KPL is getting artsy!
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Kendallville Public Library Art Expo
Coming April 17

The Kendallville Public Library's Art Expo on Friday, April 17 from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. is a perfect place for local artisans to share their talent. Artists can display and sell their pieces, offer demonstrations for the public and make connections with other artists. Artists' participation in the Art Expo is free. Artists who are interested in participating can fill out an application online at www.kendallvillelibrary.org. The library will consider anyone proficient in these arts, which include, but are not limited to: painting, pottery, glass art, sculptors, carvers, photography, quilting and airbrushing. The deadline to complete an application is Friday, April 10.

Amateur artists can participate in the event, too, by submitting an art piece of their choice for a People's Choice vote. The voting will be broken down into three age groups: Children through Grade 6, Grades 7-12 and Adult. The top winner in each age group will receive a $20 gift certificate to United Art and Education. All art pieces must be dropped off at the Kendallville Public Library between Monday, April 13 and Thursday, April 16 at 12:00 p.m.

Staff Spotlight:
Mary Millus

By the time Mary Millus graduates with a BS in Human Services this fall, she will have a lot of experience working with the public.

Mary is the Limberlost Public Library's newest hire. She is a clerk, and her primary responsibility is working the Circulation Desk.

“I enjoy working with the public,” said Mary. “I thought this would be a great opportunity to do so.”

When she's not at the library or taking classes at Indiana Tech, Mary might be soldering circuit boards for a family business, reading or watching football. Spending time with her family is important to her, too. Mary has four children, ranging in age from 10 to 22. She also has two stepsons, ages 24 and 21.

The staff is glad to have her on board! The next time you are in Rome City, be sure to stop by the Limberlost Public Library and welcome Mary.
New Subjects Added to ScienceFlix!

ScienceFlix, the Kendallville Public Library's online science database, has expanded.

Eight units have been added to this service, including Oceans of the World, Volcanoes, Conservation, Endangered Species, Plant Kingdom, Exercise and Fitness, Alternative Energy, and Inventors and Inventions.

These additions increase the areas of study by more than 25%. Now, students in grades 4 through 9 can choose from 38 scientific topics. Each topic features:

- Videos to introduce the subject and build background knowledge
- Lead Articles to build content-area knowledge
- Dive Deeper Articles to encourage a deeper level of understanding
- Inquiry Questions to develop students' ability to cite specific text evidence and support scientific analysis
- Project Ideas to integrate quantitative or technical information
- Experiments to develop a student's ability to follow multi-step procedures
- Quizzes to assess students' understanding of each of the 30 units
- Featured Careers to inspire budding scientists and provide typical career maps for each job opportunity.

ScienceFlix is available online inside the library or remotely at www.kendallvillelibrary.org. It combines curriculum-driven leveled content, interactive features, and intuitive navigation into a single, highly-engaging digital resource geared toward students in grades 4 through 9. Patrons using ScienceFlix outside the library will simply need to log in with their Kendallville Public Library card number, which begins with 27516.

Want to Volunteer? Now is the Time!

The Kendallville Public Library Adult Services Department is looking for a few weekly volunteers to read and organize our bookshelves during a regular schedule of at least three hours per week.

For this volunteer position, you must have knowledge of the Dewey Decimal System, understand how to alphabetize by author, be able to lift at least 10 pounds and push at least 20 pounds. You will be bending, sitting, kneeling or stooping for consecutive periods of time. If you enjoy consistency and repetitive motions and tasks, then this is the volunteer opportunity you've been waiting for!

The Adult Services Department is also looking for workshop volunteers to demonstrate their talents in these areas:

- Faux painting (room walls)
- Furniture painting
- Recycle art
- Dancing
- Ham radio
- Survival skills

Volunteer applications are available online at www.kendallvillelibrary.org or at the Kendallville and Limberlost Public Library buildings. Have questions about volunteering? Email us at info@kendallvillelibrary.org.

Psst...volunteering is great for retirees who want to keep busy, and looks good on college and scholarship applications, too!
Top Picture Books at KPL for 2014

What’s hot in the KPL Children’s Department? Picture Books. What are your favorites? Comment on Facebook at www.facebook.com/kendallvillepubliclibrary or tweet us @kvillelibrary. Here are the top picture books that circulated at KPL for 2014. We had a lot of ties!

