With upgrades to many of our online systems, options to bundle existing services to make your library experience more efficient, and added savings around town, this spring is going to be epic at the Kendallville Public Library!
Book Bundles offer:
- Fabric Basket (Creativebug)
- Personalized service from library staff.
- Help when you just don’t know what to read next.
- Bundles available as often as you want them.

Both of these services are great individually, but together they equal a whole new library experience.

Much like the headaches of roadwork, it will all be worth it in the end! In addition to a fresh, new look, it will be easier to reserve a meeting space, more user-friendly to find an event you’re looking for and a snap to get reminders for both. The changes are coming by the end of this month.

Once the new service is established, we’ll create some brief how-to videos to introduce you, so look for those to be available by late March.

There are always things to do at your library!

Free Make & Take Projects:
- Embroidered Notebook: March 2 - March 14
- Fabric Basket (Creativebug): March 16 - March 28
- Glass Magnets: March 30 - April 11

Adventure Walk: During March in Kendallville & Rome City, read Dogs in Disguise by Catherine Veitch. The Adventure Walk begins at the front of the Kendallville Public Library in Kendallville, and at Grant Park in Rome City.

Children’s Play Area: March @ KPL: What’s Cookin’ in the Kitchen? March @ Limberlost Branch: Pretend You’re a Pirate!

Tech updates at KPL:
- Creativebug in The Cortex: We’ve now added a large TV screen in The Cortex so you can experience Creativebug classes right in our creative space! Stop in to browse through and stream your favorite project videos.
- Wireless Printing Now Available: Wireless printing is now available in Kendallville. Just email your documents to print@richpreinctloud.com. You’ll receive a release code in a reply email. Stop by our public copier to pay and print! Want some help walking through the process for the first time? A staff member will be happy to assist you.

Savings All Year Long!
Remember, savings that started during Library Lovers Month in February run all year long just by showing your library card at the following local merchants:
- Unwind Day Spa and Nail Bar: 10% off any service
- Pizza Forum: free breadsticks with the purchase of any XL pizza
- K&L Tool and Supply: free gift with any purchase
- PMC Computers & Surveillance: 10% off annual computer service
- Junior’s Place Barber Shop: $2.00 off any service and/or product
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More Options to Manage your eBook Holds!
Rather than checking out automatically, you will now receive an alert when your item is ready for download. Within 3 days, you can choose to download the item, or “deliver later” and set the time period to suspend your hold if you can’t read it right away. That will allow the item to go to the next person on the list.

Foreign Films @ KPL
Our Foreign Films collection is one of the newest at the Kendallville Public Library, and thanks to your suggestions, it’s growing! Here are some of the titles available:
- Paradise Now
- The Foreigner
- Force Majeure
- Iron Monkey
- Last Men in Aleppo
- Let the Sunshine In
- The Man from Nowhere
- Neighboring Sounds
- Once Upon a Time in China
- Phoenix
- Right Now Wrong Then

It's Time for a Software Change! What You Need to Know...
As we mentioned last month, a new Event and Room Reservation Management System is coming that will streamline the process of signing up for a library event, or reserving a space for your meeting or party.

Before things get better, there will be some bumps in the road. For a short period of time in March, the Kendallville Public Library and its Limberlost Branch will not be able to accept new reservations for meeting spaces, and may not be able to sign you up for all upcoming library events. At the time this newsletter was released, we didn’t have an exact timeline for this, but we’ll keep you posted on the library’s website and social media once the time frame has been established.

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Activities for Kids
Birth - Grade 5

Entries Due: Friday, March 20

The Kleiman Creative Writing Contest for 4th, 5th, & 6th graders is about to wrap up! Students are encouraged to write and illustrate a book to be entered in the contest. The entries will be judged, and prizes will be awarded to the top books in each category.

All participants will be recognized at an Awards Banquet on April 16th. The special guest speaker will be graphic novel illustrator Rafael Rosado! Invitations to students and their families will be sent out soon. Banquet registration information, including cost and deadlines, will be included in the invitations.

Don’t Be Sad, Sam: It’s OK
By Lisa Regan

Like a lot of us, Sam sometimes feels sad or upset. He isn’t sure how to make himself feel better. Explore with your child how Sam can make happy and brave choices. You Choose books provide excellent teaching moments between parent and child. They illustrate that everyone has choices to make throughout the day, and you always have the opportunity to choose the right thing. Help Sam make those right choices!

