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Board of Trustees

Board meets at 8 a.m. on the third Tuesday.

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Meetings are open to the public.

Library Info

Main Branch

1740 Central Ave. (606) 329-0090; FAX: 329-0578

Circulation: ext. 1200 Youth Services: ext. 1300 Information Services: ext. 1400 Genealogy: ext. 1500

Mon-Thur: 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Fri and Sat: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday: 1 to 5 p.m.

Catlettsburg Branch

2704 Louisa St. (606) 739-8332; FAX: 739-5907 Mon-Thur: 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday: 1 to 5 p.m.

Kyova Branch

Kyova Mall, 10699 U.S Rt. 60 (606) 929-5346; FAX: 929-5471 Mon-Sat 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Sun: Noon to 6 p.m.

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www.thebookplace.org

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Read an eBook week: page 4.

Complete instructions can be found online, or by calling Information Services at 606.329.0518, ext. 1400.

Foreign Film Fest Returns

The Library's annual "quick vacation abroad" returns in January, as the 6th annual Foreign Film Festival hits the movie screen at Main.

A different film and country are featured each Sunday at 2 p.m., starting Jan. 8.

When the weather outside is bad and travel is difficult, just come to the library and take a world tour," said Amanda Gilmore, community relations coordinator.

This year's lineup features: Jan. 8: "La Chevre" (French, 1981); Jan. 15: "Departures" (Japanese, 2008); Jan. 22: "Life is Beautiful" (Italian, 1997); and Jan. 29: "Women on the Verge of a Nervous Breakdown" (Spanish, 1988).

DID YOU KNOW



- In 2010, Americans borrowed 2.1 million DVDs per day from their local library, nearly beating Netflix, which rented 2.2 million per day.
- Americans go to libraries three times more than they go to the movie theater.
- In the rural U.S., libraries have 6 computers for every 5,000 people.
- Public libraries experienced 1.59 billion visits in 2009, a jump from 1.50 billion visits in 2008.
- The Library of Congress is the largest in the world, and houses 23,994,965 books.

Tell your elected leaders how you feel about libraries! Legislative Day is March 7 (see page 5).

Library News

An unexpected new family member

In early December, without any forethought or design, I adopted a cat. He showed up one morning at Summit when we were moving stuff out, and returned later in the day when we were moving other stuff in. He was obviously well cared for (used to people and not skinny) but abandoned, as evidenced by the cage and water left nearby.

He allowed us to pick him up, pet him, turn him upside down and rub his tummy, purring the entire time. I knew we just couldn't leave him, plus I'd been looking for a companion for Maggie, my older dog. (We had lost Miss Daisy about six months ago and she needed a new friend.)

The cat sat in the front of the car, quiet as could be, all the way home. When I brought him in, there was the expected hissing and growling, coupled with looks of "Really? You brought a cat in this house?" and "No one said anything about a dog!" But within a couple of days, we had settled into an uneasy truce - mostly dirty looks and

Tutor.com is mobile

The free online homework help sevice offered to BCPL card holders is now accessible to go!

Tutor.com announced its Mobile Solutions in late fall, which means students can now connect to a tutor for a personalized, high



quality and rich learning experience from any mobile device. Students can: connect to a tutor for a one-on-one session; review past sessions, have a mobile locker to store resources; take pictures from their device and store in their mobile locker; and search the SkillsCenter Resource Library.

Homework Help from Tutor.com is available from 2 to 11 p.m. every day. All you need is your BCPL card number to get started.

For 24-hour reference help, BCPL recently switched to Questionpoint, after Askwhyky.org disbanded. The site can be accessed through a link at **www.thebookplace.org**.

low-level vocalizations. By the end of the week, they'd resigned themselves to cohabitating. We still have things to work out, like "No, you

cannot get into the sink," "Stop playing with the TV," and "Leave my tea alone!" But he's a great cat and Maggie has calmed down.

Oh, his name. He is called J.T. - short for Juniper Tiberius (send me an email if you want to know why: dcosper@thebookplace.org).

Not having had a cat in nearly 10 years, I went to the library's catalog looking for books about cat care. Amazing stuff comes up when you search in "Advanced" using "cats" in "Find: Any Field," then sort by call number. You get: magic cats; haunted cats; cats as spiritual guides; cats as business models; big cats; wild cats; building cat gyms; selecting; breeds; health; introducing them to kids/cats/dogs; training; and lore, legends and stories.

