Board Closes Library to Slow Spread of COVID-19

The Kendallville Public Library and its Limberlost Branch in Rome City have closed for an undetermined amount of time, with plans to re-evaluate the COVID-19 situation on April 3. At that time, the Kendallville Public Library Board of Trustees will either allow the library to open, choose to remain closed, or opt to offer limited services. Before the closure, all due dates were extended until Monday, April 20.

While the library is closed, there are still a few services to which you have access:

- **WiFi**: Our WiFi reaches out well into our parking lot, so you are welcome to come to our parking lot, sit in your car and access the WiFi. There is no password or network key needed.
- **OverDrive**: OverDrive offers eBooks and eAudiobooks for all ages. All you need is your library card number and a smartphone/computer to access it from our website at www.kendallvillelibrary.org, or the OverDrive or Libby apps.
- **TumbleBooks**: These online storybooks for children are available on our website at www.kendallvillelibrary.org.
- **eSebco**: Offers non-fiction children's books. You can login for free using KPL and the password: books.
- **Creativebug**: Get creative at home, often with items you already have on hand! Using your library card number, log into Creativebug from our website at www.kendallvillelibrary.org. Watch hundreds of brief how-to classes on a variety of maker projects.
- **KPL Connect**: Want to learn something new? KPL Connect offers quite a few tutorial videos, on everything from using your Evergreen Indiana account to getting started on Facebook and using the OverDrive apps. KPL Connect is available online at www.kendallvillelibrary.org.
- **Book Drop**: Our book drops at both locations will still be open while the library is closed. Please don’t put special items, like mobile hotspots, in the book drop. Also, don’t leave large items outside of the book drop. We ask that you hang onto those items until the library opens once again. All materials returned in the book drop will be quarantined for four days before being checked in, cleaned and reshelved.

Though staff are not available by phone during the closure, we will be available online to assist any of our patrons. For general questions or comments, email info@kendallvillelibrary.org. To reach Youth Services, contact manager Beth Munk at bmunk@kendallvillelibrary.org. The Adult Services Department is available by emailing manager Leah Dresser at ldresser@kendallvillelibrary.org.

This was a difficult decision for the board, one that Acting President Linda Routsong, who had been a nurse for 30 years, struggled with.

“I love the library. I would hate to see we have to close,” said Routsong. But, she’s realistic. “Not everybody is going to use good infection control practices. They’re just not going to do it.”

“That concerns me.”

“There’s just so much unknown, and that’s the scary part,” said board member Jo Drudge.

The Board’s decision will make sure the library does its part to slow the spread of the virus, and protect those most susceptible to complications from COVID-19. All library staff will continue to be paid during the closure, and the board has agreed to allow small numbers of staff in the library to complete necessary work.

“We are incredibly sad that we have to close,” said Library Director Katie Mullins. “Our mission is to provide access to information for life, and this situation has made that difficult to do.”

We appreciate your patience and support during this difficult time. Our staff misses our patrons when we are closed!
Event/Room Reservation Software Update:

New Event and Room Reservation Management software is being implemented at the Kendallville Public Library, and once the library is open for business again, you’ll be able to start using it! During the time that the library is closed, we will not be accepting any room reservations through our online system. If you do want to request a meeting room while we are out of service, please email info@kendallvillelibrary.org. We’ll enter the information into the new system in the order it was received, though we can’t guarantee requests will be fulfilled as there may already be an existing reservation. If you do want to make a request via email, please include your name, phone number, email (if available), reason for using the space, the expected number of attendees and the space you’re requesting (if known). We’ll get in touch as soon as we can with information about your request.

We can get you a library card…right now!

If you find yourself in need of something to read or listen while the library is closed, but (gasp!) you don’t have a library card, we can take care of that. Simply go to www.kendallvillelibrary.org. You might have to scroll down a little, but you’ll find the link on the left side that reads, “Want to apply for a library card? Start here.” Click that, and fill out the information requested. If you are in our library district (Kendallville, Rome City, Orange and Wayne Townships) and eligible for a card, we’ll call you ASAP with a library card number. The card will be valid through April 30.

