

# POCKET EDITION

## Children's Author Presents All-Ages Program Nov. 21



*Children's book author Gwendolyn Battle-Lavert brings her tales to a free program at the downtown library at 4:30 p.m., Friday, Nov. 21.*

Rashaad samples the joy of learning new words while getting a haircut. Young Wezielee hangs up her apron and heads to school. And an old woman shares all she has, only to receive a bag with all she needs.

These characters created by author Gwendolyn Battle-Lavert take children to different places and times in lively read-aloud stories.

### A Look At History

Her books often portray important historical moments, too. *Papa's Mark*, for example, tells the story of a young boy who teaches his father to write his name so he can sign the register when he casts his ballot on the first election day African Americans were allowed to vote. You are invited to meet the author and enjoy a free program she'll present at 4:30 p.m., Friday, Nov. 21, at the downtown library.

No reservations or tickets are required. A reception with the author will follow, and her books will be available for sale.

### Writing Since First Grade

The author's love of writing began in first grade, and she's been hanging around classrooms ever since.

She earned an associate's degree in elementary education from Paris Junior College in Texas, and a bachelor's and master's in education from Texas A&M.

### Now In Marion

She taught elementary school and was a principal in Texas. Since 1999, she's been an assistant professor of education at Indiana Wesleyan University in Marion.

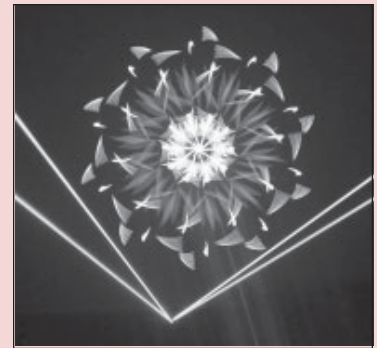
What should students do who want to be writers? "Read, read, read," Battle-Lavert says.

### Her Books

Battle-Lavert's children's books include *The Barber's Cutting Edge*, *The Shaking Bag*, *Off to School*, *Papa's Mark* and *The Music in Derrick's Heart*.

All are in stock at the Tippecanoe County Public Library.

*This program is sponsored by Wal-Mart Foundation and the Friends of the Library.*



## Laser Show Lights Up Winter

Greater Lafayette's own J and K Laser Productions heads for the downtown library **Monday, Dec. 29**, with three programs: **10:30 a.m., 2 p.m. and 7 p.m.**

The laser show team, headed by John Rubacha, promises a dazzling array of music and light to take the edge off winter's dark days.

The shows are free, but tickets are required. Pick yours up beginning Dec. 15 in the downtown library Youth Room.

## Holiday Closings

The Mobile Library will not be in service, and the downtown and campus libraries will be closed:

November 27

December 24 and 25

December 31

January 1

The campus library also will be closed November 28, but the downtown library will be open that day.

## New Internet Class Format

Two Internet classes are now regularly offered at the campus library:

- Basic Internet and Email
- Advanced Internet and Email.

Next up: the basic class, **Tuesday, Dec. 9, noon to 2 p.m.**, in the computer lab at the campus library. No registration is required; just show up. For more information, call 429-0113.

## Bust Those Winter Blues

Books can be the start of lots of winter-blues busters! Try these.

### Time Alone

Carve a duck, *How to Make Working Decoys*, George Ross Starr, 799.24 S796

Grow African violets, *African Violets: The Complete Guide*, Joan Hill, 635.933 H646A

Stretch your body, *Stephanie Foster's Yoga: Beginners Level*, David MacNamara, VIDEO 613.7046

### For Two

Make a whistle, *Whittlin' Whistles and Thingamajigs: The Pioneer Book of Nature Crafts and Recreation Arts*, Harlan Metcalf, 745.592 M588

Play Canasta, *Card Games for Two*, Sean Callery, 795.4 C157C

### Add More

Put on a readers' theater, *Fifty Fabulous Fables: Beginning Readers' Theatre*, Suzanne Barchers, J 812.08 BARC

Learn to ice skate, *Ice Skating Basics*, Aaron Foeste, 796.91 F645I

Start a book club, *A Year of Reading*, Elisabeth Ellington, 806 E46Y

Make goulash and invite the neighborhood, *Real Stew: 300 Recipes*, Clifford Wright, 641.813 W948R

Rent a barn and host a square dance, *Square Dance and Contra Dance Handbook*, Margot Gunzenhauser, 793.3 G977S.

