The ADVENTURE BEGINS

Your adventure begins... on a walk, as a tourist, through our shelves, and on the road to Kindergarten readiness!
Read for Kindergarten Readiness
The Kendallville Public Library’s 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten initiative has helped dozens of families read to get ready for school. We have 100 themed book bags filled with 10 books each, plus activities to help your kids grow and learn.

If you’re already part of the 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten initiative, then you’ve probably noticed the whole new look to the activity sheets. We’ve given them a facelift, as well as added new projects and activities to help prepare your kids for school. You may spot some new books here and there, too!

If you haven’t been part of this program, now is a great time to get started. Just stop in the library, sign up and check out one of the 100 bags, each including 10 books. With your preschooler, read the books inside and give the activities a try. Read and repeat through all 1,000 books!

Is 1,000 books a magic number? No, not really. One thousand books is a manageable goal, set after studying research that suggests amazing benefits for those who read for just 20 minutes a day. Broken down, the program can be done by reading 3 books a day for a year - or stretched out over two years. It’s challenging, but achievable. Children will celebrate milestones as they progress through the program.

Look Ma, No Numbers - We’re Done with Dewey
Overheard in the library: “I don’t know who Dewey was, but he’s never done anything for me!” We agree, and that’s why we’re doing away with the Dewey Decimal System. It’s really an antiquated method for librarians - back when the books were kept behind closed doors - to find the books their patrons were looking for. Now, there’s really no need for it.

The main transition to topics has been completed in Kendallville. This summer, the transition will begin at the Limberlost Branch. What you’ll find all through the Children’s Department, as well as the non-fiction sections of the Teen and Adult Departments, are books organized alphabetically by subject. Pretty intuitive, right? It’s not a replacement for the library catalog, though. Each item still has a specific spot on the shelves, so it’s just as easy to find a book you’ve looked up in the catalog. The difference? Rather than a “call number,” the shelving location is a series of words detailing the topic and sub-topics.

Children’s Services Manager Beth Munk explains why this move is so important. “We work in words, not numbers,” she said. “When we search Google, we type in a topic. When we use an index, we search for key words. But, mostly for me in the Children’s Department, it’s about ease of use. Kids will be able to find topics they are interested in...and they’ll all be located together, not dotted throughout our collection.”

All subjects are clearly identified through signage, and the labels on the books break out categories even further as necessary. Before sorting the collection, Adult Services Manager Leah Dresser conducted a “deep weed,” removing all the old, outdated and uncirculated items. Now, we’re reinvesting in the Adult Non-Fiction collection. “Organizing books by topics really helps us find the holes in our collection,” said Dresser. “Now I can direct the funds to make the biggest impact for our patrons.”

Rambling Rocks is Underway!
This family scavenger hunt kicked off in April, and is now going on for families all across Noble County. You can participate by getting outside! Look for painted rocks that others may have hidden. When you find some, go to our Facebook group (www.facebook.com/groups/4pluramblingrocks/) to post a photo and tell us where you found them. Then it’s your turn to hide the rocks again for others to find!

Want to add more rocks to the game? Visit either library location through July 31, where we will have stones and paint supplies. In Kendallville, you’ll find the painting station inside The Cortex. Let’s “plant joy” by keeping this active, outdoor game going.

Upcoming Make & Take Projects (All are FREE):
Kendallville Public Library
May 8 through May 13
Community Canvases
May 15 through May 27
Popping Boba

The Cortex at KPL will be closed to the public for children’s events on Wednesday, May 3 and Monday, May 15 from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.

Creation Corner
Cortex

Food for Fines
June 1 through June 17
Pay your fines with items to donate to local food banks!

One Item = $1 in fines

Some restrictions may apply. Please pick up a complete list of suggested items and guidelines of the main Customer Service Desk.

Passport to Fun: Community Canvas
The Kendallville Public Library and its branch in Rome City will be participating in Indiana Tourism Week, May 8 through May 13, in cooperation with the Noble County Convention and Visitor’s Bureau.

The Tourism Bureau provides passports that will be available in the Monday, May 1st edition of the News Sun. Passports can also be picked up at any participating locations.

Those with passports can visit attractions across Noble County that are offering special discounts and activities. The library is participating with a special, free Make and Take Project – a Community Canvas. You are invited to paint a background scene, and then add a silhouette of a local landmark or activity. We will have some silhouettes available, but you are also welcome to design and cut your own with the Circuit. If you visit three or more participating locations, you can turn in your passport for the chance to win a basket of Noble County products.

