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# Off the Shelf

## EVENT CALENDAR

## NOVEMBER 2025

Some events may require registration. Check with your branch or online. | Adults must accompany children. | Materials provided unless otherwise noted.

EAST TENNESSEE  
ROOTS & RESOURCES  
DISCOVER YOUR STORY





Join us **November 7-9** at the **East Tennessee History Center** and discover the historical connections that make your story unique at **East Tennessee Roots & Resources**.

This three-day event brings together genealogists, historians, researchers, and regional partners to explore East Tennessee’s past. With access to the **Calvin M. McClung Historical Collection** and **Knox County Archives**, both beginners and experienced researchers will be equipped with the tools they need to connect generations and deepen their understanding of the past. Kick off the conference on **Friday, November 7 at 6:00** with a welcome and keynote speech from retired State Librarian and Archivist of Tennessee, **Charles A. Sherrill**. For the full weekend schedule, scan the code below or visit [www.knoxcountylibrary.org/etr](http://www.knoxcountylibrary.org/etr).

Friday, Nov. 7

4:00 PM  
History Center  
Walking Tours

5:00 PM  
Reception

6:00 PM  
Welcome &  
Keynote with  
Charles A. Sherrill

Saturday, Nov. 8

9:30 AM–3:30 PM  
Roots & Resources  
Research Hall open

10:00 AM–3:00 PM  
Free Genealogy  
Sessions with Expert  
Presenters  
*Registration Required*

McClung Collection and Museum  
open with free admission

Sunday, Nov. 9

1:00 PM–5:00 PM  
Open research in  
County Archives  
and McClung  
Collection

Presented by:



Doug & Jane  
McCarty



Full schedule  
and registration:



VINTAGE VOLS  
& Know-it-Alls



CALLING ALL VOL FANS!

Celebrate UT’s Homecoming **Thursday, November 13** with an unforgettable evening of historic Vols sports films and trivia from **7:00 – 9:30**, all in support of the **Tennessee Archive of Moving Image and Sound**.

Former “Voice of the Vols”, **Bob Kesling** will emcee, featuring rare footage of General Neyland, Lindsey Nelson, and iconic moments dating back to 1927.

Enjoy the nationally acclaimed **Xul Beer Co.** located on Fifth Avenue downtown and meet Vol for Life **Heath Shuler**. Hosted by Friends of the Library.

HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDE:

- Archival sports footage
- Vol-themed trivia with prizes
- Craft beer and snacks  
(one pint included with ticket, cash bar available)
- UT-themed silent auction.

Scan the QR code to purchase tickets



### STORYTIMES

<b>Lawson McGhee Library</b>	<b>Farragut Branch Library</b>	<b>Norwood Branch Library</b>
<b>Baby</b> Thurs. 10:30	<b>Baby</b> Wed. 10:30	<b>Baby</b> Wed. 10:00
<b>Toddler</b> Wed. 10:00	<b>Toddler</b> Thurs. 10:30	<b>Preschool</b> Wed. 11:00
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<b>Bearden Branch Library</b>	<b>Ready, Set, K!</b> Tues. 10:30	<b>Powell Branch Library</b>
<b>Baby</b> Fri. 10:30	<b>Fountain City Branch</b>	<b>Baby</b> Wed. 10:30
<b>Toddler</b> Wed. 10:15	<b>Baby</b> Fri. 11:00	<b>Preschool</b> Fri. 10:30
<b>Preschool</b> Tues. 10:15	<b>Preschool</b> Fri. 10:15	<b>Pajama</b> Thurs. 6:30
<b>Burlington Branch Library</b>	<b>Halls Branch Library</b>	<b>First Thurs. of each month</b>
<b>Preschool</b> Tues. 10:30	<b>Baby</b> Fri. 10:30	<b>Sequoyah Branch Library</b>
<b>Carter Branch Library</b>	<b>Toddler</b> Wed. 10:30	<b>Preschool</b> Thurs. 10:30
<b>Preschool</b> Tues. 1:30	<b>Preschool</b> Wed. 11:00	
<b>Cedar Bluff Branch</b>	<b>Howard Pinkston Branch</b>	<b>South Knoxville Branch</b>
<b>Baby</b> Tues. 10:30	<b>Preschool</b> Wed. 10:30	<b>Preschool</b> Mon. 10:30
<b>Baby</b> Tues. 11:15	<b>Karns Branch Library</b>	<b>After School</b> Tues. 3:30
<b>Toddler</b> Wed. 10:30	<b>Toddler</b> Wed. 10:30	<b>Preschool</b> Wed. 10:30
<b>Toddler</b> Wed. 11:15	<b>Preschool</b> Wed. 11:00	
<b>Preschool</b> Thurs. 10:30	<b>North Knoxville Branch</b>	
	<b>Preschool</b> Wed. 11:00	