# A Look At Toys For Young, Once-Young



Jean McGroarty of the Tippecanoe County Historical Association, pictured, will bring toys from the past to the downtown library for **Senior Day, 10 a.m., Tuesday, Nov. 18.**

It's Senior Day at the library, and youngsters are invited, too, to enjoy the fun!

Toys from yesteryear take center stage in a fun-filled program at **10 a.m., Tuesday, Nov. 18**, at the downtown library.

Educator and historian Jean McGroarty, from the Tippecanoe County Historical Association, will present "Toys From Our Past," bringing an array of toys sure to prompt memories and draw interest.

The program is free, open to the public and reservations are not required. Refreshments will be served.

The library is wheelchair accessible. Transportation may be available; check on availability through: Area IV, 447-7683; Access, 742-2121, CityBus, 742-7433; or Care-A-Van, 449-1117.

## Historic Home Talk Nov. 13

If walls could talk, what would your home say? Learn the basics of "listening" to a home's history by attending Angela Bowen's program, "**Historic Homes,**" **Thursday, Nov. 13, at 7 p.m.** at the downtown library.

Former Wabash Valley Trust for Historic Preservation director and now Tippecanoe County Historical Association assistant director, Bowen



brings a wealth of historical background to her free presentation. Reservations are not required.

## Write Your Way To A New World

The free Looseleaf Writing Workshops hosted in association with *Sycamore Review*, Purdue University's literary magazine, continue for adults in November.

All sessions are at the downtown library. Please register by calling 429-0119.

### Tabloid Fiction

**Wednesday, Nov. 19, 7 p.m.**

Instructors Allegra Mathers and Lindy Patterson will teach how to save your fiction from boring conventionality by taking tips from supermarket tabloids.

### Recapture Your Youth Through Poetry

**Sunday, Nov. 23, 2 p.m.**

Instructor Loretta Barnes invites you to show your age and experience writing poems that express what makes you feel alive and young.

### Poetry & Allusion

**Sunday, Nov. 30, 2 p.m.**

Instructor Cody Lumpkin will discuss making your way through myth by tapping Greek Mythology and childhood fairy tales—gold mines of poetic content.

# We Get By With Help From Our Friends

From volunteers to contributors, many a friend gives your library a helping hand. Here, we celebrate several and share announcements.

## Bank Showers Library With Gifts



*Randy Williams, president of Lafayette Savings Bank, tours the campus library with Librarian Sarah Brown.*

Pop open that Lafayette Savings Bank umbrella logo! The bank is showering the library with gifts. That's the word from the Library Foundation, which reports that the literary arts are the latest to receive a contribution from the community bank founded in 1869 by John Purdue.

The bank contributed \$10,000 to help stock the shelves of the new campus library. In its honor, a second-floor study room has been named the Lafayette Savings Bank Room.

"I'm a huge proponent of using the library," says LSB president Randy Williams. "From a Lafayette Savings Bank point of view, we hope to help more people understand all the interesting and meaningful things that can be found in the library and to expand its use to a larger group of people."

Today, Lafayette Savings Bank is the largest locally owned and operated bank, with five full-service financial offices and more than 100 employees.

To discuss individual or corporate giving of your own, contact Amy Paget, Planning & Development Librarian, 429-0167.

## Volunteer Spotlight: DeYoung



*John DeYoung*

Since 1992, John DeYoung has been a regular volunteer at your library. His task: pre-searching titles before they go to the catalogers. He came to this volunteer post after a 28-year career at West Lafayette High School.

## Taylor Ends Board Service

*by Jos N. Holman, County Librarian*

In October, TCPL said good-bye to long-time library supporter, friend and servant Dan Taylor, who resigned from the Board of Trustees after almost eight years. Dan served as board president and facilities committee chair, leading the effort to construct the new campus library. He'll continue serving on the campus library joint board as well as his post as executive director of Trinity Mission.

Dan is appreciated for his insight, integrity and leadership while giving time to TCPL.

## Friends Host Sale Dec. 5-7

A "Dickens of a Book Sale" by the Friends of the Library returns to the downtown library in December.

On tap: nearly new books appropriate for gifts, boutique items, old-book attic treasures and a silent auction of rare and out-of-print items.

