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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 Catlettsburg: ext. 2200 Summit: ext. 3200 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.

#### **Summit Branch**

1016 Summit Road (606) 928-3366; FAX: 928-5045 Mon-Thur: 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Fri and Sat: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

# We're moving to the mall!

Boyd County Public Library will become one of a very small number of libraries nationwide to provide services inside a mall when the Kyova Branch opens early next year.

"We are thrilled to be opening a branch in the Kyova Mall," said Director Debbie Cosper. "We are positioning the library to serve the needs of the community for the next decade, or longer."

A mall branch means more convenience. Patrons can stop by while they are shopping, or going out to

eat, or before or after a movie. The Kyova Branch will keep the same hours as the mall: 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Saturday; and noon to 6 p.m. on Sunday.

Summit will become an outreach center, housing materials for the homebound and other outreach programs. BCPL anticipates hiring 8-10 new staff members during the next few months, to staff the Kyova Branch and expanded outreach services, and handle the increased demands on other departments. "All of this is being done with one goal in mind: to serve more people in our community, and in the best way possible," Cosper said.

### Scarecrows will soon return

In just a few weeks, The Reading Garden at Main will once again be transformed into a festive fall display, with bales of hay, pots of mums and scarecrows galore (we hope!)

The 5th annual Scarecrow Spectacular runs from Oct. 12 to 21 this

year. As in years' past, a silent auction is held during the display period, and a live auction on the final night. But we need the public's help to make it happen.

Individuals, civic clubs, businesses, classrooms, scouts, church youth



The Tinman, from last year's display, and its builder. Jamie Salmons.

groups ... anyone is welcome to make a scarecrow to display. We just need to know your intention by Oct. 4 (applications

available at any branch, including thebookplace.org) and your entry must be at Main, and ready to withstand the outside elements, by Oct. 8. Complete rules are on the applica-

Voting for the People's Choice award takes place throughout the display period. We will also award trophies for Funniest, Scariest and Most Creative. All funds raised from the auction(s) are used to support library programs and services.

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## **Library News**

## Behind the Books: Community Relations

We take a loook this time around at the designer of the item you are reading - Amanda Gilmore.

Amanda is the library's Community Relations Coordinator. Essentially, her job is to make sure the community knows what's going on at The Library. She does this in a lot of different ways: flyers, brochures, bookmarks, signs, email blasts, press releases, articles, newsletters, calendars, billboards (including the digital one on U.S. 60), photos, advertisements, diret mailers and social media updates. Oh yes, there's also radio spots and interviews, TV news and thebookplace.org. If the library's logo is on it, Amanda probably had something to do with it.

She also makes sure the Library always has a stock of promotional items, like pens, bags,

business cards, mouse pads and magnets.

Special promotions, like our Facebook contests, and Food for Fines are some of her favorite things to do. She also helps plan and conduct many of our annual



events, like the Scarecrow Spectacular (see page 3) and the Foreign Film Festival each January.

Finally, during the course of the year, Amanda makes in excess of 50,000 copies of flyers to distribute through the libraries and the places library staff visit.

So next time you see the BCPL logo, be sure to think of Amanda and her colorful message.

@ your library, this is Debbie Cosper, director

### How they work: drop boxes

For your convenience, each branch has a drop box for after-hours returns, or for those who don't have the time to come inside during the day. These boxes are emptied sev-

eral times a day, the first being just after 8 a.m., which is when it's most full.

The items we get first thing in the morning are checked in as if they were returned the day before. This keeps patrons from getting a fine.

### Center nearly done

The new computer center at Main should be open by mid-October. It will house 24 work stations (two of them ADA compliant) and two study rooms. The fax machines and copiers will also be in the center, which will be enclosed, with large glass windows. One of its doors will be automated. Two more public access terminals (to search the catalogue) are also being added in the non-fiction area. Thanks to all for their patience during construction.

## New movie packaging should help

by Kellie Nunley, technical services supervisor, and Betty Malcolm, circulation supervisor

If you are a fan of movies or music, you already know that Boyd County Public Library has an awesome collection. You may have also heard that the Library has had an ongoing problem with theft of these materials, and how we have been working with the Ashland Police Department and local pawn shops to get our items returned. After many discussions with

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these folks, we have made changes in the packaging of these items that we hope will prevent them from being sold without our permission.