Everyone is welcome to participate in this Make and Take Project, whether you have a passport or not! Our Make and Take Projects are always free.

Let the Adventure Walk Begin!
We’re kicking off this year’s Summer Adventure with last year’s community prize!

The Adventure Walk, our winner from the 2016 community vote, has recently been installed in Kendallville and Rome City. In Kendallville, the walk of 18 stations starts at the front of the Kendallville Public Library, and then continues in a loop around the library through Bixler Lake Park. In Rome City, the walk of 9 stations starts at Grant Park and continues along the walkway connecting Grant with Kelly Park.

We’re kicking off the Adventure Walk from May 15-31 with April Pulley Sayre’s book, Rah, Rah, Radishes! Let’s read about healthy eating while walking through the park. With rhyming text, this book celebrates fresh vegetables, nature’s bright colors, and the joy of healthy eating. Its interactive spirit encourages kids to join in on the read-aloud fun, and little ones won’t be able to resist the book’s vibrant photographs.

Thanks to our generous donors and partners: Alum-Elec Structures, Wick-Fab, Kendallville Glass, Kendallville Do-It Center, Kline Builders, Kendallville Park Department and the Rome City Park Department.

YARN NAIL ART FAMILY ART WORKSHOP
Free Event • Supplies Included
Bring a hammer if you have one!

Monday, May 22
6:00 p.m.
Kendallville Public Library

An art workshop for parents and their children in kindergarten and up. Each child under age 12 must have an adult with them to assist.

Registration is required at the Children’s Reference Desk or by calling 343-2024.
Activities for Kids
Birth - Grade 5

Books on Fears
Growing up can be scary. Everything is so much bigger than you, the dark is full of the unknowns and trying new things can be really tough. There are many books on topics that kids might be afraid of, but here is a list of my favorites:

**Parachute** by Danny Parker and Matt Ottley: Toby is fearful of heights, but he combats his fear by wearing a parachute everywhere he goes. He sleeps with his parachute, wears it to breakfast, and wears it out to play. His parachute makes him feel safe and secure. One day Toby is faced with a decision to give up his parachute to save someone else. Will Toby keep his parachute just in case he needs it, or will he give it to someone who needs it more?

**What if...?** by Anthony Browne: Going to a friend's house for the first time leaves Joe with a lot of questions, but the most important question is: Will Joe attend Tom's birthday party or will fear keep Joe at home?

**"I'm Not Scared!"** by Johnathan Allen: Owls are meant to stay up late, but will baby owl be able to stay awake all night without being afraid?

**Orion and the Dark** by Emma Yarlett: Orion has a big imagination which often leads him to imagine the scariest scenarios, especially at night. One night Orion is done being scared so he yells in frustration at the night to just go away! What happens next is nothing that Orion could have ever imagined - the dark comes alive!

**Bedtime Without Arthur** by Jessica Meserve: When Bella's bear, Arthur, is lost, the fear of never finding him brings Bella to tears. Will she make it through bedtime without Arthur? Will he ever be found? Check out this book to find out.

Reviewed by Haley Downer, Children's Assistant

Invasive Animal Species
By Bobbie Kalman

From Crabtree Publishing, as part of their Big Science Ideas series, comes *Invasive Animal Species* by Bobbie Kalman. This interesting book will show children how animals that are moved from one part of the world to another can cause harm to people, habitat, and other animals.

Kids will learn how, in Australia, rabbits are threatening one of Australia's native animals. Animals from different parts of the world may eat similar things to survive. When two species are forced to compete for resources, the results can be devastating. Sometimes animals arrive in another part of the world “by accident,” but others are introduced by humans. People who like to have exotic pets like pythons may find that the snake becomes too big and is hard to feed and handle. *Invasive Animal Species* illustrates and explains the python problem in Florida.

*Invasive Animal Species* includes a great summary titled, "What do you think?" to help children remember what they learned and to pose critical thinking questions. The book ends with a glossary and index for quick review of information.

Reviewed by Kim Angell, Children's Assistant

Other books by this author are available in our collection. Some suggested titles for further exploration are *Endangered Elephants* and *Endangered Leopards: Feral Pigs: Chomp, Chomp!* by Kevin Blake is another book in our collection that expands the topic of exotic invaders.

