Yes, the newsletter is a little topsy-turvy this month, but it’s because there is so much going on! From our new Book Club Kits to The Cortex, there is a lot you need to know. To make it fit, we had to rearrange things a bit. It’s all here...it just might be in a slightly different location.
Board Spotlight: Brandi Hicks

The Kendallville Public Library Board of Trustees welcomed new member Brandi Hicks at the June 2015 Board Meeting. Brandi was appointed by the East Noble School Board and replaces Julia Nixon, who retired from the board in May.

Brandi lives in Kendallville with her husband Brandon and two children, Hayden, 7, and Ruby, 5. Their pets are a 13-year-old dachshund named Winston and a more unusual choice, an African clawed frog.

Brandi loves being a mom and spending time with her children. “I love to do all things messy and crafty,” said Brandi. “I love to cook and bake with and for my children. I am into holistic health and feel that nutrition is the basis of my family’s health. I am also an advocate for individuals with autism and special needs.”

This summer, Brandi shared her knowledge of essential oils at a library event. The workshop in May demonstrated ways to use essential oils to help alleviate fatigue, stress, pain and lethargy.

Brandi and her family are familiar faces in the library, and she said she applied to be on the board because it was a small way to give back to the place she and her children enjoy. She appreciates the staff, and would love to see an employee recognition program put in place to recognize the outstanding work they do every day.

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Library Now Leads WordUP Initiative

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“It gives us a platform to talk to parents about reading for at least 20 minutes a day with their child, talking with their child, playing with their child,” said Children’s Services Manager Beth Munk.

“We are preparing to train a group of volunteers to lead these outreach programs,” said Munk. “The mayor is involved, the fire chief and the police chief are involved as well, and retired teachers have expressed an interest in assisting with WordUp programming. These outreach events are a great way for our community leaders to develop a solid connection with citizens, while promoting the importance of literacy.”

Thank You READ Donors!

Beta Associate Chapter of Tri Kappa

Donation details and a complete list of donors is online at www.kendallvillelibrary.org.

Reserve a Mobile Hotspot for Specific Dates!

Ten mobile hotspots are now available at the library for you to check out. But checking one of them out is kind of like checking out a book...if it’s there, you can take it with you. If not, you will need to place a hold and wait. But if you are planning a vacation or know a specific time you will need WiFi, you can now reserve one hotspot for specific dates! Call us at 260-343-2030 or email us at info@kendallvillelibrary.org to check availability. But be sure to plan ahead... dates are filling quickly!

Get Text Alerts for Children’s Events!

We already have many ways for you to learn about what’s coming up at the library, and we have just added one more! The library will soon begin using Remind, a text alert service, to notify you of children’s events that are coming up.

You must opt-in to use this service, as we would never text or email you program information without your permission. To subscribe to this service, follow the instructions on the right.

The Kendallville City Council has approved the WordUP Initiative.

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Munk is planning a training session for a core group of volunteers on Wednesday, August 5 at 2:30 p.m. at the Kendallville City Hall. Anyone interested in volunteering can contact her for more information at 260-343-2030.
**Need Book Club Kits? We Have Them!**

Book clubs are gaining popularity, but sometimes it’s difficult to get your hands on a large number of books. That’s why the Kendallville Public Library created Book Club Kits for adults, and sets geared toward children in grades 3-5.

The Adult Book Club Kits each include 10 books, along with suggested discussion questions. Kits exist for the following books: Agenda 21 by Glenn Beck, Sweet Tooth by Ian McEwan, The Dinner by Herman Koch, George Washington’s Secret Six by Brian Kilmeade, An Unnecessary Woman by Rabih Alameddine, Unbroken by Laura Hillenbrand, The Storied Life of A.J. Fikry by Gabrielle Zevin, Still Alice by Lisa Genova, The Rose Project and The Rosie Effect by Graeme Simsion, The Witch of Little Italy by Suzanne Palmieri, Orphan Train by Christina Baker Kline and Redeployment by Phil Kay. All kits check out for three weeks, but that time can be extended if needed.

Each Children’s Book Club Kit will include 15 books, along with a simple activity guide and extension materials. These sets are perfect for teachers or homeschool groups. The kits available include: What Would Joey Do by Jack Gantos, 101 Ways to Bug Your Teacher by Lee Wardlaw, Coraline by Neil Gaiman, Messenger by Lois Lowry and Speak by Laurie Halse Anderson. Contact Children’s Services Manager Beth Munk at bmunk@kendallvillelibrary.org or 343-2022 for all the titles.