### BOOKS



Library Book Clubs

Check out future dates online to read ahead!

Halls Literary Social Hour

Nov 4 Halls 1:00 PM

All Over the Page

Nov 10 Lawson McGhee 6:30 PM

History Parlor

Nov 13 East TN History Center 10:00 AM

Cookbook Club

Nov 15 Norwood 11:00 AM

Evening Reads

Nov 17 Bearden 6:00 PM

Teen Book Club

Nov 18 Halls 4:00 PM

Pop Culture Book Club

Nov 18 Bearden 6:00 PM

Cedar Bluff Book Circle

Nov 20 Cedar Bluff 1:00 PM

Monday Night Book Club

Nov 24 Fountain City 6:00 PM

Friends of the Library Used Book Sales

Nov 7-8 Cedar Bluff 10–5 PM

Nov 22 Karns 10–5 PM

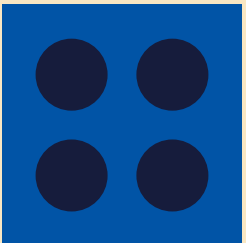
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### Be a Dolly!

We challenge you to support Imagination Library of Knox County! A gift of \$60 provides 36 books for Knox County children and provides a yard sign to challenge a friend to #BeADolly. Scan above or visit our website to make your donation today.



### LEGO® and Building Clubs

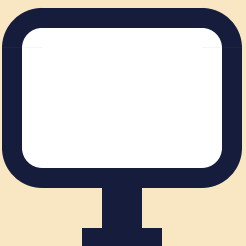
Look for building clubs at 9 library locations! (Bearden, Burlington, Cedar Bluff, Farragut, Halls, Howard Pinkston, Karns, Norwood, and Powell). Search our online calendar for times and locations.

LEGOs® are provided by the library and cannot be taken home. LEGO® and MEGA BLOKS do not sponsor, authorize or endorse these events.



### Job Help Mondays

Get job help from a reference librarian at **Lawson McGhee Library** from 12:00 to 1:00.  
Nov 3  
Nov 10  
Nov 17  
Nov 24



### Tech Help Tuesdays

Get tech help from a reference librarian at **Lawson McGhee Library** from 12:00 to 1:00.  
Nov 4  
Nov 18  
Nov 25

### Directory

(865) area code

Lawson McGhee	215-8750
Bearden	588-8813
Burlington	525-5431
Carter	933-5438
Cedar Bluff	470-7033
Corryton	688-1501
Farragut	777-1750
Fountain City	689-2681
Halls	922-2552
Howard Pinkston	573-0436
Karns	470-8663
Mascot	933-2620
Murphy	521-7812
North Knoxville	525-7036
Norwood	688-2454
Powell	947-6210
Sequoyah	525-1541
South Knoxville	573-1772

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## CHILDREN & FAMILY

### Saturday Stories & Songs

These programs highlight a variety of talented storytellers, musicians, and performers. Funded by the Margaret Dickson Bequest.

Nov 1	Karns	Symphony Orchestra	11:00 AM
Nov 8	Powell	Lisa Clow	11:00 AM
Nov 15	Sequoyah	Lisa Clow	11:00 AM
Nov 22	Farragut	Knox Kindermusik	11:00 AM

### Creation Station

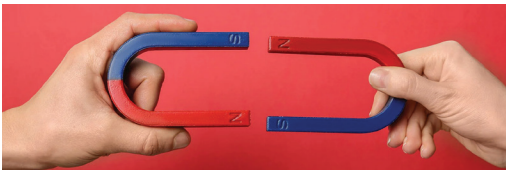
**BURLINGTON** | 4:00 PM  
Grades K-8 | A low-tech makerspace to foster innovation, encourage experimentation, and empower a new generation of makers.



