Spring arrives this month!

We have the resources to help you cultivate your garden*and sprout new ideas!**

* See Chalkboard Herb Pot (page 2) in The Cortex from March 20-April 1. Or, check out our Plants section in the library for gardening information.

**Pick any of our activities! Really, any of them. They’re all designed for fun, but most provide a forum to learn new things and get creativity flowing.
Writing Contest Entries Due by March 17

All entries in the 18th Annual Kleiman Creative Writing Contest are due to the Kendallville Public Library or its Limberlost Branch by Friday, March 17 at 6:00 p.m.

Once received, each book written and illustrated by 4th, 5th and 6th grade students will be judged and then bound to become a keepsake for the author. They will receive those books back at the Awards Banquet, planned for Thursday, April 27 at the Kendallville Event Center.

J. Scott Savage, author of 17 published novels including the *Case File 13* series, will be the guest speaker at the banquet. The cost for student meals, one guest, and teacher meals will be underwritten by the Kleiman family. All contest participants will be recognized, and top prizes will be awarded in each grade level and category.

Sign Up for Text Reminders of Children’s Events

We have some pretty amazing events for kids at our libraries, and we don’t want you to miss a thing!

Text the number

to receive text reminders for specific age groups, follow the instructions to the left.

With the message

We’ll send you a text message on Sunday afternoons to get you ready for the events coming that week.

Standard messaging rates may apply.

Upcoming Make & Take Projects:

- **Continues through March 4:** Come in, grab a canvas, and create Geometric Shape Art. We’ll provide all the supplies, like canvas, glue, paper, shape punches, the die-cut and more. You just need to be creative.

- **March 6 through March 18:** Create a personalized notebook! Ever used a comb binder? Use ours in The Cortex to make your custom-designed 30-page notebook.

- **March 20 through April 1:** Get your garden ready with Chalkboard Herb Pots. We’ll provide all supplies to complete the project...just add dirt and your favorite herbs!

Added Recently to KPL Connect...

Now you can learn how to register for a library event or reserve a meeting room, by watching a quick video online. We’ve added a couple of brief, how-to videos on KPL Connect, which walk you through those tasks step-by-step.

These videos join a variety of other tutorials that will help you make the most of your library experience. Learn all about Evergreen Indiana, tour many of the databases provided by the library, and find out how to get started on social media! These videos are free to view! You can find them on our website at www.kendallvillelibrary.org.

Our Winter Reading event might be over now, but keep challenging yourself to read more!

Pick up a Dr. Seuss Reading Challenge form at either library location. Complete five of the activities in a row (any direction) on the BINGO-style game board, and bring your sheet in to the library for a prize!

But don’t stop there…the more activities you complete, the more you will win. This reading challenge is open to any children birth through 5th Grade.

The Kendallville Public Library is teaming up with The Strand Theatre to bring you the premiere of Disney’s *Beauty and the Beast* on Thursday, March 16 at 7:00 p.m. Tickets go on sale March 1 at the Kendallville Public Library for just $5 each. The first 100 people to buy tickets will receive a free small popcorn at the event (tickets must be brought with you to the show).

Doors open at 6:00 p.m. the night of the show for games and activities hosted by the Kendallville Public Library. All ages are welcome. Parents, keep in mind that this movie is rated PG.
The Mixed-Up Truck
By Stephen Savage

The cement mixer has just arrived at a construction site for his very first day of work. When the other trucks and big machines tell him to mix up some “powdery white cement,” he finds himself getting a little bit confused. After all, flour and sugar are powdery and white, too. But mixing them definitely doesn’t make cement. Can the mixed-up cement truck fix his mistakes and help the others make a building?

The Mixed-Up Truck is colorful and funny, and it does a great job of letting the pictures tell the story just as much as the text does. It’s just the right length to read aloud to preschoolers and even toddlers, and it will appeal to any child who has an interest in trucks, big machines and construction. Be sure to check out our other truck books in the Transportation picture book collection!