Curriculum Connections:
Cause and effect • Family structures • Making comparisons • Predicting outcomes • Problem solving

ART EXPLOSION!
Wednesday, March 7
1:00 p.m.
Kendallville Public Library

Bring art to life in a pop-up book!

FINGERPRINT ART MAGNETS
Wednesday, March 11
1:00 p.m.
Kendallville Public Library

Turn artwork into a magnet!

LEPRECHAUN SLIME
Wednesday, March 12
4:00 p.m.
Limberlost Branch Library

Explore slime with a special guest speaker!

Turtle Weaving
Wednesday, March 25
1:00 p.m.
Kendallville Public Library

Weaving with wood and yarn!

FAIRY GARDEN IN A JAR
Wednesday, April 1
1:00 p.m.
Kendallville Public Library

A tiny home for a tiny fairy!

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Layoverland
By Gabby Noone
Reviewed by Stephenie Dijkstra, Youth Services Librarian

After Bea Fox is killed in a car accident, she wakes up in an airplane headed to Layoverland, also known as purgatory. Layoverland is for people who died still harboring secrets and who must work their way out to make it to the Pearly Gates. As for Bea, she is recruited by the Memory Experience Department and must help 5,000 trapped souls before she can move on.

When she is paired with Caleb, the boy who caused the accident and both of their deaths, she struggles to help him move on. He doomed her to this fate of eating bad airport food and listening to other people’s problems, so why should she help his soul?

This is a coming-of-age story with elements of both fantasy and comedy, perfect for fans of The Good Place.

Read-a-like: The Afterlife of Holly Chase by Cynthia Hand

Ashlords
By Scott Reintgen
Reviewed by Stephenie Dijkstra, Youth Services Librarian

Every year in the Empire, the Ashlords hold a multi-day event of elite racers and phoenixes. In this story, phoenixes are horses made of ash and alchemy that rise in the dawn, only to die in flames each night. The races go beyond the ability of the racer and the phoenix; they include sabotage between racers, and magic added to the ashes from which the phoenixes rise.

This story is told through the alternating points-of-view of Imelda, Pippa, and Adrian. Imelda is a scholarship entrant to the race known for her skills in alchemy. Pippa is the daughter of a previous champion of The Races, and Adrian is a cowboy from a group of revolutionaries. In a field of 11 racers, will one of these three be crowned victorious?

Ashlords is a fast-paced read with extensive worldbuilding and competition sequences.

Read-a-like: The Scorpio Races by Maggie Stiefvater

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Check out Cataloged Conversations through iTunes, SoundCloud, or your favorite podcast app. Subscribe to be one of the first to hear each new podcast we publish!
New Yoga Classes Planned for April

Beginners Yoga: An introduction to flow yoga and common poses.
- Wednesday, April 8 at 9:30 a.m. - Kendallville
- Monday, April 13 at 6:00 p.m. - Kendallville
- Thursday, April 30 at 10:00 a.m. - Limberlost

Flow Yoga: Fluid movement through common poses.
- Thursday, April 2 at 10:00 a.m. - Kendallville
- Friday, April 17 at 11:30 a.m. - Kendallville

Fast-Paced Yoga: Build on the basics and focus on connecting breath to movement in an upbeat pace.
- Wednesday, April 22 at 9:30 a.m. - Kendallville
- Monday, April 27 at 6:00 p.m. - Kendallville

**Silhouette Cameo Classes**

Try out the Silhouette Cameo (similar to a Cricut) at the Limberlost Branch in April!
We have two free, guided classes to get you started.

**Monogrammed Tumbler**
Wednesday, April 15 at 10:00 a.m.

**Custom T-Shirt**
Thursday, April 23 at 6:00 p.m.

Register at www.kendallvillelibrary.org, or by calling the Limberlost Branch at 854-2775.

**CREATIVE CANVAS WORKSHOP WITH CARL MOSHER**

**MARCH: TECHNIQUE CLASS**

**MONDAY, MARCH 23 FROM 5:30 TO 8:30 PM**
**LIMBERLOST BRANCH LIBRARY**

$20 FEE - PAYABLE TO CARL AT THE CLASS
REGISTER AT 260-854-2775