Soon, you will see some new artwork that comes with the movies and music. The artwork has been designed to specifically alert employees of pawn shops, flea markets or even individuals that these items are the property of Boyd County Public Library (and you, the taxpapers) and are not for sale. The artwork looks just like what you would see on the same item in any store, with a few modifications and identifying marks that make it uniquely the property of BCPL. The cover art will include the genre label and rating, just like always.

We hope these changes mean that more of the library's media collection stays right where it should be - on the shelves so that you and other library card holders can check them out, take them home and bring them back for the next person to enjoy.

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#### October Happenings

M=Main; S=Summit; C=Catlettsburg

- **Preschool Storytime:** Oct. 1, 8, 15, 22, 10:30 a, M; Oct. 5, 12, 19, 26, 1:30 p, S
- **Toddler Time:** Oct. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, 11:30 a, M, and 1 p, S
- •Banned Books Week Film Festival: "Gone wih the Wind," Oct. 1, 5:30 p, M; "How to Eat Fried Worms," Oct. 2, 2 p, M
- Monthly Shuffle: Oct. 4, 5:30 p, S
- Big Read: Poe Parade & Thriller Contest: Oct. 4, 6 p, Central Park
- $\bullet$  Fire Safety for Senior Citizens: Oct. 5, 10 a, M
- Mango Mania: Oct. 5, 4 p, M
- **Appy Hour:** Oct. 5, 6 p, M
- Tween Craft: leather stamping: Oct. 6, 4 p, S; Oct. 16, 2 p, M
- Genealogy Movie: "History of Boyd County:" Oct. 6, 5 p, M
- Make Doggie Treats: Oct. 7, 6 p, M
- Stories Before Bedtime: Oct. 7, 14, 21, 6 p, M
- •Barktober: Oct. 9, noon, S; "Marmaduke:" 2 p
- Closed for Columbus Day: Oct. 11
- Scarecrow Spectacular Display &

**Auction:** Oct. 12-21, M

• TLC: Oct. 12, 5 p, M; Teen Fear

**Factor:** 6 p, M; Oct. 16, 2 p, S

- Book club: Oct. 12, 5 p, C; Oct. 25,
- 1 p, M; and Oct. 26, 6 p, M
- Make Halloween Houses: Oct. 13, 10:30 a & 2 p, C
- From Page to Reel: "The Fall of the House of Usher:" Oct.  $13,\,5:30~p,\,S$
- **Tie Dye:** Oct. 13, 5 p, M
- Baby Time!: Oct. 14, 10:30 a, M
- Teen Read Week: Oct. 17-23
- Piece-ing it Together:
- **Scarecrows:** Oct. 18, 5:30 p, S
- Scary Storytelling: Oct. 18, 6 p, M
- Poe Read Aloud: Oct. 18, 7 p; Oct. 25, 6 p, M
- Board of Trustees: Oct. 19, 8 a, C
- •Legislative Event: Oct. 19, 6 p, M
- "Karate Kid:" Oct. 20, 4 p, S
- Fancy Nancy: Oct. 20, 4 p, C
- Scarecrow Spectacular Live Auc-
- tion & Reception: Oct. 21, 6 p, M
   Scary Saturday: Oct. 23, M
- Literary Bingo: Oct. 25; 5:30 p, S
- Paying for College: Oct. 26, 6 p, S
- Girls' Night Out: "The Back-Up Plan:" Oct. 27, 5:30 p, M
- Haunt the Library: Oct. 29,

10:30 a, M

## October

## You can "Friend" the Library

... and we don't mean on Facebook or Twitter (though that is great, too!) We mean by becoming a BCPL Friend. It's a great opportunity to get more involved in the Library, at a very exciting time.

The Friends are having a month-long membership drive this fall, with a goal of signing up 100 new Friends. "We know we can do it," said Friends President Traci Nolen. "We know there are hundreds, even thousands of people in Boyd County who love the library."