**Kid City is on Saturday, August 1 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Noble County Fairgrounds!**

Join the Libraries of Noble County for a “Frozen” themed adventure! Kid City is a community wide interactive learning fair that educates and inspires youth.

The event is staged in a pseudo-city made up of five neighborhoods: Community, Communications & Literacy, Health & Fitness, Arts & Culture and Environment & Science.

Each neighborhood is filled with fun, tangible learning experiences for tots through middle-school kids and their families.

The event is completely FREE and open to families throughout Northeast Indiana.

**Cardfight Saturdays**

Saturdays at 10:00 a.m.

**Choose Your Game:**

- **Yu-Gi-Oh!** $5 fee (includes cards)
- **Vanguard** $3 fee (bring your cards)

**Ms. Marvel Volume 1: No Normal**

By G. Willow Wilson and Adrian Alphona

Kamala Kahn is an ordinary teenager from Jersey City, that is, until a mysterious mist fills the city and gives her superhuman powers. She takes the name Ms. Marvel as her heroine title. However, her powers do not match those of the former Ms. Marvel. Instead, she can stretch, enlarge, shrink, and change her body to match whatever shape she deems necessary. This collection of the first five issues of Ms. Marvel features Kamala trying to understand her newfound powers, her turmoil over who to reveal or not reveal her powers to, and her first trial as a superhero. You will not want to miss Kamala Kahn’s first adventure as the one and only Ms. Marvel.

Read-a-like: **Batgirl Volume 1: The Batgirl of Burnside** by Cameron Stewart and Babs Tarr

Reviewed by Marie Kaufmann, Teen Services Manager

**Roller Girl**

By Victoria Jamieson

Twelve year old Astrid has always done everything with her best friend, Nicole. After attending a roller derby match together Astrid is engrossed by the sport and wants to learn more. So when she signs up for roller derby camp she assumes Nicole will too. To Astrid’s disappointment, Nicole would rather take ballet with a different friend. Astrid goes to roller derby camp despite her dismay. When Astrid gets to camp she realizes all the girls are older and more experienced roller derby players than herself. Read this graphic novel to find out if Astrid finishes camp and remains friends with her BFF.

Readers of graphic novels and realistic fiction will like this book.

Read-a-like: **Zebrafish** by Sharon Emerson and Renee Kurilla

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April Pulley Sayre Books

April Pulley Sayre was our guest author for the Kleiman Creative Writing Contest banquet a few years ago, which recognizes books written by local students in fourth, fifth, and sixth grade. During her speech, she read one of her chant books, and patrons and staff alike have been hooked on her books ever since. One of her newest books, *Raindrops Roll*, was perfect for this rainy summer. Sayre’s up-close pictures realistically depict each aspect of a rainy day, from the darkening sky to the making of mud.

According to her website, www.aprilsayre.com, Sayre grew up in North and South Carolina and then moved to South Bend, Indiana. She gets many of her story ideas from her life experiences.

Some other popular titles by April Pulley Sayre include:
- Go, Go, Grapes
- Rah, Rah, Radishes
- Eat Like a Bear
- Trout, Trout, Trout

Ask a staff member for help in locating these popular titles.

Far Out Fairy Tales

What happens when you take a traditional fairy tale, add a little spice, and set it in a graphic novel format? If this sounds interesting to you, check out our new series called *Far Out Fairy Tales*, with titles like *Ninja-rella*, *Snow White and the Seven Robots*, *Red Riding Hood*, *Superhero*, and *Super Billy Goats Gruff*. Reluctant readers will race through these graphic novels, which are jam-packed with excitement. Another fairy tale in comic format would be *Fairy Tale Comics*, which are fairy tales illustrated by popular cartoonists and illustrators.

Not a fan of graphic novels? Check out other interesting takes on fairy tales including *The True Story of the Three Little Pigs* and *The Stinky Cheese Man and other Fairly Stupid Tales* by Jon Scieszka. For truly twisted chapter book fairy tales, read 2015’s Kleiman Creative Writing Contest speaker Adam Gidwitz’s *Grimm* series or *Twice Told Tales* by Olivia Snowe. For more suggestions, ask a staff member at the children’s reference desk or email us at info@kendallvillelibrary.org.