### Three-Day Sale

Join us:

- **Friday, December 5, 7:30 to 9:30 p.m.**, friends members only, with memberships starting at \$10 available at the door
- **Saturday, December 6, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.**
- **Sunday, December 7, 1 to 6 p.m.**, all books half-price.

All proceeds are used to benefit the library.

### Silent Auction

Some of the 25 silent auction items, which can be seen in the downtown library lobby display case, include:

- *America's Beloved Illustrators* by Susan E. Meyer, 1978 leather-bound

limited edition

- Boxed set of complete Little House books by Laura Ingalls Wilder
- *Charles M. Russell: The Life and Work of the Cowboy Artist* by Harold McCracken, 1957
- *Chicago Daily Tribune Centennial Edition: Tribune's First 100 Years*, 1947
- *Cubs Collection: 100 Years of Chicago Cubs Images* by Mark Stang, 2001
- Five miniature dolls representing different nationalities
- Three Shirley Temple DVDs: *Bright Eyes*, *Dimples* and *Heidi*.

## Foundation Seeks Gifts

During this season of sharing, local businessman and Library Foundation board president Don Stein invites you to join him in making a tax-deductible gift to the Library Foundation. Your contribution becomes part of a carefully invested endowment that helps build an exciting future of innovative library service.

Please send checks payable to TCPLF to 627 South Street, Lafayette, Ind., 47901-1407.

If you have questions about gift-making options, call Planning & Development Librarian Amy Paget, 429-0167.



# Director's Notes



by Jos N. Holman,  
County Librarian

Soon, the Tippecanoe County Public Library will have a wonderful opportunity to engage in one of the most beneficial

processes crucial to any organization's existence. The TCPL Board of Trustees will embark on a journey to create a new long-range plan for the library. The current long-range plan will expire on December 31, 2003. Over the past four years, countless objectives have been met in the effort to complete the goals of the current plan. Though every objective has not been achieved, the library board and staff have every reason to be proud of what has been accomplished through bold insight, outstanding leadership and simply hard work.

A good long-range plan gives an organization a designed path to pursue. It provides a plan of action whereby the organization can appropriately allocate its resources, implement new ideas and the initiatives to support them, and measure the organization's effectiveness against this same plan of action. It helps to shape the future in relation to library services and programs, policies and procedures, and ultimately, quality service to library customers.

Speaking of library customers, their input will be extremely important when efforts are coordinated to begin work on this new long-range plan. Members of the community will be asked to share their perspectives of current library services. Also, library customers will be asked to participate in the development of new ideas and services. Combined with reports from library staff members and Board members, community input will lead to a vision of

improved library services and programs.

Who knows exactly what will come about when the library engages in the process of developing a new long-range plan. However, based on the assertion of the current plan, the library will still seek to be the leader in information resources for the residents of Tippecanoe County. In order to continue this vision, your help will be needed. If you are approached about participating in this critical activity, I hope you will carefully consider the important capacity in which you would be privileged to serve. It is not very often that one gets a chance to have a direct impact on the future of an organization. Even less often, a person has an opportunity to have an expressed impact on a public institution with the potential to serve the entire community on such a wide scale basis. I hope you will seriously consider assisting TCPL in this noteworthy stage of our continued existence. After all, "We exist to serve you!"

