



Donald W. Reynolds  
**LIBRARY**  
Serving Baxter County

**Program Guide**  
**Fall Edition**  
**September-October 2025**

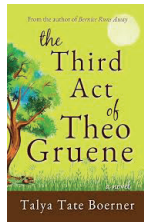
# Read | Write | Ignite

## LITERARY SERIES

### If All Baxter County Read the Same Book

**September - October**

Join us for the Library's county-wide read, *The Third Act of Theo Gruene* by Arkansas author Talya Tate Boerner, a story about a retired botany professor whose life blossoms with the arrival of a visitor.



#### Book Discussion

**Thursday, Oct. 9, 5:00-6:30pm**

### Talya Tate Boerner

**Friday, Oct. 10, 10:30am**

Author Talya will discuss her novel *The Third Act of Theo Gruene* and what inspired her to write.



### What Is Phenology?

**Friday, Oct. 10, 1:00pm**

What is Phenology? How can observing seasonal changes help us understand the natural world? Join Author, Master Naturalist, and Master Gardener Talya Tate Boerner as she teaches us.

### Ozark Author's Book Expo

**Saturday, Oct. 25, 10:00am - Noon**

Visit with Ozark authors, ask questions, get inspiration, and buy a signed copy of a book. If you are an author interested in joining us, please register at [BaxLib.org](http://BaxLib.org) or email: [jamie.v@baxlib.org](mailto:jamie.v@baxlib.org).

### Turning Leaves & Turning Pages Adult Reading Challenge

**Sept. 1 - Oct. 31**

Get a bingo by completing 3 prompts in a row to be entered into a drawing for a macrame craft kit! Blackout your card by completing all 9 prompts for a bonus entry. Register online at [BaxLib.Beanstack.org](http://BaxLib.Beanstack.org), use the Beanstack app, or ask the Circulation Desk for a print copy.



### Mysterious Reads Youth Reading Challenge

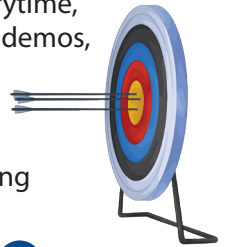
**Sept. 1 - Oct. 31**

Ages birth-grade 12 can complete the challenge to receive a "mystery" bag of goodies and be entered to win a prize. Register online at [BaxLib.Beanstack.org](http://BaxLib.Beanstack.org) or use the Beanstack app.

### Medieval Day

**Saturday, Sept. 20, 10:00am-1:00pm**

Bring the whole family for a mix of crafts, archery, storytime, calligraphy, spinning demos, and a treasure hunt worthy of legend! Dress in family-friendly period clothing or casual.



### Archery with AGFC R

**Saturday, Sept. 20, 10:00-11:30am**

### Dolly Day

**Saturday, Oct. 4, 10:00am-1:00pm**

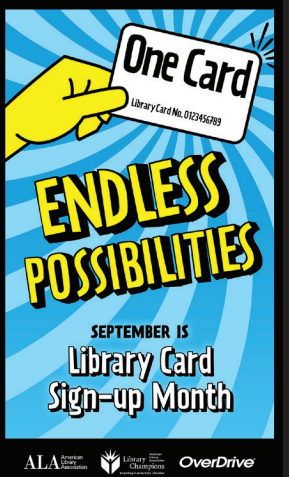
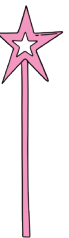
Join us for Dolly Parton Day—featuring trivia, karaoke, story time, sweet treats, Bling-Your-Own-Book-Cover, and register children 5 and younger for Dolly Parton's Imagination Library and 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten. Get your photo made with our life-sized Dolly cutout!



### Wicked Day

**Saturday, Nov. 1, 10:00am-1:00pm**

Step into a wickedly wonderful day in Oz! Enjoy a magical wand making craft, enchanting karaoke, storytime, pink and green treats as you journey down the yellow brick road. Dress up as your favorite Oz character or come as you are.



## We Love our loyal Library Patrons!

During the month of September, get a punch each time you visit the Library and check out materials.

Turn this card in to the Circulation Desk by October 1 with 3 stamps for a chance to win a prize!

Complete additional bookmarks to receive additional entries.

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# Adult Programs

## Make It! R

These crafting and DIY classes are an excellent way to try out a new hobby.

*Sponsored by Mike and Katie Risk*

### Crafty Card Making: Quilt Cards

**Tuesday, Sept. 23, 1:30pm**

### Crochet Bracelet & Freezer Pop Sock

**Tuesday, Sept. 2, 4:30pm**

### Crafty Card Making: Scored Line Cards

**Tuesday, Oct. 28, 1:30pm**

## Open Maker Space R

*Sponsored by Mike and Katie Risk*

Bring your unfinished project and work on it in our space. Arrange to use Library equipment via email: [jamie.v@baxlib.org](mailto:jamie.v@baxlib.org).