The "Friend the Library" drive kicks off Sunday, Oct. 17, with a 2 p.m. open house at Main. There will be food and a discussion of "The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Scoiety," a story of friendsship set during war time. Everyone who joins the BCPL

Friends between Oct. 17 and Nov. 17 will be entered into a drawing for a two-night stay at a Kentucky State Park of their choice.

Longtime Friend Matt Onion will also be honored Oct. 17, for his "faithful service and dedication."

"Matt is the epitomy of a true library friend, and a wonderful mentor to our group," Nolen said.



### Let's read Poe

The Big Read is here, and that means Edgar Allan Poe is in the spotlight in October.

BCPL will host two Poe Read-Alouds, on Oct. 18 (7 p.m.) and

25 (6 p.m.), at Main. The one on the 18th will be preceded at 6 p.m. by Thomas Freese of Louisville, author and teller of scary tales.



#### Barktober is back

The annual celebration of our canine friends returns to the Summit Branch on Oct. 9.
Bring your pooch for pet contests, a parade and door prizes. Stick around for a showing of "Marmaduke" at 2 p.m.

On Oct '7, at 6 p.m. at Main, we'll show folks how to make homemade doggie treats, which will be passed out to our furry friends at Barktober.

### Boo! We're scaring up some fun

We love Halloween at BCPL, and have lots of fun events planned. First, help decorate your home by making a Haunted Gingerbread House at Catlettsburg on Oct. 13. Choose from the 10:30 a.m. or 2 p.m. session. Seating is limited to six in each. Call Amanda Clark at (606) 329-0518, ext. 1140, to register.

Oct. 23 is Scary Saturday at Main. We'll show "Scooby-Doo: The Mystery Begins" at 10 a.m., followed by "Nightmare on Elm Street 2" at noon. Then, at 2 p.m., members of the Gateway

Paranormal Society from Mt. Sterling will talk about ghost hunting. The annual Haunt the Library, for the little ones, is Oct. 29 at

10:30 a.m. at Main. Come in costume and get treats from staff!

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## November

### Lots of stuff for teens & tweens

Another exciting year of teen & tween programming is underway. The schedule for Teen Tuesdays (second Tuesday at 6 p.m. at

Main) includes Fear Factor in October, World Records & Weird Talents in November and a Twilight party in December. In the new year, we'll have teen programs on yoga & smoothies; pancakes & pajamas; and a virtual visit via Skype from Carrie Ryan, author of



popular zombie books. Teen Tuesdays programs are planned in part by the Teen Library Council, which meets the same day, at 5 p.m. Call (606) 329-0518, ext. 1300, if you want to join.

We will be repeating some of the teen programs at Summit on Saturday afternoons. Summit is also hosting "Paying for College 101" on Oct. 26 at 7 p.m., great for high school students & parents.

Tweens have their own stuff too, including special craft programs, manga discussions (see below) and a Diary of a Wimpy Kid party at Summit on Nov. 3.

And don't forget **National Gaming Day** on Nov. 13 (Rock Band Tournament at Main) and **Wii Week,** Nov. 14-19, at all branches.

### **Support libraries**

The state Transportation
Cabinet has approved a new license plate that shows your love of reading, and your support of libraries.
At least 900 of the plates must be sold in the next year, or the plate will not be produced.

Cost is \$25.



## Hey, Baby!

We have a new monthly program for our littlest library visitors. It's Baby Time!, and it's a

half hour of stories & songs (and probably some cooing & crawling). Each baby must bring



at least one adult lap with them. Sessions this fall are Oct. 14, Nov, 18 and Dec 9, at 10:30 a.m. at Main.

## Manga mystery revealed

You've no doubt heard the word. And maybe seen that the Library is having programs on it for teens and tweens. But do you know what **manga** is? Basically, it's Japanese comic books. In Japan, manga is published for readers of all ages, on all sorts of topics. The manga teens at BCPL read is primarily **shonen**, or adventure stories, and **shojo**, or high-school romances. Just like in American comics and graphic novels, some stories focus on characters with superpowers, while others are about everyday life.