### Special Storytimes

Join us for these unique storytime events. Look for weekly storytimes on the front page or online.

Nov 4	Lawson McGhee	Symphony Orchestra	11:00 AM
Nov 14	Farragut	Once Upon A Story	10:30 AM
Nov 15	Karns	Appalachian Lore	2:00 PM
Nov 24	Farragut	After School Story	4:00 PM



**TUES NOV 4**  
**Full STEAM Ahead: Magnets Push, Magnets Pull**  
HALLS | 11:00 AM  
Ages 3-5 | Activities and opportunities to explore STEAM (science, technology, engineering, art, and math) principles.

**TUES NOV 4**  
**Full STEAM Ahead**  
NORWOOD | 2:00 PM  
Explore science, technology, engineering, art, and math by participating in fun and engaging science programming.



### November Crafts

Stop by for a craft that's fun for the whole family!

<b>Felt and Fabric Pies</b>			
Nov 4	Howard Pinkston		6:00 PM
<b>Quilling Art: Thanksgiving Turkey</b>			
Nov 13	Halls		5:30 PM
<b>Craft Closet Cleanout</b>			
Nov 17	Sequoyah		6:00 PM
<b>Clay Thanksgiving Dinner</b>			
Nov 18	Howard Pinkston		6:00 PM

**THUR NOV 6**  
**Kit's Nature Club: Animal Adaptations**  
BURLINGTON | 11:00 AM  
Come explore the adaptations of ducks with Seven Islands State Birding Park rangers!

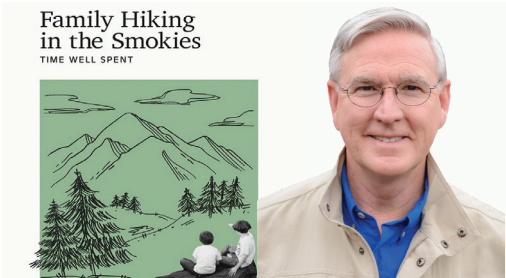


**THUR NOV 6**  
**Cabbage pH**  
HALLS | 4:00 PM  
Learn about the importance of the pH scale in water and wastewater treatment!

**THUR NOV 6**  
**Family Game Night**  
BURLINGTON | 5:30 PM  
Bring the family and come join us for a fun-filled board and video game night.

**Crafternoons**  
Ages 3+ | Develop social and motor skills while having fun with arts and crafts onsite or at home.  
**Nov 7** Halls 4:00 PM  
**Nov 21** Cedar Bluff 3:30 PM

## ADULTS



**SAT NOV 1**  
**The Local Chapter: Charles Maynard**  
BURLINGTON | 2:00 PM  
Join local author Charles W. Maynard for a book talk and meet-n-greet.

**MON NOV 3**  
**Lap Craft Club**  
FARRAGUT | 6:00 PM  
Join us for an hour of casual crafting. Bring your own supplies. Books displayed and snacks provided.



**MON NOV 3**  
**You CAN Craft: Easy Crafts for Adults**  
NORWOOD | 6:00 PM  
Make easy crafts geared toward adults that want to express their artistic side.

**SAT NOV 8**  
**New Plays**  
LAWSON MCGHEE | 1:00 PM  
Stop by to hear a play reading of *The Polders* by Alex Drinnen from the Tennessee Stage Company.

**MON NOV 10**  
**Stop the Bleed**  
CEDAR BLUFF | 10:30 AM  
Ages 13+ | Learn how to quickly and effectively control life-threatening bleeding in an emergency before professional help arrives.

**THUR NOV 13**  
**Paper Art**  
BURLINGTON | 5:30 PM  
Ages 14+ | Make crafts like quilling, jewelry-making, book folding, baskets.



