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LIBRARY NEWS

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TCPL Lures Animals, Authors, And Readers

Wildlife Conflict Resolution

Thursday, November 9
7:00 p.m., adult
Downtown
Alfred J. and Dorothy N. McAllister
Meeting Room B

Discover peaceful ways to deal with the woodchuck living under your deck or the raccoons in your attic! Dennis Hayes, Assistant Director of the Wildcat Wildlife Center (Delphi, IN), will help increase your understanding of and appreciation for native Indiana wildlife. Explore humane, non-lethal methods of conflict resolution between humans and animals. Find out how we can survive and thrive together with our wild neighbors.

For questions and suggestions for Adult Programs, please call 429-0113 or e-mail us at www.tcpl.lib.in.us/ref

Regarding Kate Klise

Tuesday, November 14
7:00 – 8:00 p.m., all ages
Downtown
Alfred J. and Dorothy N. McAllister
Meeting Rooms

Snowbound in the Missouri Ozarks, Kate Klise wrote the rough draft of *Regarding the Fountain: A Tale of Leaks and Liars*. She then faxed the manuscript to her sister, Sarah Klise, in the middle of the night. The book, published in 1998, is filled with Sarah's detailed artwork. The sisters continue to work together on their series of *Regarding the…* Come hear older sister, Kate, encourage young writers and talk about her writing. Her latest title is *Regarding the Bathrooms: A Privy to the Past*.

Note: In addition to writing books for youth, Kate is a magazine correspondent and musical theater playwright. Writers and readers of all ages will enjoy this program.

Author Kate Klise

Emily Allen, Ph.D.

Experience A Victorian Christmas

Saturday, December 9
2:00 p.m., all ages
Downtown
Alfred J. and Dorothy N.
McAllister Meeting Rooms

What was Christmas like in Victorian England? What made Victorian holiday customs so popular they still endure today? This program invites you to see, experience, and understand holiday traditions straight from the pages of Dickens and period authors. Emily Allen, Associate Professor of English at Purdue University, specializes in Victorian literature and culture. She lives in a Victorian house and plans a Victorian Christmas at home.

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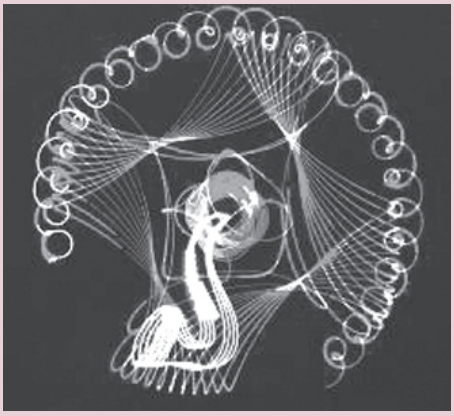
Winter Wonder Fun

Every Child Ready To Read
Parent & Caregiver Workshop
Saturday, November 11
10:00 – 11:00 a.m.
Downtown, Alfred J. and Dorothy N. McAllister Meeting Rooms

Hear new ideas on how to make book sharing more enjoyable for 4-5 year olds. Explore age-appropriate books and materials. Learn to help children hear the sounds that make words while playing "Say It Slow, Say It Fast" and the "Letter Day" games. This is a program for parents and caregivers. Registration is requested. Call 429-0119.

Book Carnival
Friday, November 17
3:30 – 5:30 p.m., ages 7-12
Downtown, Alfred J. and Dorothy N. McAllister Meeting Rooms

Pilkey, DiCamillo, Cleary, BINGO! Celebrate Children's Book Week, and join us for Author Bingo, mystery puzzles, fairy crafts, and more, involving your favorite books.



J&K Laser Productions

Winter Break Laser Show
Thursday, December 28
10:30 a.m., 2:00 & 7:00 p.m.
Downtown, Alfred J. and Dorothy N. McAllister Meeting Rooms

Families can come in from the cold for books and a great laser show. View dazzlingly colorful laser animations. See cartoons and beam effects dance to a musical soundtrack. Watch laser beams slice through the air adding dramatic "Star Wars" effects. J&K Laser Productions uses the latest technologies and full-color projection for powerful beam effects.

Seating is limited. Program is free but requires advance tickets. Starting Friday, December 15, you may reserve free tickets at the Downtown Library Ask Here Desk or by calling 429-0119.