@ your library, this is Director Debbie Cosper

Changes to ILL service

Starting Jan. 1, the Library will no longer do Interlibrary Loans for DVDs outside of Kentucky. Out-of-state ILLs will continue for other items.

The ILL service lets patrons borrow materials

from libraries across the country. It is extremely popular with BCPL patrons, with a growth of 700 percent in the past two years. A request form can be found at www.thebookplace.org. Call 606.329.0518, ext. 1400, for more information.

Church minutes

BCPL's genealogy department has a growing collection of Church Association minutes.

These minutes discuss the previous year in the church, and also contain obituaries.

The collection is in its early stages and currently contains mostly eastern Kentucky churches. It will be growing over the next few years. For more information, stop in the Minnie C. Winder room at Main, or call 606.329.0518, ext. 1500.

January

January Happenings

M=Main; K=Kyova; C=Catlettsburg

- Library Closed for New Year's: Jan. 1 & 2
- Preschool Storytime: Jan. 3, 10, 17, 24, 31, 1:30 p, K; and Jan. 4, 11, 18, 25, 11 a, M
- Appy Hour (advanced): Jan. 3, 6 p, M; (beginners): Jan. 10, 6 p, K
- Bookswap: Jan. 5, 5:30 p, K
- Toddler Time: Jan. 6, 13, 20, 27, 11:30 a, M; and 1 p, K;. Also, at Catlettsburg (new!), Jan. 9, 16, 23, 30, 10:30 a
- Fun Friday Crafts: Jan. 6, 1 to 5 p, M
- All-Day Scrap-a-Thon: Jan. 7, K
- Foreign Film Festival: "La Chevre:" Jan. 8, 2 p, M
- Hands that Touch a Heart campaign: Jan. 9 to Feb. 10
- Teen Library Council: Jan. 10, 5 p, M;
- Teen Tuesdays: Wheel of Fortune, 6 p, M
- Book Clubs: Jan. 10, 5 p, C; and Jan. 31, 6 p, M
- Star Wars Spectacular: Jan. 14,
- Foreign Film Festival:
- "Departures:" Jan. 15, 2 p, M
- My Favorite Things: Winter

Crafting Ideas: Jan. 16, 5:30 p, K · Macho Monday Movie: "The

Hangover Part II:" Jan. 19, 5:30 p, M

- Board of Trustees: Jan. 17, 8 a, K
- Kreative Kritics: Jan. 17, 6 p, K
- Teen Thursdays: Wheel of

Fortune: Jan. 19, 6 p, K

- Family Origami Day: Jan. 21, noon to 4 p, K
- Foreign Film Festival: "Life is Beautiful:" Jan. 22, 2 p, M
- Family Matinee: "Dolphin Tale:" Jan. 22, 2 p, K
- · Girls' Night Out: "Friends With Benefits:" Jan. 25, 5:30 p, M
- Let's Get Graphic! Book Club: Jan. 26, 6 p, M
- Chess Club (new!!): Jan. 26, 6:30 p, K
- Lego Party: Jan. 28, 2 p, K
- Foreign Film Festival:
- "Women on the Verge of a Nervous

Breakdown:" Jan. 29, 2 p, M

• Novel-Tea: Jan. 30, 1 p, M

New stuff in the new year

As always at BCPL, there will be plenty of new special programs taking place throughout the year. But we're also starting 2012 with some new weekly or monthly programs we think you will enjoy.

The staff at the Catlettsburg Branch is excited to offer a weekly Toddler Time program - on Mondays at 10:30 a.m., starting Jan. 9. The program features about 30 minutes of stories. songs and dancing for toddlers and their caregivers. For more information, call Catlettsburg at



606.729.8332. The popular program is also held on Fridays at Main (11:30 a.m.) and Kyova (1 p.m.). Come to one, or all three.

The Kyova Branch will be the home of a new monthly Chess Club, on the fourth Thursday, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. The club welcomes all levels of chess players - play, teach or learn the game! Boards will be provided, or you can bring your own. Snacks will be served. For more information, call Kyova at 606.929.5346.

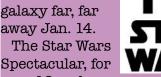
We've also made a small change to our monthly Appy Hour programs. The program at Main on the first Tuesday is for advanced users of iPads, iPhones and other smartphones. The one at Kyova on the second Tuesday is geared toward beginners. Both programs begin at 6 p.m., and are conducted by representatives of AT&T.

Kids 12 and under can get creative at a Lego Party on Jan. 28 at 2 p.m. at Kyova. The afternoon will be filled with lots of fun Lego-themed events.