Yarn Creations

Wednesday, May 10 at 3:30 p.m.
Kendallville Public Library

Fairy Houses

Wednesday, May 17 at 3:30 p.m.
Kendallville Public Library

Bottle Cap Robots

Wednesday, May 17 at 3:30 p.m.
Kendallville Public Library

Monsters Makers

Tuesday, May 30 at 1:00 p.m.
Limberlost Branch Library

**Play, learn and earn* at our WordUP events!**

WordUP

*Each time you attend a WordUP event with your child (under age 5), you can earn a voucher for the BASE Store inside Life and Family Services*

Life and Family Services: Wednesday, May 3 at 10:30 a.m.

Carriage House Apartments: Wednesday, May 17 at 2:00 p.m.

Reviewed by Kim Angell, Children's Assistant
**May 2017**

at the Kendallville Public Library and its Limberlost Branch

**Infant/Toddler Programs**
- Preschool Play: 10:00 a.m.
- Explosion Experiment: 4:00 p.m.
  - Zumba with Maria Campos: 6:00 p.m.

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- Preschool Play: 10:00 a.m.
- Explosion Experiment: 4:00 p.m.
  - Zumba with Maria Campos: 6:00 p.m.

**Elementary Programs**
- Preschool Play: 10:00 a.m.
- Explosion Experiment: 4:00 p.m.
  - Zumba with Maria Campos: 6:00 p.m.

**Adult Programs**
- Library Closed for Memorial Day

**All Ages / Family Programs**

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*The age categories of the programs below represent a majority of the ages for which the event is intended. For specific age ranges for each event, please refer to the more detailed information found elsewhere in this newsletter.*
Can You Keep a Secret?
By R.L. Stine

Fear Street is back! The ever popular author of all things scary, R.L. Stine, has revived his Fear Street series for teenagers.

In this novel, Emmy and Eddy are high school sweethearts. While out at a bonfire one night with friends, they sneak away to carve their names into a tree in the woods. What they find in that tree changes their lives forever.

Held within that tree is a large sum of money. Emmy and Eddy agree to tell their friends about their find and eventually the group decides to leave the money in the tree until they can use it without fear of being caught. However, tragedy strikes Emmy’s family so she goes back to the tree to retrieve the cash. She finds that the money is missing. Did one of her best friends take the money without telling anyone? Or is something even more sinister happening in Shadyside, Ohio? Read this creepy tale to find out.

Readers of thrillers will enjoy this quickly paced story.

Read-a-like: The Unbecoming of Mara Dyer by Michelle Hodkin

Reviewed by Marie Kaufmann, Teen Services Manager

Hildafolk
By Luke Pearson

In this short graphic novel, Pearson tells the tale of a girl named Hilda. Hilda lives in a world full of whimsy and adventure. Hilda enjoys reading about the different varieties of local trolls and drawing in her sketchbook. Currently her most important duty in life is trying to stay out of trouble and harm’s way. One night, a bell’s ringing wakes Hilda and she goes on the adventure of a lifetime. Will Hilda successfully elude trouble or will trouble find her and follow her home?

Pearson’s palette is perfect for this story and he uses it to directly communicate the story’s unique mood to the reader. It’s a short story but one of depth if given a chance.

Readers of fantasy graphic novels will enjoy this tale.

Read-a-like: Bone Vol. 1 by Jeff Smith

Reviewed by Marie Kaufmann, Teen Services Manager
New Release Fiction:
16th Seduction by James Patterson
Against All Odds by Danielle Steel
Aunt Dorothea and the Widow’s Curse by Nancy Atherton
The Broken Road by Richard Paul Evans
Deadman Walking by Sherrilyn Kenyon
Dragon Teeth by Michael Crichton
Eleanor Oliphant Is Completely Fine by Gail Honeyman
Exit Strategy by Steve Hamilton
Fake Plastic Love by Kimberly Tait
The Fading by Eric Ludlum
The Frozen Hours by Jeff Shaara
Full Moon Rising by Lincoln Child
The Girl Who Knew Too Much by Amanda Quick
Heat Storm by Richard Castle
The Heir by Susan Rieger
A Kiss Before Dying by Rita Mae Brown
Into the Water by Paula Hawkins
It’s Always the Husband by Michelle Rebecca Campbell
The Light We Lost by Ali Santopolo
The Long Drop by Denise Mina
Marathon by Brian Freeman
Mother Land by Paul Theroux
New Boy by Tracy Chevalier
No Middle Name by Lee Child
Price of Duty by Dale Brown
Proving Ground by Peter Blauner
Robert B. Parker’s Little White Lies by Ace Atkins
Sabbath’s Day by Darin Green
Secrets in Summer by Nancy Thayer
Sharp Man by Alan Dore
Stirring the Pot by Erin Flynn
Testimony by Scott Turow
The Third by Jo Nesbo
Walking on My Grave by Carolyn Hart
White Fang by Jardine Libaire
Woman No. 17 by Edan Lepucki
You Will Pay by Lisa Jackson
You’ll Think of Me by Robin Lee Hatcher
The Woman Who Knew Too Much by Amanda Quick