1. **Open Very Carefully** by Nick Bromley
   *I'm a Frog* by Mo Willems

2. **Pete the Cat and His Four Groovy Buttons** by Eric Litwin
   *Meet Me at the Moon* by Gianna Marino

3. **One More Sheep** by Mij Kelly

4. **The Girl Who Wouldn’t Brush Her Hair** by Kate Bernheimer
   *Because I Stubbed My Toe* by Shawn Byous
   **Pete the Cat** by Eric Litwin
   *Be Yourself* by Charles Schulz
   *That is Not a Good Idea* by Mo Willems
   *Because I’m Your Dad* by Ahmet Zappa
   **Pajama Time** by Sandra Boynton
   *The Day the Crayons Quit* by Drew Dewalt
   *Little Pink Pup* by Johanna Kerby
   **Fancy Nancy and the Mermaid Ballet** by Jane O’Connor

5. **Unicorn Thinks He’s Pretty Great** by Bob Shea
   *Moo, Quack, Roar, and More* illustrated by Jonathan Miller
   **A Fish out of Water** by Helen Palmer

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**The Adventures of Beekle: The Unimaginary Friend**
Written and illustrated by Dan Santat

Our story begins on an island, a place where imaginary friends are created and where they stay until a child imagines them. Every night our unnamed character waits while other creatures are imagined and given a name but nothing happens. He is never imagined. So, after many nights, he does the unimaginable and travels to the real world in search of a friend. Check this book out today and follow this little fellow on his quest for friendship.

I first saw Santat’s illustrations last summer and was immediately impressed. His work is different from the many pastel color palettes we often see in children’s picture books. I was of course thrilled to hear this book won the 2014 Caldecott medal. This medal recognizes the preceding year’s "most distinguished American picture book for children". At the end of the book **spoiler alert** the main character finds a friend and is named Beekle. I was drawn to this book because at first glance his appearance looks a lot like an adipose from Doctor Who and I am a big Doctor Who fan. Basically Beekle is a squishy marshmallow-esque creature with a golden paper crown on his head...it’s adorable. After I read the story I only loved it more. It’s whimsical and perfect for children who have had an imaginary friend or for children who struggle to make friends.

Reviewed by Haley Downer, LPL Children’s Assistant
Preschool Programs in March:

Check the calendar on the next pages for information about Preschool Class (ages 2-6), Book Buddies (ages 3-6) Toddler Time (ages 2-5) and Wiggle Giggle (all ages)!
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The Juvie Three
By Gordon Korman

Gecko, Terence, and Arjay’s luck changes when one man, named Mr. Healy, puts all his heart and soul into developing an experimental halfway house program. This program allows troubled teens to get a second chance at life outside of their juvenile detention centers.

This book provides a glimpse of how teens can change their path in life if someone truly believes in them. I was definitely shocked after reading about what happened to Mr. Healy, causing the boys to face the biggest temptation of their lives! It was also interesting to see how the three boys set their differences aside in order to work as a team to fix the mess they started in the first place. I thought it was really cool how - in a good way - the author used the character’s expertise from their original crimes to help them get out of a major bind that could have ended their freedom all together.

I love the extra snapshots the author adds to the story about the boys’ personal experiences, like the fact that one boy finds love, another discovers he could possibly become a rock star and the third is tempted to go back to his original ways of being a gangster when he meets a new “so-called” friend.

Read The Juvie Three to discover what happens as the three troubled teens come face to face with reality and get a second chance at life.

Reviewed by Kiaya Martin, LPL Teen Clerk

I Am Scout: The Biography of Harper Lee
By Charles J. Shields

To Kill a Mockingbird: brilliantly penned, thought inducing...an instant classic. However, Harper Lee never wrote another book until now (Go Set a Watchman by Harper Lee is set for release July 14, 2015). Why did it take her so long? The answer is complicated. In I Am Scout, Charles J. Shields skillfully paints a picture of Nelle Harper Lee. From childhood to her older years, Shields brings us along for the journey of Lee’s life. He also gives us insight into what urged her to write and why she stopped writing for so many years.

Reviewed by Rose Benjamin, Teen Assistant

Share Your Art!
See details about the library’s upcoming amateur art contest on Page 2.
For Gamers at the Kendallville Public Library

**Minecraft Mania!**

**Cardfight Saturdays**

- **Thursdays at 4:00 p.m.**
  - Build your world and try to survive!
  - Bring your device, or use one of ours.
- ** Saturdays at 10:00 a.m.**
  - Choose Your Games:
    - Yu-Gi-Oh: $5 fee (includes cards)
    - Vanguard: $3 fee (bring your cards)
Adult Programs and Services

Monday Morning Coupon Clippers on Mondays, March 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30
10:00 a.m. at the Limberlost Public Library

American Sign Language Classes on Tuesdays, March 3, 10, 17, 24 & 31
6:00 p.m. at the Kendallville Public Library