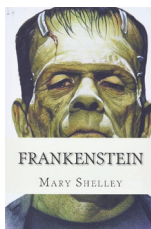
**Saturday, Sept. 6, 10:00am - 1:00pm**

## Ales & Tales

Join us at Rapp's Barren Brewing Co. every 2nd Tuesday for a live reading! A portion of the proceeds will be donated to the Library Foundation.



**Fahrenheit 451**  
by Ray Bradbury  
**Sept. 9, 6:00pm**



**Frankenstein**  
by Mary W. Shelley  
**Oct. 14, 6:00pm**

## Yoga

**Mondays & Wednesdays, 4:00pm**

Volunteer, Tony Khayat, will lead gentle exercises. No class on Sept. 1 and Oct. 13.

## Color Me Calm

**Wednesdays, 9:30am - Noon**

Friendly conversations, relaxing music, and fun coloring supplies.

## Digitize Your Memories

Learn how to use the Library's scanner to digitize your family photos and documents. **Please bring a flash drive.**

**Thursday, Sept. 18, 9:30am**

**Thursday, Sept. 25, 9:30am**

**Thursday, Oct. 9, 9:30am**

## International Cartoon Day

**Thursday, Sept. 18, 3:00-5:00pm**

Celebrate International Cartoon Day and 20 years of *Avatar: The Last Airbender*! Watch an episode or two and draw your favorite characters.

## Homesteading Skills

Gain the skills you need to live a simpler, more sustainable life.

### Autumn Gardening

**Tuesday, Sept. 30, 5:30pm**

Join the Baxter County Extension Office to learn what to plant now, how to care for your fall garden, and more.

### Small Fruits

**Tuesday, Oct. 7, 5:30pm**

Learn about growing small fruits like berries and grapes. Discover the best varieties and how to prep your soil

## Sourdough Autumn Treats R

**Wednesday, Oct. 8, 5:00pm**

Learn to make a pumpkin sourdough treat. The Baxter County Extension Office will have sourdough starter to share.

## American Red Cross Blood Drive

**Thursday, Sept. 25, 9:30am-2:30pm**

Reservations are encouraged, but walk-ins are welcome. Receive \$25 in fine forgiveness when you donate blood!

## Charcuterie

**Friday, Oct. 24, 1 R pm**

The Baxter County Extension Office will be joining us to share some tips and tricks for making charcuterie boards.

## Tech Time

Get hands on with technology!

### 3D Printed Reading Ghost

Drop in to Studio 300 and choose your ghost's book color—then watch it print! Children must be supervised by a parent or guardian for safety.

**Monday, Oct. 27, 12:30-2:30pm**

**Monday, Oct. 27, 4:30-5:30pm**

## Artistic Vibes: Art & Music

**Saturday, Nov. 1, 2:00pm**

Meet artist Beth Ivens whose artwork is currently on display at the Library. Listen to cello music by Russell Tucker and piano by Shirley Pointer.

# Book Clubs

(Books Available at Circulation Desk)

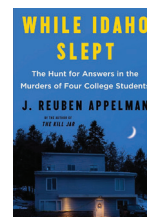
## Issues & Viewpoints Reading List and Dates:

**Every 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday, 1:30pm**



**The Forgotten 500**  
by Gregory A. Freeman  
**Sept. 3, 1:30pm**

**While Idaho Slept**  
by J. Reuben Appelman  
**Oct. 1, 1:30pm**



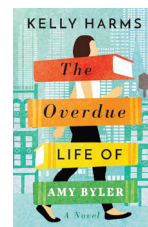
## All Booked Reading List and Dates:

*Attend via Zoom or In Person!*

*Link: [www.BaxLib.org/Events](http://www.BaxLib.org/Events)*

**Every 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday, 6:00pm**

**The Overdue Life**



**of Amy Byler**  
by Kelly Harms  
**Sept. 16, 6:00pm**

**Weyward**  
by Emilia Hart  
**Oct. 21, 6:00pm**



# Friends of the Library

## Meeting & Program

Open to the public. Refreshments served!

### Journey: The Library's Mosaic River

**Wednesday, Sept. 24, 1:30pm**

Join R. Scott and Neilla Flanagan for a look at creating the beautiful mosaic river that flows along the Library floor.

### Lucas Todd Thrift Store:

#### A Community's Tribute

**Wednesday, Oct. 22, 1:30pm**

Stephanie Caraway shares the inspiring story of Lucas Todd, his lasting impact, and the thrift store created in his memory by students and staff.