## Calendar

### November

- 11 Toddler Storytime, ages 24-42 months, downtown, 10 a.m.  
Campus Storytime and Crafts, 10:30 a.m. and 2 p.m.
- 12 Lapsit Storytime, birth to 24 months, downtown, 10 a.m.
- 13 Stories Under the Sculpture, all ages, downtown, 2 p.m.  
Tolkien Trivia for Teens, downtown, 7 p.m.  
Historic Home Talk, downtown, 7 p.m.
- 14 Lapsit Storytime, birth to 24 months, downtown, 10 a.m.
- 15 Stories Under the Sculpture, all ages, downtown, 10:30 a.m.  
2003 Books Too Good To Miss, downtown, 2 p.m.
- 16 Born to Read Workshop, downtown, 3 p.m.
- 18 Toddler Storytime, ages 24-42 months, downtown, 10 a.m.  
Toys for Young, Once-Young, downtown, 10 a.m.  
Campus Storytime and Crafts, 10:30 a.m. and 2 p.m.  
Friends Board meeting, 7:30 p.m.
- 19 Lapsit Storytime, birth to 24 months, downtown, 10 a.m.  
Murder by the Book Club, campus, 10 a.m.  
All Write for teens, downtown, 7 p.m.  
Writers Workshop, Tabloid Fiction, downtown, 7 p.m.
- 20 Eclectic Book Club, downtown, 10 a.m.  
Stories Under the Sculpture, all ages, downtown, 2 p.m.  
Bilingual Storytime, all ages, campus, 7 p.m.
- 21 Author Gwendolyn Battle-Lavert, downtown, 4:30 p.m.
- 22 Stories Under the Sculpture, all ages, downtown, 10:30 a.m.  
Captain Underpants Party, ages 6-12, campus, 10:30 a.m.;  
downtown, 2 p.m.
- 23 Writers Workshop, Recapture Your Youth, downtown, 2 p.m.
- 25 Toddler Storytime, ages 24-42 months, downtown, 10 a.m.  
Campus Storytime and Crafts, 10:30 a.m. and 2 p.m.

- 26 Lapsit Storytime, birth to 24 months, downtown, 10 a.m.
- 27 Campus and downtown libraries closed
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- 29 Stories Under the Sculpture, all ages, downtown, 10:30 a.m.
- 30 Writers Workshop, Poetry & Allusion, downtown, 2 p.m.

### December

- 2 Campus Storytime and Crafts, 10:30 a.m. and 2 p.m.  
Fiction Book Club, downtown, 7 p.m.  
Board of Trustees meeting, 7:30 p.m.
- 4 Bilingual Stories Under the Sculpture, all ages, downtown, 2 p.m.
- 5 Friends Dickens of a Book Sale, downtown, 7:30 p.m.
- 6 Friends Dickens of a Book Sale, downtown, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.  
Stories Under the Sculpture, all ages, downtown, 10:30 a.m.
- 7 Friends Dickens of a Book Sale, downtown, 1 to 6 p.m.
- 9 Campus Storytime and Crafts, 10:30 a.m. and 2 p.m.  
Basic Internet and Email, campus, 12 noon
- 11 Stories Under the Sculpture, all ages, downtown, 2 p.m.
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Friends board meeting, 7:30 p.m.
- 17 All Write for teens, downtown, 7 p.m.
- 18 Eclectic Book Club, downtown, 10 a.m.
- 18 Stories Under the Sculpture, all ages, downtown, 2 p.m.  
Bilingual Storytime, all ages, campus, 7 p.m.
- 20 Stories Under the Sculpture, all ages, downtown, 10:30 a.m.
- 24 Campus and downtown libraries closed
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- 29 Laser Show, downtown, 10:30 a.m., 2 p.m. and 7 p.m.
- 31 Campus and downtown libraries closed

# Winter Fun For Youth, Teens, Families

## Kids Cozy Up At Storytimes

Both the downtown and campus libraries are hosting numerous storytimes in November and December.

Downtown features age-specific and all-age storytimes.

At the campus library, storytime sessions follow a theme and include a related craft project. They're open to all ages at 10:30 a.m. and 2 p.m. Upcoming themes:

- Nov. 11, Counting
- Nov. 18, Dreams
- Nov. 25, Thanksgiving
- Dec. 2, Fox Tales
- Dec. 9, Snow
- Dec. 16, Santa Stories

Check the calendar in this issue for dates and times of all our story sessions, then make your next adventure a trip to the library!

## Books For Babies

Learn how to choose and share books with your baby and add a song or game to the activity at Born to Read, **3 p.m., Sunday, Nov. 16**, at the downtown library. Babies welcome! Parents get a take-home packet, too, at this free event.

Registration requested; please call 429-0119.

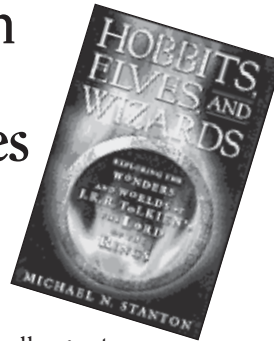
## Take A Peek At Great New Books

Teachers, parents, grandparents and older children are invited to preview books published in 2003 rated "too good to miss" at a program presented by Shirley Mullin at **2 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 15** at the downtown library.

