The Future Arrives @ TCPL

New! E-Books & Audio Books @ TCPL

Some people curl up with library materials in traditional print and recorded formats. Others want to download library books in digital and audio formats at home, at work, or when traveling. With the addition of this new e-book collection, cardholders may now do both.

Over 600 titles in audio books (recorded readings of books) and nearly 250 digitized books and graphic novels will be available.

As with traditional library materials, TCPL cardholders may check out these items or place holds on them. The difference is that items in this new collection are downloaded (copied) to a personal computer or personal digital assistant (PDA).

You have the option of downloading one part at a time, multiple parts, or the entire book.

What does it take to access?
- a valid TCPL card
- Internet access (dial-up or broadband)
- free software

This new downloadable collection is made possible by a group of public libraries throughout Indiana. It gives TCPL customers access to a large collection for many reading levels. Collection includes recent bestsellers in fiction and nonfiction.

For start dates and more information, check the TCPL web site.

**Important:** Digital books are not available for downloading from library computers.

Come Celebrate
The Downtown Youth Room Re-Opening

Saturday, December 6
10:30 a.m. Stories Under the Sculpture with Peter Rabbit
11:00 a.m. Dickens of A Christmas Musical Interlude
12:00 p.m. Ribbon Cutting Ceremony Throughout the afternoon Refreshments, crafts & stories Peter Rabbit, Beatrix Potter & Friends

Sunday, December 7
1:00-5:00 p.m. Family Open House

Holiday Closings
All library buildings close for Thanksgiving, November 27; Christmas, December 24 & 25; also New Year, December 31 & January 1. Note: only Tippecanoe County/Ivy Tech Library closes November 28.
Fall Into Science – Final Three!
4:00-5:00 p.m., ages 8-12
Challenge your mind about the stars and constellations. Explore navigation and timekeeping. Tackle the weighty issue of gravity.

Star Bright, Star Light
Campus: Thursday, November 6
SpaceTime
Downtown: Wednesday, November 12
Gravity. It works!
Klondike: Tuesday, November 18

Early Sign Language
Saturday, November 8
Two Programs, Downtown
10:30 & 11:00 a.m.
Designed for children up to 7, plus parents and caregivers. Sign language sometimes helps bridge the communications gap between youth and adults. Alicia Iles presents an overview about the benefits of learning and using sign language with children from birth to seven years old. Registration required. Call 429-0119.

All About Abe
Monday, November 10
Downtown Library
2:00 p.m., ages 8-12; registration required. Call 429-0119.
7:00 p.m., all ages. Open attendance.

Hear how Abe Lincoln almost drowned as a boy. Laugh at Abe’s practical jokes. See how the jokes were sometimes on Abe.

Storyteller Doyne Carson brings Abe to life and answers all your questions. Join TCPL in celebrating the upcoming 200th birthday of our 16th president!

Winter Break Laser Shows
Tuesday, December 30
10:30 a.m., 3:00 & 7:00 p.m. Downtown, all ages
Enjoy animation and dazzling laser beam effects choreographed to music. See additional beams create dramatic “Star Wars” effects. J&K Laser productions combines the latest technologies and full-color projection to create powerful beam effects. Seating is limited. No admission is charged. Tickets available starting December 15; call 429-0119.

Curious About The Youth Room Remodel?

Q: Why does the youth room have to close for remodeling?
A: Closing the room keeps you safe and speeds the remodel. After nineteen years, we needed new carpeting and different furniture. The room will be completely emptied.

Q: How many books and materials are in the room?
A: 80,000 items

Q: What happens to all the books and materials?
A: All your favorite books and materials will be stored and unavailable for use until December 6.

Q: What happens if I return library materials during the closing?
A: Please return materials on time. During closing, we expect and made special arrangements for around 9,000 youth items to be returned. Note: Any youth holds we receive will be completed after we re-open.

Q: If everything is different, how can I find my favorite books?
A: Stop by the Ask Here Desk for a tour.

Q: What will be “new” about the youth room?
A: Look for colorful new carpeting, additional shelving, a redesigned computer area, and four new people chairs. The preschool area moves to under the sculpture. For very young children there’s a new learning activity wall. Come see all the shapes and new colors!

Q: Can I still go to storytimes @ the library?
A: Yes, there are Family Storytimes at the Tippecanoe County/Ivy Tech Library on Tuesdays and Fridays, and at the Klondike Branch on Wednesdays.

Q: When can I visit the youth room again?
A: Our re-opening celebration is December 6 & 7. Please join us for refreshments, crafts, and stories that weekend.

To register for Youth Programs call 429-0119 or visit any TCPL Youth Desk. Visit the “Kids” and “Teens” new web pages at www.tcpl.lib.in.us
Teens & Storytimes

**Teen Library Club (TLC)**
First Thursdays, ages 14-18  
Thursday, December 4  
Campus, 7:00-8:00 p.m.  
The road trip continues! Join us at the Campus Library and explore its resources. Decorate cookies. Chat about holiday reading lists.