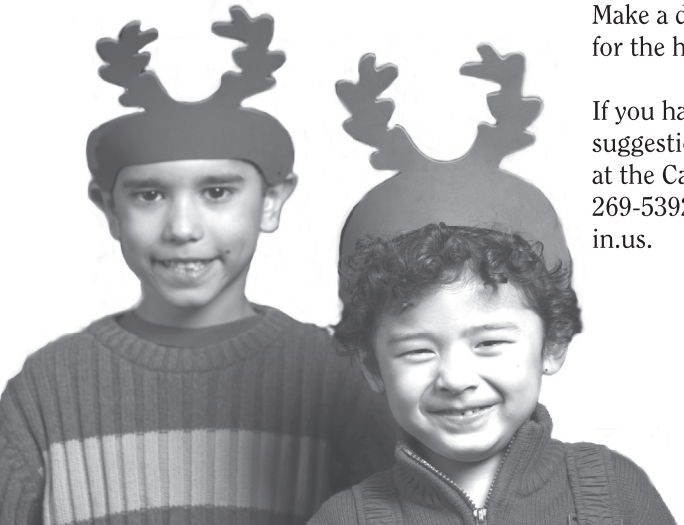
Homework Help Online
The online Grolier Multimedia Encyclopedia is an excellent resource for challenging homework assignments. It's a great tool for assistance at all school age levels. The seven encyclopedia databases include Encyclopedia Americana, the New Book of Knowledge, Lands and People, plus international newspapers, magazine articles, and more. Visit www.tcpl.lib.in.us/ref/er/html.

If you have questions, comments, or suggestions for the Downtown Youth Department, please call 429-0119 or e-mail us at youthdesk@tcpl.lib.in.us.

Campus: Flights And Fancies

Fly The Skies: Paper Airplanes
Monday, November 6
4:00 – 5:30 p.m., ages 7 to 12
Friends Program Room

Buckle your seat belts! It's National Aviation Month. Design, build, and fly your own paper planes. Win "top flight" prizes. No registration is required.



Christmas Stories And Crafts
Tuesday, December 19
10:30 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.
Families of all ages
Friends Program Room

Jingle bells, Santa, and candy canes all tell us our favorite time of the year is here! Celebrate with Christmas stories. Make a decoration and gift just in time for the holiday.

If you have questions, comments, or suggestions for the Youth Department at the Campus Library, please call 269-5392 or e-mail sgoebel@tcpl.lib.in.us.

Friends Count Down To Winter

Mark your calendar for the Friends December sale. As they "Count Down To Winter," the Friends will feature a variety of gift quality and practically perfect items.

- Friday, December 1, 7:30 – 9:30 p.m.
  Members only night
- Saturday, December 2
  9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.
- Sunday, December 3
  1:00 – 6:00 p.m. All books half price
- Monday, December 4
  9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Books $2 a grocery bag (bags provided)

Items for Friends sales are accepted year 'round at the checkout desk during library hours. Please leave multiple boxes at the loading dock on the west end of the Downtown Library.

Director's Notes

by Jos N. Holman, County Librarian

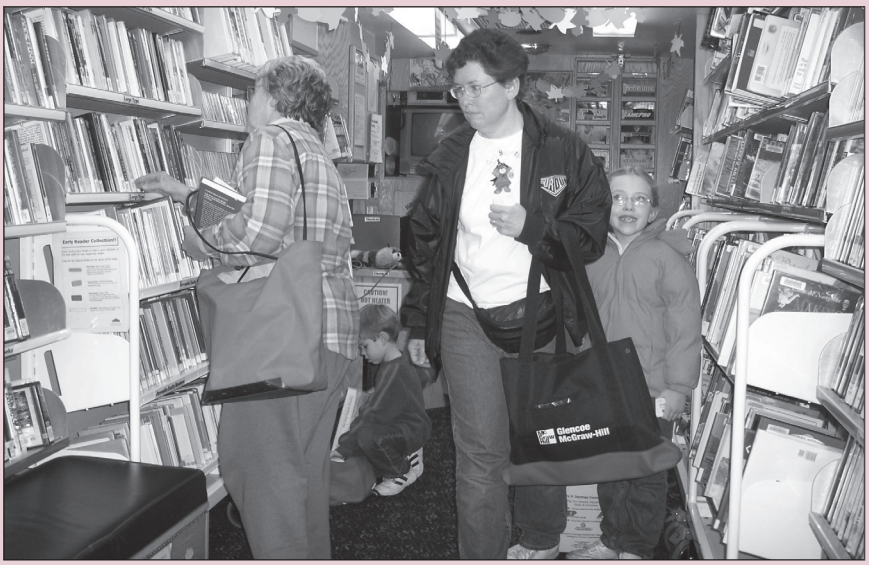
According to my records, this is the 25th library column written since I came to TCPL. No, it doesn't represent 25 years of work, but the idea of the passage of time is surely represented in the number of TCPL columns I have authored. In the grand scheme of things, it is not even five years of service to this institution. However, writing each column has been interesting, challenging, reflective, and ultimately rewarding.

So, what do I write about for a 25th column? A library service? West Branch construction activities? Library funding and finances? Circulation statistics of library materials? Governance of the library through its policies? Why I am here?