Creative Writing on Tuesdays, March 3, 10, 17, 24 & 31
6:00 p.m. at the Kendallville Public Library

Zumba Gold on Tuesdays and Thursdays, March 3, 5, 10, 12, 17, 19, 24, 26 & 31
10:00 a.m. at the Limberlost Public Library

Book a Librarian on Thursdays, March 5 & 19
2:00 to 5:00 p.m. at the Limberlost Public Library

iPad App Pack on Thursdays, March 5, 12, 19 & 26
7:00 p.m. at the Kendallville Public Library

Windows 8.1 Workshop (with a preview of 10) on Wednesday, March 18
6:00 p.m. at the Kendallville Public Library ($10 fee)

Novel Conversations: *Still Alice* by Lisa Genova
Thursday, March 26 at 6:30 p.m. at Joanna’s Dealicious Treats

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**Murder Mystery Dinner Theatre**

Your story begins in the Enchanted Realm, where happy endings have now turned into nightmares. Who will make it out of the Dark Castle alive?

**Friday, March 27 at 7:00 p.m.**
**Kendallville Public Library**

$5 Registration Fee • Open to Ages 13 and Up
Pay and Select a Character at the Adult Reference Desk
Potluck Dinner • Bring a side dish to share!
New Adult Books Coming to KPL in March

- The Angel Court Affair by Anne Perry
- The Assassin by Clive Cussler
- At the Water’s Edge by Sara Gruen
- The Cavendon Women by Barbara Taylor Bradford
- Cold Betrayal by J.A. Jance
- Cuba Straights by Randy Wayne White
- A Dangerous Place by Jacqueline Winspear
- Daughter of the Regiment by Stephanie Grace Whitson
- The Dead Play On by Heather Graham
- The Decision by Wanda Brustetter
- The Edge of Dreams by Rhys Bowen
- Endangered by C.J. Box
- A Harvest of Hope by Lauraine Snelling
- Host by Robin Cook
- Inspector of the Dead by David Morrell
- Last One Home by Debbie Macomber
- The Love Letters by Beverly Lewis
- Madness in Solidar by L.E. Modesitt
- Mrs. Grant and Madame Jule by Jennifer Chiaverini
- NYPD Red 3 by James Patterson
- The Patriot Threat by Steve Berry
- Remnants: Season of Fire by Lisa Tawn Bergren
- The Shadows by J.R. Ward
- The Stranger by Harlan Coben
- Vengeance of the Iron Dwarf by R.A. Salvatore
- When Grace Sings by Kim Vogel Sawyer
- World Gone By by Dennis Lehane

March DVD Releases:

- Annie
- The Captive
- Dracula Untold
- Dumb and Dumber To
- Exodus: Gods and Kings
- Foxcatcher
- The Hobbit: Battle of the Five Armies
- The Imitation Game
- Interstellar
- Mockingjay: Part 1
- Night at the Museum: Secret of the Tomb
- Nightcrawler
- Penguins of Madagascar
- The Theory of Everything
- Top Five

Captured in Time
Celebrate Women’s History Month with a Time Capsule Workshop.
Monday, March 30
6:00 p.m.
Kendalville Public Library

Bring letters, photos or some of your favorite things.
Open to Women Ages 16 and Up
55 Registration Fee required.
Register by March 25

Reading is SNOW Cool!
Adult Winter Reading Program
January 5 - March 7

You still have a tiny bit of time left for a chance to win a Kindle Fire! Pick up a reading record bookmark, read at least one book and record it on your bookmark. To earn a second chance at the Kindle Fire, write a short description of your favorite winter memory. We’re giving away additional prizes when you turn in your bookmarks, so read and reap the rewards!
Paint on Slate with Carl Mosher
Wednesday, March 25 from 10:00 am. to 1:30 p.m.
Master your paint skills with local artist Carl Mosher in this 3-hour painting class.
We will paint the cardinal and flowers you see on the left.
It may look difficult, but Carl makes it easy! A $20 fee is required at registration (includes all supplies) and can be paid by cash, check or credit card via PayPal.
We will take a short lunch break, so bring a sack lunch to the class.

Creative Canvas Workshop with Carl Mosher
Wednesday, April 29
10:00 am. to 1:30 p.m.
From start to finish, explore the joy of painting through simple techniques to create Carl Mosher’s "Windmill of Sunflower Field". This painting workshop is for adults age 18 and older. Bring a sack lunch to eat during a half hour lunch break. There is a $20 fee for this class, and includes all supplies. The library accepts cash, check and credit card via PayPal. Your registration is not considered complete without payment received. Space is limited.