The combination of words and pictures appeals to teens, who are accustomed to a lot of visual stimulation. In the past few years, there's been an increasing demand for manga in the library. And we've listened!

#### **November Happenings**

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- Monthly Shuffle: Nov. 1, 5:30 p, S
- **Preschool Story Time:** Nov. 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, 1:30 p, S; Nov. 5, 12, 19, 10:30 a, M
- Daniel Boone's Birthday Party: Nov. 2, 2 p, M
- **Appy Hour:** Nov. 2, 6 p, M
- Diary of a Wimpy Kid Party,: Nov. 3, 4 p, S
- "Iron Man 2:" Nov. 3, 5:30 p, M
- Holiday Recipe Exchange: Nov. 4, 5:30 p, M
- Stories Before Bedtime: Nov. 4 and 18, 6 p, M
- Toddler Time: Nov. 5, 12, 19, 11:30 a, M, and 1 p, S.
- Digital Photography Class: Nov. 6, 2 p, M
- From Page to Reel: "Little Women:" Nov. 8, 5:30 p, S
- Tenting Tonight: Songs & Stories of the Civil War with
- Judy Cook: Nov. 8, 6 p, M
- Teen Library Council: Nov. 9, 5 p, M; Teen Tuesdays: World
- Records & Weird Talents, 6 p
- Book club: Nov. 9, 5 p, C
- Holiday Cards & Labels: Nov. 10, 10:30 a & 2 p, C
- Fancy Nancy Extravaganza: Nov. 10, 4 p, S
- Closed for Veterans Day: Nov. 11
- National Gaming Day: Nov. 13, board games at all branches all day; Rock Band Tournament, 2 p, M
- Second Saturday Screening:
- "Toy Story 3:" Nov. 13, 2 p, S
- Wii Week: Nov.14-19, all
- Piece-ing It Together: beaded wire jewelry: Nov. 15, 5:30 p, S
- Board of Trustees meeting: Nov. 16, 8 a, M
- "Toy Story 3:" Nov. 16, 6 p, M
- After-School Movie: "How to Train Your Dragon:" Nov. 17,  $4~\rm p, \, S$
- Girls' Night Out: "Letters to
- Juliet:" Nov. 17, 5:30 p, M
  Baby Time!: Nov. 18, 10:30 a, M
- Peanut Butter Lovers Day: Nov. 20, 2 p, M
- Literary Bingo: Nov. 22, 5:30 p, M
- Ashland Christmas Parade: Nov. 23, library closes at 5 p
- Thanksgiving closing: at 5 p, Nov. 24; all day Nov. 25 & 26.
- •**Book clubs:** Nov. 29, 1 p; and Nov. 30, 6 p, M

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#### **December Happenings**

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- Holiday Wreath Making: Dec. 1,
- noon, M; Dec. 2, 10 a, C, & 6 p, S
- Tween Holiday Craft: Dec. 1,
- 4 p, S; and Dec. 11, 2 p, M
   Health Screening: Dec. 2, 10 a, M
- I'm Dreaming of a (fiscally)
- Black Christmas: Dec. 2, 6 p, M
   Stories Before Bedtime: Dec. 2,
- 9, 16, 6 p, M
- **Preschool Story Time:** Dec. 3, 10, 17, 10:30 a, M; Dec. 7, 14, 21, 28, 1:30 p, S
- Toddler Time: Dec. 3, 10, 17, 11:30 a, M & 1 p, S.
- Stocking Stuffer book sale Dec. 4, 10 a to 5 p, M
- Monthly Shuffle: Dec. 6, 5:30 p, S
- •"Disney's A Christmas Carol:" Dec. 6, 6 p, M; also being shown at Second Saturday Screening, Dec.
- 11, 2 p, S • **Gingerbread Houses:** Dec. 7, 10:30 a & 2 p, C
- Appy Hour: Dec. 7, 6 p, M
- Baby Time!: Dec. 9, 10:30 a, M
- Christmas Cookies: Dec. 9, 6 p, S
- Holiday Craft Cart: Dec. 13-15,
- 4 to 7 p, M
- From Page to Reel: "Christmas with the Kranks:" Dec. 13, 5:30 p, S
- Holiday Music in the Library: Dec. 14 to 22. M
- Teen Library Council: Dec. 14, 5 p, M; Teen Tuesdays: Twilight Party: 6 p
- Make Your Own 2011 Calendar: Dec. 15, 10:30 a & 2 p, C
- After-School Movie: "Disney Nature: Oceans:" Dec. 15, 4 p, S
- Twilight for Teens: Dec. 18, 2 p, 8
- Max Grinnell: Urbanologist,
- Traveler, Explorer: Dec. 19, 2 p, M
- Pierce-ing It Together: memory boards: Dec. 20, 5:30 p, S
- Board of Trustees meeting: Dec. 21, 8 a, M
- Christmas closing: Dec. 23 to 25
- Macho Monday Movie: "Robin Hood:" Dec. 27, 5:30 p, M
- Literary Bingo: Dec. 27, 5:30 p, S
- Purplicious Day: Dec. 28, 2 p, M
- Girls' Night Out: "Just Wright:" Dec. 29, 5:30 p, M
- "Hercules:" Dec. 30, 2 p, M
- Library district closed for New Year's holiday: Dec. 31