Fun with Puzzles!

Left: This is a zigzag word search puzzle. Words go left, right, up, and down, but not diagonally, and can bend at a right angle. There are no unused letters, and every letter is used only once. Good luck!

Above: Which backpack can get to school? Only one has the right path.

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Earn BABE Store Vouchers at the Library!

The Kendallville Public Library is now a place where you can earn vouchers good at the Life and Family Service’s Beds and Britches, etc. store (BABE).

The vouchers are available to families in need with children age 5 and under, and can be used to purchase clothing, diapers and supplies.

Here are the ways you can earn them at the Kendallville Public Library and its Limberlost Branch:
- Attend three sessions of M.A.P.S. Workshop (formerly Preschool Class).
- Attend one Wiggle Giggle or Baby/Toddler program.
- Attend three sessions of WordUP programming outside the library.

Parents have the responsibility of checking in at these events, so that the staff can verify attendance and sign the vouchers when they are earned.

Other libraries in Noble County are offering vouchers as well, but may have their own guidelines for earning them.

The vouchers are good at the BABE Store in Kendallville within Life and Family Services, and at the location in Ligonier. To learn more about the BABE Store and vouchers, go online to www.lfsfamilies.org/services/beds-and-britchesetc-babe/.
New Adult Books Coming to KPL in August

Alert by James Patterson
Brown-Eyed Girl by Lisa Kleypas
Candy Corn Murder by Leslie Meier
Deadly Assets by W.E.B. Griffin
Devil's Bridge by Linda Fairstein
Dragonbane by Sherrilyn Kenyon
The Gift by Sandra Brown
Internship in Murder by Margaret Truman
Iron Wolf by Dale Brown
Keeper's Reach by Carla Neggers
The Last Time I Saw Her by Karen Robards
Lord of the Wings by Donna Andrews
Malice at the Palace by Rhys Bowen
The Murderer's Daughter by Jonathan Kellerman

One More Wish by Robin Jones Gunn
Point Blank by Fern Michaels
Secondhand Souls by Christopher Moore
Silver Linings by Debbie Macomber
Starlight on Willow Lake by Susan Wiggs
The Taming of the Queen by Philippa Gregory
Trap by Robert K. Tanenbaum
Who Do You Love by Jennifer Weiner
X by Sue Grafton

August DVD Releases:
Far from the Madding Crowd
Insurgent

Adult Programs and Services

Adult Events Continuing Monthly:
American Sign Language on Tuesdays, August 4, 11, 18 & 25 at 6:00 p.m. - Kendallville
Creative Writing Workshops on Tuesdays, August 4, 11, 18 & 25 at 6:00 p.m. - Kendallville
Book a Librarian on Thursdays, August 6 & 20 from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m. - Limberlost
iPad App Pack on Thursdays, August 6, 13, 20 & 27 at 7:00 p.m. - Kendallville
Windows 8.1 Workshop with a Preview of Windows 10 Wednesday, August 19 at 6:00 p.m. - Kendallville
Novel Conversations: The Rosie Effect by Grane Simsion Thursday, August 27 at 6:30 p.m. - Joanna’s Delectious Treats

Celebrate Beatlemania at the Library!
The Influence of Rock ’n Roll on the Beatles Saturday, September 19 10:00 a.m. Limberlost Public Library
The Beatles: Band of the Sixties Saturday, September 19 1:00 p.m. Kendallville Public Library

Join us for these Multimedia Presentations by Beatles Scholar Aaron Krcrowicz
Kendallville Public Library
221 S. Park Avenue
Kendallville, IN 46755
260-343-2010  Fax: 260-343-2011

Hours:
Monday - Thursday: 9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Friday: 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
Saturday: 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Closed Sunday

Limberlost Public Library
164 Kelly St., PO Box 447
Rome City, IN 46784
260-854-2775  Fax: 260-854-3382

Hours:
Monday & Thursday: 9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday: 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
Saturday: 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Closed Sunday

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Potluck: Bring a Side Dish to Share

A DAUNTING NIGHT OF MONSTERS AND MURDER
A Kendallville Public Library Murder Mystery Dinner Theatre Event

Friday, October 16 at 7:00 p.m.
Kendallville Public Library
Stop by the Adult Reference Desk to select your character!