To fully activate the card, stop into the library when we reopen, show us your photo ID, and we’ll make it valid for a full two years. Need to renew your library card? Send an email to info@kendallvillelibrary.org, and we’ll also make sure your card stays valid through April 30. Stop in the library when we re-open to verify your information for a full renewal.

Community Read + Family Events

Many of us can probably relate to the Indiana Humanities selected story for 2020’s One State/One Story Community Read. The Year We Left Home by Jean Thompson offers a sweeping, multigenerational look at life in the Midwest over the past several decades. The story follows the Erickson family through the many changes affecting American life at the end of the 20th century, asking readers to consider the enduring, uniting power of place—why we choose to leave and when we decide to come home.

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**Early Childhood Programs**
*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.*

**Elementary Programs**

- **M.A.P.S. Workshop**
  - 10:00 a.m. - KPL
  - DIY Punny Planters - 1:00 p.m. - KPL
  - Chocolate Chip Cookies - 4:00 p.m. - KPL

**Teen Programs**

- Flow Yoga
  - 10:00 a.m. - KPL
  - Brittany's Book Club: The Chain
    - 1:00 p.m. - LB
- Rambling Rocks
  - 4:00 p.m. - KPL
- Sensory Storytime
  - 6:00 p.m. - KPL
- Flow Yoga - 6:00 p.m. - KPL

**Adult Programs**

- Yoga for Beginners
  - 10:00 a.m. - LB
- Friends of the Library Book Sale: Members Only
  - 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. - LB
- BINGO - 6:00 p.m. - KPL

**All Ages / Family Programs**

- Preschool Play
  - 10:00 a.m. - LB
  - BINGO - 1:00 p.m. - KPL
- M.A.P.S. Workshop
  - 10:00 a.m. - KPL
  - Creative Canvas with Carl Mosher
    - Techniques Class
      - 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. - LB
- Clay Pot Gnomes
  - 4:00 p.m. - KPL
- Flow Yoga
  - 10:00 a.m. - KPL
- Friends of the Library Book Sale: Public Welcome
  - 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. - LB
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**Dungeons and Dragons**

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**Additional Events**

- **Cardfight Saturdays**
  - 10:00 a.m. - KPL
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- **Friends of the Library Book Sale:**
  - Public Welcome
    - 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. - LB
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- **Good Friday**
  - Library Closed

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**Notes:**

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**Library Locations:**

- **KPL:** Kendallville Public Library
- **LB:** Limberlost Branch

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**Additional Information:**

- **Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday**
- **May 1**
- **May 2**
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Even while the library is closed, the Adventure Walk is open!
During April in Kendallville & Rome City, walk and read Now You Know: How It Works, a Scholastic book.
The Adventure Walk begins at the front of the Kendallville Public Library in Kendallville, and at Grant Park in Rome City.


Beginners Yoga:
An introduction to flow yoga and common poses.
Thursday, April 30 at 10:00 a.m.
Limbolost Branch
Flow Yoga:
Fluid movement through common poses.
Wednesday, April 29 at 6:00 p.m.
Kendallville

Please bring a mat, if you have one.

Open to Adults Age 18+ • Choose any or all classes
Register online at www.kendallvillelibrary.org or by calling 343-2010

Cardfight Saturday!
Saturdays at 10:00 a.m.
Kendallville Public Library
Choose Your Game:
Yu-Gi-Oh: $5 Fee (Includes Cards)
Vanguard: $3 Fee (Bring Cards)

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Adult Events & Services

Yoga with Brittany Mazzola

Creative Canvas Workshop with Carol Mosher
MOTHER'S DAY BUTTON CRAFT

DIY PUNNY PLANTERS

BINGO

Walk Around the Lake
Take a stroll around Bixel Lake with Brittany & Leahl!
Tuesday, April 21 at 10:00 a.m.
Kendallville Public Library
Meet at the Fregance Area in the Library