Power Of Information
Interestingly enough, I went back to my first column and saw it focused on information – the information needs of customers, our institution as an information provider, and the power of information. In rereading that column, the "why I am here" question became the obvious choice of what to write about. Certainly being offered a job and the willingness to accept the pay was a part of my coming here. However, the primary reason for being here is the idea of playing a part in directing a service organization and maximizing its resources to aid individuals in the retrieval and use of information.

Rarity Of Free Information
The role of the public library is a unique one and rarely duplicated in other local institutions. As a public library we serve everyone without regard to age or sex, religious or ethnic background, educational ability or economic status. The existence of a free daily service that offers valuable resources to whomever chooses to use those resources is increasingly less common. Having responsibility in an institution equipped to provide organized resources for personal, cultural, and intellectual growth is immensely satisfying. Working toward our vision of helping library users explore and enjoy excellent resources that enrich their lives and our community's life, today and tomorrow, is something worth doing.

Information Makes A Difference
It is the role of the public library that is attractive to me and why I am here. The assurance of knowing our library services continuously impact and influence lives is fulfilling. To know the library made a difference in someone's life yesterday, today, and will do so tomorrow is ultimately satisfying. My only hope is that I can fulfill my responsibility in such a way as to validate a quote from Lady Bird Johnson, "Perhaps no place in any community is so totally democratic as the town library. The only entrance requirement is interest."



Barb Hilderbrand, Erik, Betsy, and Brooke Cederquist visit Mobile Library.

Outreach Gears Up For 2007

This fall nearly 250 librarians and support staff throughout the U.S. attended the 2006 Association of Bookmobiles and Outreach Services/Association of Rural and Small Libraries (ABOS/ARSL) Conference in Columbus, Ohio. Breakout sessions included new technologies, diversity opportunities, and services for children in preschool and childcare.

"It was obvious to me that outreach and bookmobile staff nationwide are dedicated to the cause of taking public library resources and services into the community," said Angela Clements, Head Outreach Librarian. "The TCPL staff reflects the same commitment to people throughout Tippecanoe County."

TCPL Outreach Services provide library materials and services to people who need and value the convenience of Mobile Library Services. Additional services include: Library Link, a homebound program; visits and deliveries to institutions; plus participation in special events and programs. For schedule information call 429-0200 or visit www.tcpl.lib.in.us/bkm and click on "Current Schedule."

Snug As A Bug For The Holidays

When winter comes calling, it will have to knock first! By the time you read this newsletter, the roof will be done, walls insulated, windows and doors weather-proofed. As you enter the expansive new space, you can almost hear the echo of children's laughter.

The West Branch is located in northwest Tippecanoe County, at the intersection of Lindberg Road and Cushing Drive, just off Klondike Road.

To visit our West Branch Construction site, go to www.tcpl.lib.in.us/westbranch

Book Clubs

Group Meetings

Downtown Library
Holiday changes and cancellations are listed below. Resolve to enjoy more reading in 2007!

- **Eclectic Book Club**
  Meets 10:00 a.m., third Thursdays, Downtown
  November 16: *The Prize Winner Of Defiance, Ohio,* Terry Ryan
  December: No meeting
- **Fiction Book Club**
  Meets 7:00 p.m., first Tuesdays, Downtown
  November 7: *My Latest Grievance,* Elinor Lipman
  December 5: TBA

Campus Library

- **Murder By The Book**
  Meets 10:00 a.m., fourth Wednesdays, Campus
  Note: November meeting changes to ***third*** Wednesday
  November 15: *The Eyre Affair,* Jasper Fforde
  Potluck and carry-in brunch
  December: No meeting

Online Discussions

- **Book Clique**
  November: *The Eyre Affair,* Jasper Fforde
  December: Best of 2006
  www.tcpl.lib.in.us/ref/bookgroup.html
- **Faction Fiction**
  November: *Fortress of Solitude,* Jonathan Lethem
  December: Cult Fiction Discussion
  www.tcpl.lib.in.us/ref/faction.html

To find out more, visit: www.tcpl.lib.in.us/ref/bookgroups.html

Calendar

A perfect season for reading begins! As you review the many programs and services offered, please remember all TCPL programs are free and open to the public. Unless noted, no registration is required. If you need special assistance while attending a program, please call 429-0100.