## December Holiday Happenings

The traditional smattering of music, crafts and food to help ring in the holidays are on tap at BCPL.

We start in November, with a program to show you how to make holiday cards and labels on Nov. 10 at Catlettsburg.

Then, on Dec. 1 & 2, Lori Bowling returns with her popular holiday wreath making class (at all branches).

That same week, you can learn how to have a fiscally-responsible holiday season at "I'm Dreaming of a Black Christmas," on Dec. 2 at Main.

Make a gingerbread house at Catlettsburg on Dec. 7, and/or Christmas cookies at Summit on Dec. 9. At Main, the holiday craft cart will be out Dec. 13-15, and a special tween craft program is Dec. 11. Holiday music will fill Main each noon hour Dec. 14-22 (groups interested in performing should call Amanda Clark at (606) 329-0518, ext. 1140.)

We've also thrown in a couple holiday movies: "Disney's A Christmas Carol" on Dec. 6 at Main and Dec. 11 at Summit; and "Christmas with the Kranks" on Dec. 13 at Summit. Phew!!!

### **Mondays @ Summit**

The Summit Branch has moved some of its regular programs to make it the place to be on Monday evenings! Each Monday (not the 5th one) at 5:30 p.m. is a fun activity:

Monthly Shuffle card games (1st Monday); From Page to Reel book & movie discussion (2nd); Piece-ing It Together crafts (3rd); and Literary Bingo (4th). Mark your calendar now!

### **Travel with Max**

Travel author Max Grinnell will discuss his adventures on **Dec. 19 at 2 p.m. at Main.**Grinnell, who calls himself an ur-



the urban condition. His most recent book, published in 2009, explores 24 of Chicago's most intriguing neighborhoods.

## Expected on the shelves

Fiction: The Confession, John Grisham; Of Love and Evil, Anne Rice; Dead or Alive, Tom Clancy; Echo, Jack McDevitt.

Audio: The Brave, Nicholas Evans; Crescent Dawn, Clive Cussler; Rescue, Anita Shreve; Edge, Jeffrey Deaver.

Non-fiction: Composed: A Memoir, Roseanne Cash; Baseball: An Illustrated History, Geoffrey C. Ward; Kiss Your Elbow: A Kentucky Memoir, Deanna O'Daniel.

Youth: The Lost Hero, Rick Riordan; Diary of a Wimpy Kid: The Ugly Truth, Jeff Kinney; Knuffle Bunny Free: An Unexpected Diversion, Mo Willems.

Movies: Karate Kid; Toy Story 3; Sex and the City 2; The A-Team; How to Train Your Dragon; Disney's A Christmas Carol.





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## Genealogy News

To celebrate Family History Month in October, the genealogy department is hosting a showing of "History of Boyd County" on Oct. 6 at 5 p.m. at Main. Free for all. The department also has a lithograph from the late 1870s, touched up and ready for sale. It depicts a bird's eye view of Ashland from the Ohio side. Cost of the 21" x 26" print is \$40. It's a great Christmas gift idea!

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