**THUR NOV 13**  
**Beginners Cross-Stitch**  
NORWOOD | 6:00 PM  
Ages 13+ | Work on larger projects with intermediate and advanced stitchers.

**SAT NOV 15**  
**Ask a Master Gardener**  
NORWOOD | 10:00 AM  
Have gardening questions? Come by and Ask a Master Gardener!

**SAT NOV 15**  
**The Chronicles of Yarnia!**  
CEDAR BLUFF | 12:00 PM  
Ages 13+ | Knit, crochet, and create with fellow yarn enthusiasts.



**SUN NOV 16**  
**Daytime Docs Film Series - Dusty & Stones (2022)**  
LAWSON MCGHEE | 2:00 PM  
This film chronicles the remarkable ride of cousins Gazi "Dusty" Simelane and Linda "Stones" Msibi, a struggling country music duo from Eswatini (formally the Kingdom of Swaziland) who long for their big break.

**TUES NOV 18**  
**Mastering Medicare: Turning 65**  
CEDAR BLUFF | 1:00 PM  
Gain in-depth knowledge of your Medicare options.

**MON NOV 10**  
**Museum Mondays: AMSE presents Geology Rocks**  
HALLS | 3:00 PM  
Grades 3-8 | Learn all about the layers of the earth.



**MON NOV 10**  
**Fountain City International Pumpkin Toss**  
FOUNTAIN CITY | 4:30 PM  
The Plotting Pumpkins contest has officially ended. Compete for bragging rights with a pumpkin toss! Plotting Pumpkins entrants not picked up by Nov. 7 will be entered into the toss.

**THUR NOV 13**  
**Bearden STEM Club**  
BEARDEN | 3:30 PM  
Grades 1-5 | Learn about Science, Tech., Engineering, & Math through design, construction, & experimentation!

**THUR NOV 13**  
**Construction Junction: Building for Young Engineers**  
HALLS | 4:00 PM  
Play with building sets and share books on engineering and building.

**MON NOV 17**  
**Curiosity Club: Tennessee History Discovery Boxes**  
BURLINGTON | 4:00 PM  
Ages 5-11 | Explore the people who made up the community of East Tennessee at the time of Tennessee statehood!

**SAT NOV 22**  
**A Day with Red & Me**  
EAST TN HIST. CENTER | 10:00 AM  
Celebrate the release of children's author Terry Lee Caruthers new book, *Red & Me*, followed by a reading and Q&A.

**TUES NOV 25**  
**Family Game Night**  
POWELL | 5:00 PM  
Bring family and friends for a fun-filled evening of board and card games.

**THUR NOV 18**  
**Social Security Disability 101**  
CEDAR BLUFF | 6:30 PM  
Learn useful and accurate information about how the Social Security Disability benefit system works.

**November Adult Crafts**  
Make a craft and meet other like-minded people!  
**Seasonal Simmer Pots**  
**Nov 19** Cedar Bluff 6:00 PM

**THUR NOV 20**  
**All About Birds: The Marvel of Bird Migration**  
BURLINGTON | 11:00 AM  
Join us and a park ranger from Seven Islands State Birding Park for an engaging talk on the wonders of bird migration.

**SUN NOV 16**  
**Land of Everlasting Hills**  
EAST TN HIST. CENTER | 2:00 PM  
Join authors Ren and Helen Davis as they discuss their new book about the lives and work of two men who were instrumental in protecting the Great Smoky Mountains.

**THUR NOV 20**  
**Scrabble and Snacks**  
FARRAGUT | 6:00 PM  
Spell your way into a triple-word score and enjoy a new snack mix!

**THUR NOV 20**  
**Norwood Cross Stitch Guild**  
NORWOOD | 6:00 PM  
Ages 13+ | Work on larger projects with intermediate and advanced stitchers.

**SAT NOV 22**  
**New Plays**  
LAWSON MCGHEE | 1:00 PM  
Stop by to hear a play reading of *Potential* by Emily Pope from the Tennessee Stage Company.



**TUES NOV 25**  
**Brush Hour**  
KARNs | 6:30 PM  
Ages 13+ | A no skills necessary painting class for teens and adults.