Reviewed by Sarah Buuck, Early Childhood Assistant

Star Wars ABC-3PO
By Calliope Glass, Caitlin Kennedy, and Katie Cook

You already know that A is for Apple, but did you know A is also for Ackbar? In this new take on the standard alphabet book, each letter is matched with someone or something from the Star Wars universe. Each entry is told in rhyme, making the book even more fun to read aloud.

The best thing about Star Wars ABC-3PO is that it’s funny in a way that will appeal to both kids and adults. The entry on Kylo Ren pokes fun at the villain’s extravagant lightsaber: “Come on, be civil; / Have one blade or two. / Three is just cocky. / We all know it’s true.” The second best thing is the artwork, which is done in an adorable cartoon style. This is a must read, even if you’re only a casual Star Wars fan.

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**Preschool PLAY!**
Mondays, March 6, 13, 20 & 27 at 10:00 a.m.
Limberlost Branch Library

A playtime that is not only fun - it helps develop motor skills and teaches STEAM principles!

Open to parents & preschoolers ages 2-5

**Cortex Corner:**
**COMPLETE THE CIRCUIT**
This Cortex Event is open to the first 15 students in Grades K-3 who register.

**ELEPHANT & PIGGIE Party!**
Wednesday, March 22 at 3:30 p.m.
Kendallville Public Library

Open to All Ages
Registration Not Required

**CRAFTS + SNACKS + GAMES + MEET & GREET**
**Moana Movie and More!**
Wednesday, March 8 at 5:30 p.m.
Kendallville Public Library

Open to All Ages - Registration Not Required

**Latch Hook**
Open to Grades K-5
Kendallville Public Library

Open to All Ages - Registration Not Required

**Paint & Weave**
Wednesday, March 15 at 3:30 p.m.
Kendallville Public Library

Thursday, March 16 at 1:00 p.m.
Limberlost Branch Library

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Shadowshaper
By Daniel Jose Older

In this urban fantasy set in Brooklyn, New York, Sierra Santiago is ready for the beginning of summer. She is looking forward to painting murals in the neighborhood and hanging with friends. That is, until a strange zombie guy crashes the first party of the season. Not only that, but murals around the city are starting to fade at an alarming rate and some strangely appear to be shedding tears.

This is when Sierra discovers a group called the Shadowshapers, which her grandpa was a member of back in the old days. Sierra’s grandpa shared important information on the Shadowshapers with an anthropologist named Wick. Now Wick wants to become the ultimate Shadowshaper. Will Sierra’s family and friends be able to survive Wick’s maniacal quest for power?

Reader’s of urban fantasy will enjoy this exciting adventure.

Read-a-like: Archivist Wasp by Nicole Kornher-Stace
Reviewed by Marie Kaufmann, Teen Services Manager

Snow White: A Graphic Novel
By Matt Phelan

In this 1920’s retelling of Snow White, the storyline gets darker as the timeline reaches closer to the stock market crash of 1929. Samantha White’s mother dies in 1917 and eventually her dad remarries the star of the Ziegfeld Follies. Samantha’s dad’s fortune is built on trading stocks, so the follies star marries him for his money, as she has reached the pinnacle of her own fame. Meanwhile, Samantha is sent away to boarding school because of her step-mother’s superficial jealousy.

The story is much the same as any Snow White tale, but is set against the backdrop of the roaring twenties. The era and the impending depression caused by the stock market crash gives the reader a new appreciation for the fairy tale. Phelan’s art is also perfectly suited for the mood of the story, all of it drawn in black and white until the very end.

Reader’s of graphic fairy tales will love this story.

Read-a-like: Princeless; Save Yourself by Jeremy Whitley
Reviewed by Marie Kaufmann, Teen Services Manager

STEAM Punks

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3:30 p.m.
Project: Flip Lantern
Skills: Circuit Design Skills
Kendallville Public Library

Monday, March 27
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Project: Paper Plane Launcher
Skills: Circuit Design Skills
Kendallville Public Library

Teen events focused on science, technology, engineering, art, and math.
Incoming in March to KPL (New & New To Us!)