Design! Build! Imagine! Play! Invent! Create!

Star Wars fun

Share your love of that galaxy far, far away Jan. 14. The Star Wars



ages 12 and under, starts at 2 p.m. at the Main Branch. There will be crafts and

door prizes. Come in costume!

Get your own READ poster

The Library can put your face on a READ poster - it makes a great keepsake, or a cool gift for your

favorite reader.



The 18" by 24" poster features a reader and his or her favorite book. More than one person can be featured on the poster. Animals are allowed, too! Cost is \$10. To schedule your photo, contact Amanda Gilmore at 606.329.0518, ext. 1130.



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February

Heart-felt programs

One of our favorite programs, Hands that Touch a Heart, is back, and we need your help. Kids, grownups, schools and community groups helped us make more than 2,000 Valentines last year, all of which went to local soldiers serving overseas or residents of local nursing homes. We hope to top that total this year.

The program runs from Jan. 9 to Feb. 10. Card templates

ax Aide

The American Association of

and decorating supplies will be at all branches. We can provide templates for outside groups. Just call Amanda Clark at 606.329.0518, ext. 1140.

- Short and Sweet: a quick taste of literature for busy adults, followed by a sampling of sweets. Feb. 9, 6 p.m., Kyova.
- Sweetheart Tea Party: Feb. 11, 2 p.m., Main. For kids 5-12.

February also means other heart-felt programs:

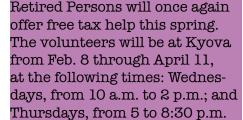
Bingo's back

Play Library Bingo throughout February, and

win prizes! Just ask for a card at any

and start again!

branch, and then get a bingo! by completing the library tasks in the squares. (Make sure a staff member verifies the tasks.) When you're done, turn in your card for a prize, get a new one,





Calling all characters!

Storybooks will come alive in late February, at the Library's Book Character Costume Day.

The program is on Feb. 25, at 2 p.m. at the Kyova Branch. All ages are welcome to attend. Just dress as your favorite storybook character - and come prepared to meet a few of your favorites! Take your picture with some, or all.









February Happenings

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Play Library Bingo all month, at all branches. Win prizes!

- Preschool Storytime: Feb. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, 11 a, M; and Feb. 7, 14, 21, 28, 1:30 p, K
- Bookswap: Feb. 2, 5:30 p, K
- Toddler Time: Feb. 3, 10, 17, 24, 11:30 a, M, and 1: p, K. Also, at Catlettsburg (new!), Feb. 6, 13, 20, 27, 10:30 a
- Fun Friday Crafts: Feb. 3, 1 to 5 p, M
- Appy Hour (advanced): Feb. 7, 6 p, M; (beginners): Feb. 14, 6 p, K
- Tax Help from American **Association of Retired Persons:** Feb. 8, 15, 22, 29, 10 a to 2 p; and Feb. 14, 21, 28, 5:30 to 8:30 p, K
- Short and Sweet: Feb. 9, 6 p, K
- Hands that Touch a Heart campaign ends: Feb. 10
- Sweetheart Tea Party: Feb. 11, 2 p, M
- Marilyn Thornton Schraff book signing: Feb. 11, 2 p, M
- Teen Library Council: Feb. 14,
- Teen Tuesdays: Oscar Party, Feb. 14, 6 p, M
- Book Club: Feb. 14, 5 p, C; Feb. 28, 6 p, M
- Teen Thursdays: Oscar Party: Feb. 16, 6 p, K
- Family Matinee: "The Smurfs:" Feb. 19, 2 p, K
- Create a Felt Flower Scarf: Feb. 20, 5:30 p, K
- Macho Monday Movie: "Real **Steel:"** Feb. 20, 5:30 p, M Board of Trustees monthly
- meeting: Feb. 21, 8 a, M
- Kreative Kritics book club: Feb. 21, 6 p, K
- Let's Get Graphic! book club: Feb. 23, 6 p, M
- Chess Club (new!!): Feb. 23,
- Book Character Costume Day: Feb. 25, 2 p, K
- Novel-Tea Book Discussion: Feb. 27, 1 p, M
- Girls' Night Out: "Courageous:" Feb. 29, 5:30 p, M

