians, June 26 at 10:30 and 12:30 (Toliver)



Mr. Molecule Science Show, June 27 at 11:00

Lafferty Pike Band and Instrument Petting Zoo, July 9 at 10:00 and 12:30 (Junction City)

Liberty Nature Center, July 16 at 10:30 and 12:30 (Junction City)

Trip to Mars on July 24 at 10:30

Mobile Planetarium on July 31 from 1:00-4:00, shows at the top of each hour (4 total)

Last year's activities had participants enthralled.



Annual Meeting audience captivated by Madeline McDowell Breckinridge portrayal

Kelly O'Connell Brengelman captured the spirit and determination of women's suffrage leader Madeline McDowell Breckinridge when she presented *Votes for Women*, a Kentucky Chautauqua portrayal, at the Friends Annual Meeting in February.



Other recent programs included Quilts of the Underground Railroad with Lovester Wilkinson and family, left, and *Amazing Creatures of the Galapagos* with Katie Bright and Dan Moran, below.



Lovester Wilkinson, right, talked about quilts that helped point the way for slaves using the Underground Railroad to escape. In the photo above, her son, Stephone Wilkinson, and daughter-in-law, Rosalind Wilkinson, held a star quilt as Mrs. Wilkinson spoke. Another son, Jerry Wilkinson, also spoke to the standing-room-only crowd who attended.