## Silent Auction

**October 3-31**

All bids must be placed by 3:00pm.



## Early Literacy

(Birth-PK)

### Story Times

Sponsored by Farmers & Merchants Bank

**Babies & Books** (0-18 mos.)

**Mondays, 9:30am**

#### Baby Prom

**Monday, Sept. 15, 10:00-11:30am**

Music, crafts, dancing, and fun for babies and caregivers—dress in fancy dresses/suits and accessories or casual, your choice!

**Toddler Time** (18 mos.-3 yrs.)

**Tuesdays, 10:30am**

**Preschool Story Time** (3-5 yr.)

**Wednesdays, 10:30am**

## Children

(Grades K-3)

### Children's Story Time

Have fun with stories, songs, and more!

#### Horseback Librarians

**Saturday, Sept. 13, 10:30am**

#### Echolocation

**Saturday, Oct. 11, 10:30am**

### Arts 'R Us <sup>R</sup>

A fun arts and crafts class to explore creativity and make unique projects.  
For grades 2-3.

#### Pen & Pencil Sketches

**Tuesday, Sept. 16, 4:30-5:30pm**

#### Georgia O'Keeffe

**Tuesday, Oct. 21, 4:30-5:30pm**

### Sew Simple <sup>R</sup>

Learn sewing basics.

#### Bedside Organizer

**Thursday, Oct. 30, 4:30-6:00pm**

## Tween

(Grades 4-6)

### Tween Library Council

Talk books, share ideas, and have fun!  
Visit the Children's Desk to apply.

**Monday, Sept. 8, 4:30-5:30pm**

**Monday, Oct. 20, 4:30-5:30pm**

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#### Cell Phone Holder

**Thursday, Sept. 11, 4:30-6:00pm**

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**Wednesday, Sept. 24, 4:00-5:30pm**

DIY your own vinyl print t-shirt.

### Picturing History <sup>R</sup>

Explore famous moments and figures in history.

#### Constitution

**Thursday, Sept. 25, 4:30-5:30pm**

#### Statue of Liberty

**Thursday, Oct. 30, 4:30-5:30pm**

## Teen

(Grades 7-12)

### Sew Simple <sup>R</sup>

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#### Cell Phone Holder

**Thursday, Sept. 11, 4:30-6:00pm**

### Friday After Hours <sup>R</sup>

Enjoy pizza and activities!

#### Rangers Apprentice by John Flanagan

**Friday, Sept. 12, 6:00-9:30pm**

#### Zombie Night

**Friday, Oct. 24, 6:00-9:30pm**

### Teen Library Council

Talk books, share ideas, and have fun!  
Visit the Teen Desk to apply.

**Thursday, Sept. 18, 4:00-6:00pm**

**Thursday, Oct. 16, 4:00-6:00pm**

### DIY Vinyl T-Shirt <sup>R</sup>

**Monday, Sept. 29, 4:00-5:30pm**

DIY your own vinyl print t-shirt.

### Journaling with 4-H Agent

**Amanda Rychtarik <sup>R</sup>**

Focus on mindfulness while learning the concept of journaling.

#### Self-Definition

**Wednesday, Oct. 1, 4:00-4:30pm**

#### Self-Examination

**Wednesday, Oct. 8, 4:00-4:30pm**

## Teen

(Grades 7-12)

### Self as Body, Mind, and Soul

**Wednesday, Oct. 15, 4:00-4:30pm**

### Self-Interest

**Wednesday, Oct. 22, 4:00-4:30pm**

### Continuity

**Wednesday, Oct. 29, 4:00-4:30pm**

## All Grades

(Grades K-12)

### Homeschool Advantage

Homeschool students K-12 can join Library staff for fun and educational classes.  
All materials provided.

### Flight

**Friday, Sept. 5, 1:00-2:30pm**

### Forests

**Friday, Oct. 3, 1:00-2:30pm**

### LEGO Club

All LEGOs provided—please don't bring your own. **Two time slots now available; choose one to attend.**

**Monday, Sept. 22, 3:30-4:15pm**

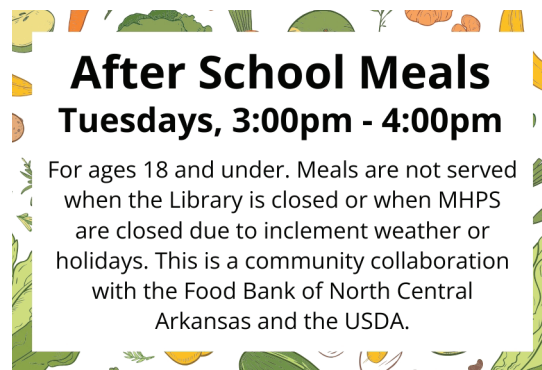
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**Monday, Oct. 27, 3:30-4:15pm**