New Large Print Fiction:
Eleanor Oliphant is Completely Fine by Gail Honeyman
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New Release Movies:
The Comedian
A Dog’s Purpose
Extortion
Fifty Shades Darker
Gold
The Redincess: Evil The Final Chapter
The Resurrection of Gavin Stone
The Salesman

TV Series on DVD:
The Affair: Season 3
Cal the Midwife: Season 6
Divorce
Fresh Prince of Bel Air: All Seasons
Friends: All Seasons
The Last Kingdom: Season 2
The Last Ship: Season 3
Major Crimes: Season 5
Night Shift: Season 1
Orange is the New Black: Season 1
Orange is the New Black: Season 2

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The Broken Road by Richard Paul Evans
Oath of Honor: A Thriller by Matthew Betley
Exit West by Mohsin Hamid
The Marriage Lie by Kimberly Belle
Ginny Moon by Benjamin L. Lulegg
What Makes a Family by Colleen Faulkner
Dark at the Crossing by Elliott Ackerman
The Jersey Brothers: A Missing Man Officer in the Pacific and His Family’s Quest to Bring Him Home by Sally Mott Freeman
The Delight of Being Ordinary: A Road Trip with the Pope and the Dalai Lama by Roland Merullo
The Perfect Stranger by Megan Miranda
Any Day Now by Robyn Carr
Miss Treadway and the Field of Stars by Dorothea Benton Clark
Against All Odds by Danielle Steel
A Mother’s Love by Charlotte Hubbard
A Stolen Heart by Mary Higgins Clark
A Churn for the Worse by Laura Bradford
A Stolen Heart by Amanda Cabot
A Tree Grows in Brooklyn by Betty Smith
A Tree Grows in Brooklyn by Betty Smith
The Unseen by Anna Mazzola
A House Divided by Laura Bradford
Huck Out West by Robert Coover
Priscilla’s Reveille by Erica Velich
Huck Out West by Robert Coover
A Mother’s Love by Charlotte Hubbard
Riding with the Devil’s Mistress by Peter Brandvold
Triple Play by James D. Crownover
Playaways: Against All Odds by Danielle Steel
All By Myself, Alone by Nancy Thayer
Bearheart by Fredric Backman
The Dead Zone by Stephen King
The Fix by David Baldacci
Into the Water by Paula Hawkins

Concrete
Tuesday, May 23 at 6:00 p.m.
Kendallville Public Library
Free Event - Registration Required: Adults Age 18+
The 2017 Summer Adventure begins June 1!

Coming up this summer at the Kendallville Public Library:

**Bi-Okoto Drum and Dance Theatre on Friday, June 2 at 2:00 p.m. - Kendallville**

The Bi-Okoto Drum and Dance Theatre presents “Come Follow Me To Afrika.” Their mission is to preserve, promote and share the rich cultural heritage of Africa and Africans using drums, music, dance, food, languages and other arts.

**Adult Trivia Night on Tuesday, June 15 at 6:00 p.m. - Kendallville**

Come test your skills at this adult Trivia Night event! Our trivia host, Tony Vining, will lead teams of 4 to 6 people in a series of questions. The winning team receives a gift card! We’ll have snacks and drinks available. Everything is free!

**Hungrytown on Thursday, June 29 at 6:00 p.m. - Kendallville**

Rebecca Hall and Ken Anderson - otherwise known as the folk duo Hungrytown - have earned a reputation for the quality and authenticity of their songwriting. Preview some of their songs at www.hungrytown.net.