March

March Happenings

M=Main; K=Kyova; C=Catlettsburg

- Bookswap: March 1, 5:30 p, K
- Toddler Time: March 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, 11:30 a, M, and 1 p, K. Also, at Catlettsburg (new!), March 6, 13, 20, 27, 10:30 a
- Fun Friday Crafts: March 2, 1 to 5 p, M
- Dr. Seuss Birthday Party: March 3, 2 p, all branches
- Read an eBook Week & Teen Tech Week: March 4-10
- Preschool Storytime: March 6, 13, 20, 27, 1:30 p, K; also March 7, 14, 21, 28, 11 a, M
- AARP Tax Aide: March 6, 13, 20, 27, 5:30 to 8:30 p, K; also March 7, 14, 21, 28, 10 a to 2 p, K
- •Appy Hour (advanced): March 6, 6 p, M; (beginners): March 13, 6 p, K
- Legislative Day: March 7
- Choosing an eReader: March 8, 6 p, M
- Spring Cleaning Gone Green: March 12, 6 p, M
- Teen Library Council: March 13, 5 p. M
- **Book Club:** March 13, 5 p, C; March 27, 6 p, M
- Teen Tuesdays: Nook Night: March 13, 6 p, M
- Teen Thursdays: Nook Night: March 15, 6 p, K
- Family Matinee: "Puss N Boots": March 18, 2 p, K
- Create a Celtic Chain Maille

Pendant: March 19, 5:30 p, K

- Macho Monday Movie: Tower Heist: March 19, 5:30 p, M
- Board of Trustees monthly meeting: March 20, 8 a, M
- Kreative Kritics book club: March 20, 6 p, K
- "Sisters All," featuring storyteller Mary Hamilton: March 22, 6 p, M
- Kite Day: March 24, 2 p, K
- Novel-Tea Book Discussion: March 26, 1 p, M
- Girls' Night Out: "Footloose:" March 28, 5:30 p, M
- Let's Get Graphic! book club: March 29, 6 p, M
- Chess Club (new!!): March 29, 6:30 p, K

eBooks in the spotlight

Electronic books (eBooks) continue to grow in popularity among users of all ages, and BCPL wants to help people understand this new technology.

Read an eBook Week is celebrated nationally March 4-10. There will be a program at the Main Branch on Thursday, March 8, at 6 p.m., to help people choose the best one for them. We will have a variety of E-Readers available to look at, and staff will offer tips on the best one to suit your needs.



That same week is also Teen Tech Week, which has the theme "Geek Out @ Your Library." The teen program - on March 13 at Main and March 15 at Kyova - is called Nook Night. Teens will go on a scavenger hunt, searching every "nook and cranny" of the library, and will also be able to get an upclose look at Nooks (which BCPL will soon be making available for checkout) and other E-Readers.

Legislative Day

BCPL will join other libraries across the state in Frankfort on March 7 to urge state elected officials to continue to fund and support this vital resource.

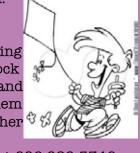
Library patrons are welcome, too. If you'd like to join BCPL, just contact Debbie Cosper at 606.329.0518, ext. 1110, or dcosper@thebookplace.org, for more information.

Wear yellow March 7 and show your library support!

Fly a kite!

Kite Day at Kyova is scheduled for Saturday, March 24, from

noon to 2 p.m.
This fun,
family event
includes making
a kite, windsock
or pinwheel, and
then flying them
outside, weather
permitting.



Call Kyova at 606.929.5346, for more information.

Expected on the shelves

Fiction: Chocolate Covered Murder, Leslie Meier; Home Front, Kristin Hannah; Blue Monday, Nicci French.

Audio: Gun Games, Faye Kellerman; Kill Shot, Vince Flynn; Guilty Wives, James Patterson.

Non-fiction: Fun Inc.: Why Gaming Will Dominate the 21st Century; Tom Chatfield; 400 Calorie Fix: The Easy New Rule for Permanent Weight Loss, Liz Vaccariello.

Youth: Dear Dumb Diary Year 2; Fancy Nancy and the Mermaid Ballet; Star Wars: The Clone Wars, Secret Missions.

Movies: Dolphin Tale, Courageous, Puss N Boots, Footloose, Tower Heist, Hop, Jack and Jill, Twilight Saga: Breaking Dawn Part I.

Games: Silent Hill Downpour; Resident Evil: Operation Racoon City.

Music: "Emotional Traffic," Tim McGraw; "New Life," Monica.





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Check out Chilton

Thebookplace.org has a new automotive repair reference database, called ChiltonLibrary.com, that patrons can access for free with their BCPL card. The original Chilton print manuals have been in great demand for decades by weekend mechanics and do-it-yourself car enthusiasts. The database features detailed step-by-step instructions, and close-up photographs and illustrations.

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