

REPORT TO THE COMMUNITY

MCLEAN COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY

COMMUNITY CENTER FOR ALL AGES

The Library has become the meeting center for the citizens of the county! More people are using the Library for playing cards, bingo, taking classes, family movie night, and doing research on family. Teens come in after school to do homework. Many visitors may sit for a while

just to read one of the latest releases or look at current magazines. The Library subscribes to

62 different magazines.

The Library has 2,612 card holders that have access to 22,265 copies of books, 1,387 audio books, DVD's and 167 Graphic Novels and our collection is expanding daily!

Last year, the Library had 15,609 visitors. There were 115 programs held with 2,081 in attendance and 60 different meetings held with 1,043 in attendance.

The Library also is home to Owensboro Community and Technical College. OCTC Adult Education Services provide free classes to help build your reading, writing and math skills for GED, College, WorkKeys and employment. Be sure to check with them about services they

offer by calling 270-231-0338.

Another service the Library offers the county is

“WHEN I GOT [MY]
LIBRARY CARD, THAT WAS
WHEN MY LIFE BEGAN.”
RITA MAE BROWN

“Betsy Blue” our bookmobile. Betsy travels to each community in the county once every week during the summer and once every two weeks during the school year. Betsy welcomed 2,932 visitors that had access to 1600 books, audio books, and DVD's. The bookmobile also offers free Wi-Fi service, printing, copying and scanning. Be sure and visit Betsy at one of our stops!

TECHNOLOGY USE IN THE LIBRARY

Mclean County Public Library is full of technology, from fax machine to copiers, to computers and Wi-Fi access. Last year, there were 5,769 computer users, 65 separate Wi-Fi accesses, 891 copies made and 187 faxes sent or received. By offering this service, we save Library patrons a significant amount of money and time. Library have access to 105,642 eBooks, audio books, music and videos. Library patrons have access to 105,642 eBooks, audio books, music and videos free of charge. All you need is your library card.

What ELSE CAN I DO AT THE LIBRARY?

Is there a current book that you would like to read but we do not have it on the shelf or it is always checked out? How about a book that is no longer in print? Then let us get that book for you through our Interlibrary Loan Services. We have access to Libraries across the nation to get just what you want. The book will arrive at the Library within a couple of days ready for you to enjoy. For more information on this service, call the Library and Amie will be glad to help you with any questions you may have.

Another resource you might want to check out is The Kentucky Talking Book Library. This is a free library service to people who cannot read traditional print because they have a visual, physical, or reading disability. Audio and Braille materials are sent to and from users by postage-free mail or can be downloaded by computer, iPhone, iPad, or iPod Touch. Special digital players are provided by the Kentucky Talking Book Library. Go to their website at <http://kdla.ky.gov/librarians/talkingbook/Pages/default.aspx> or call 800-372-2968.

The Library also has a resource called ABCmouse.com. This is a free resource for preschool, pre-K, kindergarten and early primary. This site has more than 3,500 learning activities and 450 lessons. ABCmouse.com is the most comprehensive early learning curriculum available online.

Beginning in February, Betsy Blue will be at our county schools and preschools with story time and other activities. We will be in each community with afterschool activities for children, teens and adults. Family movie nights will also be held in each community. Come out and enjoy popcorn, drinks and the movie with us.

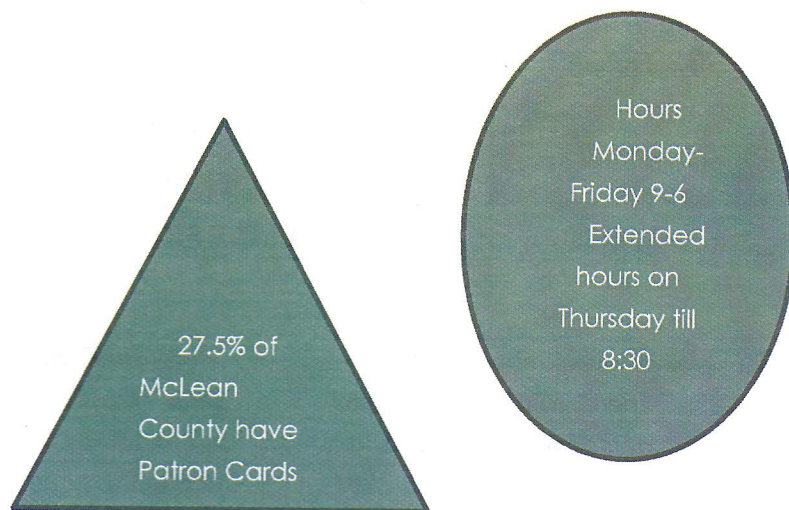
Not only will Betsy be busy, but the Library will be also!! The third Friday is our Tween "Bored" Game

nights from 6-8pm with snack and on the last Friday of the month is our Teen Night from 6-8pm. On Fridays, the Library gets to moving with Wiggles and Giggles story time for toddlers. Story time begins at 10:00 am. Check our Facebook page or call the Library for more information on upcoming events.

What does the Library cost you?

You pay 3.8 cents for every one hundred dollars of you property's value in taxes to the Library. This means that for a \$75,000 home, taxes would be only \$28.50, that's just \$2.38 a month and covers everyone who lives in your home.

If you haven't been to the Library or checked out the programs offered, please stop by and see what you're missing!



Betsy Blue's
Bookmobile Schedule
Every other week,
Tuesday @ Smith's in
Beech Grove
Wednesday @
Sacramento Methodist
church
Friday @ Calhoun IGA
parking lot
Hours 8:30-12:00

2013-2014 Services Valued at

\$ 4,631,648.00

If services were purchased:

22,265 Books @ \$30.00	\$ 667,950
51 Magazine Subscriptions @ \$35.00	1,785
1,387 Videos/DVDs @ \$15.00	20,805
72,000 Electronic Materials @ \$50.00	3,600,000
33 Interlibrary Loans @ \$30.00	990
56 Meeting Room Use @ \$50.00	2,800
5,539 Computer Use @ \$15.00	83,085
115 Programs for 2,081 attending @ \$3.00	6,243
738 eBooks Purchased @ \$10.00	7,380
374 Audio Books @ \$35.00	13,090
10,161 Downloadable Videos @ \$5.00	50,805
20,352 Downloadable Audio @ \$5.00	101,760
33 Data Base Resources @ \$1,000	33,000
818 KY Unbound (ebooks) @ \$10.00	8,180
3,377 ½ Public Service Hours @ \$10.00	<u>33,775</u>
Total	\$4,631,648
Less Library Tax Collected	<u>125,907.44</u>
Saving a total of	\$4,505,740.56

The average per capita value of library service/family	\$ 13.25
The monthly value of library service/family	\$159.00
The library service support annual value/family	\$ 1,908.00
Annual value of library services received/dollar of tax support/family	\$144.00