November

6 Paper Airplane Crafts, Campus, 4:00 – 5:30 p.m.
Board of Trustees meeting, Downtown, 7:30 p.m.
7 Election Day, all TCPL libraries open.
Fiction Book Club, Downtown, 7:00 p.m.
9 Wildlife Conflict Resolution, Downtown, 7:00 p.m.
11 Every Child Ready To Read, Parents of 4-5 year olds, Downtown, 10:00-11:00 a.m.
14 Regarding Kate Klise, Downtown, 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.
15 Murder By The Book, Campus, 10:00 a.m.
16 Eclectic Book Club, Downtown, 10:00 a.m.
17 Book Carnival, Downtown, 3:30 – 5:30 p.m.
23 Thanksgiving, all library facilities closed
24-hour services at www.tcpl.lib.in.us
24 Ivy Tech and Campus Branch closed.
(Downtown Library open 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.)

December

1 Friends Used Book Sale, Downtown, 7:30 – 9:30 p.m.
2 Friends Used Book Sale, Downtown, 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.
3 Friends Used Book Sale, Downtown, 1:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.
4 Friends Used Book Sale, Downtown, 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
5 Fiction Book Club, Downtown, 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.
Board of Trustees meeting, Downtown, 7:30 p.m.
9 Victorian Christmas, Downtown, 2:00 p.m.
19 Christmas Stories & Crafts, Campus, 10:30 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.
24 All library facilities closed
24-hour services at www.tcpl.lib.in.us
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28 Winter Break Laser Show, Downtown, 10:30 a.m., 2:00 and 7:00 p.m.
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January

1 All library facilities closed
24-hour services at www.tcpl.lib.in.us

Library Storytimes

Downtown Library:
November, December
These three storytimes will meet **through November 22** and not in December. Storytimes will resume **January 6**.

Lapsit, newborn to 24 months
9:30 a.m.
Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays
Rhymes, finger plays, songs and more

Toddler Times, 24- to 42-month-olds
10:15 a.m.
Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays
Books, rhymes, crafts and more

Preschool Storytimes, 3½- to 6-year-olds, **11:00 a.m. Wednesdays**
Stories, songs, fingerplays and more

Stories Under the Sculpture, all ages
10:30 a.m., Saturdays
This storytime meets **every Saturday in November and December 2, 9, and 16.**

Campus Library:
November, December
The Campus Library features **Family Storytime** for all ages at **10:30 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. every Tuesday** plus **10:30 a.m. every Friday.** You'll enjoy stories, songs, and crafts. Join in on **November 3, 7, 10, 14, 17, 21, 28,** and **December 1.** Storytimes will resume **January 2.**

Make Reading Special

- Set a special time each day for books
- Turn off the television and other distractions
- Encourage your child to point out objects, repeat words, and talk about the pictures.

What is a lapsit?
Lapsits are a chance for very young children to enjoy rhymes, bounces, tickles, and activity songs. These are fun, interactive programs for newborns and children up to 24-months old.

To find out more about TCPL programs and services, visit www.tcpl.lib.in.us

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Downtown Library
627 South Street • Lafayette, IN 47901-1470
Telephone (765) 429-0100
Building hours:
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) 269-5380
Building hours:
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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Gifts for "Hard to Buy For"

It's the holiday season, and wish lists are top of mind. Donations in honor of someone might be the perfect gift to please and surprise. At TCPL, the West Branch offers a variety of gift opportunities:

- Double-and single-face bookshelves
- Table and four chairs for group seating
- Revolving book displayers
- Chairs for adults and children
- Book carts
- Magazine collection support
- Exterior landscaping plants and materials

Gifts to The Tippecanoe County Public Library Foundation are tax deductible and may be given in several forms, including estate giving, memorial gifts, planned gifts, gifts in kind, and cash donations. We'll even send a gift acknowledgement to the person being honored. To find out more, please contact Amy Paget, Assistant County Librarian, at 429-0101.

Stay In Your Comfort Zone

New Wireless Access
From almost anywhere in the Downtown Library, TCPL cardholders now can access the Internet and search millions of magazine articles, INSPIRE and automotive databases. All it takes is a laptop computer or a personal digital assistant (PDA) with a network adapter using 802.11 standards.

Introduction to Wireless
Q: What is wireless?
A. Wireless Internet access uses radio frequency signals to exchange data (without cables) between your laptop/PDA and the TCPL network.

Q. Why use wireless?
A. It allows you to use your own equipment, spend unlimited time online, and sit almost anywhere in the library.

Q. Will TCPL provide technical support?
A. With so many computer/PDA systems now in use, TCPL staff cannot help visitors configure their own equipment. We do provide a list of tips and settings information. For detailed instructions, consult the equipment manufacturer.

Q. What should I do to get started?
A. TCPL registration is relatively simple, and access is filtered according to library policies and procedures. To find out more, ask the Information Desk downtown.

Q. Do Campus Library users have access to wireless?
A. Yes, but Ivy Tech wireless sign-up information, policies, and procedures apply at the Campus Library.

Q. Is wireless just a fad?
A. In its first year, wireless Internet usage at Purdue University increased 300%.