New Release Fiction:
- All Grown Up by Jamie Attenberg
- The Arrangement by Sarah Dunn
- Before the War by Fay Weldon
- The Black Book by James Patterson
- Calling by Peter Heller
- Close Enough to Touch by Colleen Oakley
- The Confessions of Young Nero by Margaret George
- The Cuthroat by Cline Coudier
- Dangerous Games by Danielle Steel
- Dead Man Switch by Matthew Quirk
- The Devil and Webster by Jean Harriet Kroetz
- The Devil’s Triangle by Catherine Coulter
- Edgar and Lucy by Victor Lodato
- Exit West by Mohsin Hamid
- The Fall of Lisa Bellow by Susan Perabo
- Forever a Hero by Linda Lael Miller
- The Forgotten Girls by Owen Laukkanen
- The Gargoyle Hunters by John Freeman Gill
- The Heart of Meg by Nicholas Butler
- The Hollywood Daughter by Kate Alcott
- The Hope Chest by Ngaio Marsh
- If Not for You by Debbie Macomber
- Ill Will by Dan Chaon
- In the Name of Family by Sarah Dunant
- James 3 by James Patterson
- Lola by Melissa Scriven Love
- Man Overboard by Judith A. Jackson
- M occupying Lightning by Randy Wayne White
- Murder on the Serpentine by Anne Perry
- Never Let You Go by Chevy Stevens
- New York 2140 by Greg Egan
- Peko Most Poizen by Laura Childs
- A Perfect Obsession by Bethany Molot
- Pekoe Most Poison by Melissa Scrivner Love
- The Power of Questions to Open Doors, Uncover Solutions and Spark Change by Mo Gawdat
- The Primate’s Wife by Karin Tanaka
- Red Clover Inn by Carla Neggers
- The River of Kings by Taylor Brown
- The Roadside Girls by Amy Engel
- The Shadows by James Patterson
- Shoot Like a Girl by Mary Jennings Hegar
- Solace for Happy by Mo Gawdat
- South and West by Joan Didion
- The Strangers in the Woods by Frank Fink
- Writer, Sailor, Soldier, Spy by Nicholas Reynolds
- Younger by Sarah Cool

New Release Non-Fiction:
- A Kind of Murder by Mark Findlay
- A Dog’s Purpose by W. Bruce Cameron
- The Devil’s Triangle by Catherine Coulter
- Edgar and Lucy by Victor Lodato
- The Five Invitations by Dr. Dan Siegel
- Good Grief by Theresa Caputo
- Ice Ghosts by Paul Watson
- Lies We Believe About God by Wm. Paul Young
- Make Your Mind Up by Bethany Mota
- Never Regret by Dennis Rainey
- Never Let You Go by Danielle Steel
- Hidden Figures by Margot Lee Shetterly
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Books on CD:
- Ask More: The Power of Questions to Open Doors, Uncover Solutions and Spark Change by Frank Sesno
- Choosing a Life That Matters: 7 Decisions You’ll Never Regret by Dennis Rainey
- A Dog’s Purpose by W. Bruce Cameron
- The Dry by Jane Harper
- Hidden Figures by Margot Lee Shetterly
- The Mistress by Danielle Steel
- Never Let You Go by Monica Murphy
- The Princess Diaries by Carole Nelson
- The Tea Girl of Hummingbird Lane by Lisa See

New Release Movies:
- 100 Streets
- Elie
- The Eyes of My Mother
- Fire at Sea
- Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them
- Incarnate

TV Series on DVD:
- Master of None (Season 1)
- Unbreakable Kimmy Schmidt

App for free events and reservations!

Painting Puzzles

Monthly Adult Events:
- Zumba with Maria Campos - Thursdays, March 2, 9, 16 & 30 at 6:00 p.m. - Kendallville Public Library
- Creative Writing Workshop - Tuesday, March 7 at 6:00 p.m. - Kendallville Public Library
- Ask KPL - Call or email for an appointment - 343-2017 or ldresser@kendallvillelibrary.org
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

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Book The Cortex

Get hands-on help in the MakerSpace!

Call to schedule an appointment at 260-343-2017
or email us at ldresser@kendallvillelibrary.org.

We’ll be happy to assist you with:
- 3D Printing and Design
- Sewing and Embroidery
- Cricut and Die-Cut
- Adobe & iMac Products
- Cortex Kits
- Any Cortex Equipment