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**PUMPKIN PAINTING!**  
**Tuesday, Oct. 14, 4:00-5:00pm**  
**One Registration per family please.**  
**BRING YOUR FAMILY & YOUR OWN PUMPKIN!**  
**PAINT & PAINTBRUSHES WILL BE PROVIDED.**



**After School Meals**  
**Tuesdays, 3:00pm - 4:00pm**  
For ages 18 and under. Meals are not served when the Library is closed or when MHPS are closed due to inclement weather or holidays. This is a community collaboration with the Food Bank of North Central Arkansas and the USDA.

# The Art Odyssey

Celebrating Artists in the Arkansas Ozarks

## A Self-Guided Tour of Artist Studios

Thursday, September 25 - Saturday, September 27, 10am - 5pm

Experience the scenic Arkansas Ozarks and visit with artists inside their studios as they open their doors and showcase their work.

Pick up your copy of The Art Odyssey tour brochure with map at the Library, or visit [TheArtOdyssey.com](http://TheArtOdyssey.com).

Get a first look at this year's featured artists in the Sneak Preview Exhibit, on display at the Library Aug. 29-Oct. 2.

<b>Become a Friend of</b>	Michelangelo.....	\$500
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	Rembrandt.....	\$100-249
	Picasso.....	\$50-99
<b>The AO with your donation</b>	Starving Artist.....	\$1-49



## Foundation

## Paving the Way for Library Hill Trail Donate Today!



## Over \$100,000 raised so far—thanks to you!

The Baxter County Library Foundation is excited to bring the Library Hill Trail Project to life—a new ¾-mile walking and biking trail that will loop around the Library campus and connect to nearby trail systems at McCabe Park and ASU-Mountain Home.

With a major boost from a \$456,000 federal grant, 80% of the funding is already secured. Now, we're rallying community support to raise the final 20%—plus long-term maintenance funds—and we're already past the \$100,000 mark!

### Why It Matters

- Provides safer pedestrian and bike access to the Library
- Connects students and families to key community spaces
- Encourages healthy lifestyles and outdoor learning
- Supports Library programs like the StoryWalk®

Every dollar helps us build a more connected, active, and literacy-friendly community.

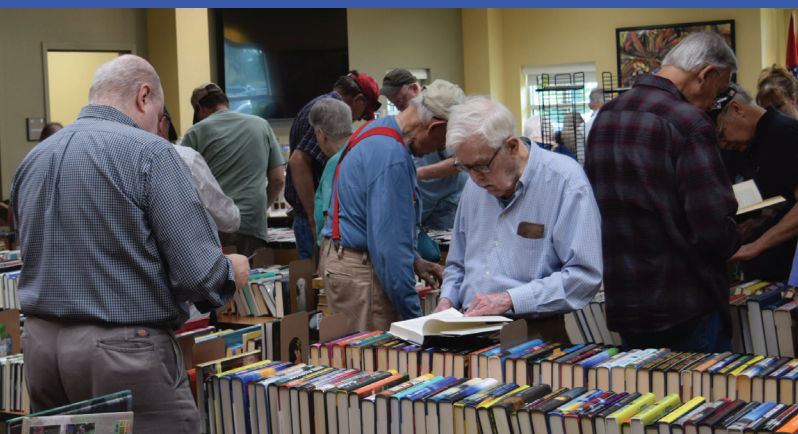
Visit [www.BaxLib.org/Library-Hill-Trail](http://www.BaxLib.org/Library-Hill-Trail) for more information or to donate online.

## Leave Your Footprint Today!

[www.BaxLib.org/Support](http://www.BaxLib.org/Support) [foundation@baxlib.org](mailto:foundation@baxlib.org)

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## Friends of the Library



## USED BOOK SALE November 20 - 22

Thursday, Nov. 20, 9:00am - 5:00pm

Friday, Nov. 21, 9:00am - 5:00pm

Saturday, Nov. 22, 10:00am - 1:00pm

Proceeds from the Friends of the Library book sales benefit Library programs and services.



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### Library Hours:

Mon. 9:00am - 6:30pm

Tue. 9:00am - 8:00pm

Wed. - Fri. 9:00am - 6:30 pm

Sat. 10:00 am - 5:00 pm

Sun. Closed

### Library Closings:

Labor Day: Sept. 1

Columbus Day: Oct. 13

Closing Early 3PM: Oct. 23

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