Owner of Indianapolis' Kids Ink Children's Bookstore, Mullin is a former children's librarian and presenter at Butler Children's Literature Conference. Her program will cover trends in children's literature. She'll also discuss information about the books' authors, editors and illustrators.

She'll bring along copies of the books she recommends, which can be purchased that day, with proceeds going to the Friends of the Tippecanoe County Public Library.

## Tolkien Trivia Challenges Teens



Teens are invited to dive into the Tolkien Trivia challenge at **7 p.m., Thursday, Nov. 13**. Questions come from the J.R.R. Tolkien books and recent movies. Snacks will be provided to fuel your energy for the games.

This free program is for ages 13 to 18. No registration is required, just a love of Tolkien!

## Teen Writers Meet Monthly

Writers aged 13 to 18 are invited to All Write!, a free writing, reading and critiquing group meeting at **7 p.m.** the third Wednesday of every month. Join us **Nov. 19** when we'll participate in a Looseleaf Writing Workshop (reservations requested by calling 429-0119) and **Dec. 17**, when we'll return to our standard meeting format.

For more information, contact Mynda Britton, [mbritton@tcpl.lib.in.us](mailto:mbritton@tcpl.lib.in.us), 429-0119.



## Party With Captain Underpants Nov. 22

Children ages 6 through 12 are invited to celebrate Dav Pilkey's hypno-ring victim/super-hero, Captain Underpants, at a free one-hour party **Saturday, Nov. 22**. Refreshments will be served; crafts and activities are on the agenda.

The campus library hosts the party at **10:30 a.m.**; to register, call 772-9388.

The downtown library hosts the party at **2 p.m.**; to register, call 429-0119.

## Children's Book Week Nov. 15-22

Children's Book Week is November 15 to 22. Celebrate with your child by reading and visiting your library.

## Teens: Give Us Advice

Teens interested in having a say about the library are invited to participate in the Teen Advisory Board, meeting at **7 p.m.** the first Thursday of every month. Next meeting: **Dec. 4**.



Downtown Library  
627 South Street • Lafayette, IN 47901-1407  
Telephone (765) 429-0100 • www.tcpl.lib.in.us  
Mon. - Thurs., 9 a.m. - 9 p.m.  
Fri. - Sat., 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.; Sun., 1 - 6 p.m.

Campus Library  
P.O. Box 4639 • 3101 S. Creasy Lane  
Lafayette, IN 47903  
Telephone (765) 772-9380  
Mon - Thurs., 8 a.m. - 8 p.m.  
Fri. - 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.  
Sat., 9:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.; Sun., 1 - 5 p.m.

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# Warm Up With A Good Book Discussion

Share the excitement of a good read by joining one of our book discussions.

## Bilingual/Bilingue

Meets **12 noon every few weeks on a Saturday**, downtown library; English and Spanish; for details, call Reference Librarian Amina Gabrielova, 429-0216.

## Book Clique

Online discourse; signup at [www.tcpl.lib.in.us](http://www.tcpl.lib.in.us).

**November:** *Secret Life of Bees*, Sue Monk Kidd

**December,** Best of 2003

## Eclectic

Meets **10 a.m.**, third Thursdays, downtown library.

**November 20:** *The Lovely Bones*, Alice Sebold

**December 18:** Christmas lunch

## Fiction

Meets **7 p.m.**, first Tuesdays, downtown library.

**December 2:** *The No. 1 Ladies Detective Agency*, Alexander McCall Smith

## Murder by the Book

Meets **10 a.m.**, fourth Wednesdays, campus library.

**November 19:** *Culinary Mysteries* (third Wednesday this month)

December: No meeting



## Sample Our New Magazines

These are our newest periodicals:

### Downtown Library

#### Adults

*Antiques Roadshow*

*Insider*

*Conde Nast Traveler*

*Creating Keepsakes*

*Dance Spirit*

*Fitness*

*InStyle*

*Nuts & Volts*

*Organic Style*

*Taste of Home*

#### Teens

*American Cheerleader*

*Big Brother*

*Skateboarding*

*Animerica*

*Shonen Jump*

#### Youth

*Adoptive Families*

*American Baby*

*Appleseeds*

*Footsteps*

### Campus Library

*American Baby*

*American Cheerleader*

*American Girl*

*Creating Keepsakes*

*Glamour en Espanol*

*InStyle*

*Taste of Home Light & Tasty*