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New Release Fiction:
A Beautiful Arrangement by Beth Wiseman
The Book of Longings by Sue Monk Kidd
The Book of Lost Friends by Lisa Wingate
Broken by Don Winslow
Camino Winds by John Grisham
Chosen Ones by Veronica Roth
Dead Land by Sara Paretsky
Deep in the Alaskan Woods by Karen Harper
A Duke by Any Other Name by Grace Burrowes
The English Daughter by Cindy Woodsmall
Fake Truth by Lee Goldberg
Final Judgement by Marcia Clark
First Comes Scandal by Julia Quinn
The Happy Ever After Playlist by Abby Jimenez
Have You Seen Me? by Kate White
He Started It by Samantha Downing
Heiress for Hire by Madeline Hunter
Hidden Salem by Kay Hooper
Kept Animals by Kate Millicken
Masked Prey by John Sandford
Miss Julia Knows a Thing or Two by John Sandford
The Moment of Tenderness by Madeleine L’Engle
The New Husband by D.J. Palmer
Not That Kind of Guy by Andie J. Christopher
One Fatal Flaw by Anne Perry
One Perfect Summer by Brenda Novak
Pretty Things by Janelle Brown
Redhead by the Side of the Road by Anne Tyler
Revenge by James Patterson
Sunrise on Half Moon Bay by Robyn Carr
The Talented Mr. Varg by Alexander McCall Smith
The Third Sister by Sara Blaedel
Walk the Wire by David Baldacci
The Wedding Dress by Danielle Steel
You Deserve Each Other by Sarah Hogle
You Let Me In by Camilla Bruce
TV Series on DVD:
Criminal Minds (Final Season)
Righteous Gemstones (Season 1)
Shameless (Season 10)
Unexplained (Season 1)
New Release Non-Fiction:
100 Techniques by America’s Test Kitchen
About Your Father and Other Celebrities I Have Known by Peggy Rowe
Buck Naked Kitchen by Kirsten Buck
The Complete Summer Cookbook by America’s Test Kitchen
Cooking for a Fast Metabolism by Haylie Pomroy
Everything Beautiful in Its Time by Jenna Bush Hager
The House of Kennedy by James Patterson
Joy at Work by Marie Kondo
Laughter Yoga by Madan Kataria
Magnolia Table by Joanna Gaines
Master the SAT 2020 by Peterson’s
Mastering the Process by Elizabeth George
Me & Patsy Kickin’ Up Dust by Loretta Lynn
My Korea by Hooni Kim
Navigate Your Stars by Jesmyn Ward
Peterson Field Guide to Birds of North America by Roger Tory Peterson
Rand McNally 2021 Road Atlas by Rand McNally
Ripley’s Believe It or Not! by Ripley’s Believe It or Not!
A Very Punachable Face by Colin Jost
The Wellness Remodel by Christina Anstead
Audiobooks on CD:
American Dirt by Jeanine Cummins
Ask Again, Yes by Mary Beth Keane
Big Lies in a Small Town by Diane Chamberlain
The Dearly Beloved by Cara Wall
The Dutch House by Ann Patchett
Finding Chika by Mitch Albom
This Tender Land by William Kent Krueger
The Water Dancer by Ta-Nehisi Coates
The Wedding Dress by Danielle Steel
Whisper Network by Chandler Baker
New Movies:
The Assistant
Bottled with Love (Hallmark)
Final Kill
The Gentlemen
I Am Human
IP Man 4: The Finale
The Last Full Measure
Like a Boss
Looking for Alaska
The Night Clerk
Romantic Comedy
Winter Love Story (Hallmark)
A Winter Princess (Hallmark)
Witness to Murder: A Darrow Mystery (Hallmark)
World on Fire (PBS Masterpiece)