**Middle School Library Guild (m.s.L.G.)**
Second Thursdays, ages 11-13  
November 13 & December 11  
Downtown, 7:00-8:00 p.m.  
Want to find great reads, meet new friends, and hang out at the library? m.s.L.G. is the group for you.

**Listening for Lions** by Gloria Whelan – You’ll be rooting for 13-year-old Rachel to make the right choices from East Africa to England and back again. Lies, greed, wit and triumph fill the pages of this novel. A 2008-2009 Young Hoosier nominee.

**The True Meaning of Smekday** by Adam Rex – The antics of the misfit duo of Gratuity “Tip” Tucci and bumbling alien J.Lo who has an appetite for dental floss and air fresheners will keep you rolling with laughter. Illustrated with photos, drawings, newspaper clippings and comic strips.

Library Storytimes

Due to the Youth Room remodel, Downtown storytimes end Saturday, November 15. All other storytimes end Wednesday, November 26. Winter storytimes begin January 6, 2009.

**Downtown**
Lapsit, newborn to 24 months  
Mornings: 9:30 a.m.  
Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Fridays  
Evenings: 6:30 p.m.  
Tuesday, November 11  
Rhymes, finger plays, songs and more  

Toddler Time, 24- to 42-month-olds  
Mornings: 10:15 a.m.  
Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Fridays  
Evenings: 6:30 p.m.  
Tuesday, November 4  
Books, rhymes, crafts and more  

Preschool Storytime, 3½ to 6-year-olds, 11:00 a.m.  
Tuesdays and Wednesdays  
Stories, songs, finger plays and more  

Stories Under the Sculpture  
10:30 a.m., Saturdays, all ages  
Your chance to hear some of our favorites!

**Klondike**  
Family Storytime, all ages  
11:00 a.m. & 2:00 p.m., Wednesdays  
Hear great stories, sing songs, and make a great craft to take home!

Special Nighttime Storytime  
Tuesday, November 11, 7:00 p.m.  
Enjoy a craft and comforting stories about the night. Wear your daytime duds or jammies!

**Campus**  
Family Storytime  
10:30 a.m. and 2:00 p.m., Tuesdays  
10:30 a.m., Fridays  
Friends Program Room  
Enjoy stories, songs, finger plays, crafts and fun for all ages.

If you have questions, comments or suggestions please call 429-0119 or e-mail us at youthdesk@tcpl.lib.in.us
All TCPL programs are open to the public. Some programs require advance registration and tickets. To find out more call 429-0100 or go to www.tcpl.lib.in.us.

November
3 Fireside Book Club, Klondike, 2:00 p.m.
4 Election Day, all libraries open.
   Note: Only Klondike Branch is a Vote Center
   Evening Toddler Time, Downtown, 6:30 p.m.
   Fiction Book Club, Downtown, 7:00 p.m.
6 Star Bright, Star Light, Campus, 4:00 p.m.
8 Early Sign Language, Downtown, 10:30 & 11:00 a.m.
10 All About Abe, Downtown, 2:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m.
11 Evening Lapsit, Downtown, 6:30 p.m.
   Special Nighttime Storytime, Klondike, 7:00 p.m.
12 SpaceTime, Downtown, 4:00 p.m.
13 Middle School Library Guild (m.s.L.G.), Downtown, 7:00 p.m.
15 Talking Turkey, Downtown, 1:00 p.m.
17 Downtown Youth Room closed until December 6
18 Gravity. It works! Klondike, 4:00 p.m.
19 *Murder By The Book, Campus, 10:00 a.m.
   Sci-Fi/Fantasy Book Club, Downtown, 6:30 p.m.
20 Eclectic Book Club, Downtown, 10:00 a.m.
   *Change in regular meeting dates due to Election Day, Thanksgiving or Christmas.

December
1 Fireside Book Club, Klondike, 2:00 p.m.
2 Board of Trustees, Downtown, 7:30 p.m.
4 Teen Library Club (TLC), Campus, 7:00 p.m.
6 Youth Room Re-Opening, Downtown, starts at 10:30 a.m.
7 Mobile Library @ Christmas Parade, 2:00 p.m.
   Youth Room Open House, Downtown Library, 1:00 - 5:00 p.m.
9 Victorian Christmas, Downtown, 7:00 p.m.
11 Middle School Library Guild (m.s.L.G.), Downtown, 7:00 p.m.
17 Sci-Fi/Fantasy Book Club, Downtown, 6:30 p.m.
30 Laser Light Show, Downtown
   10:30 a.m., 3:00 & 7:00 p.m.

January 2009 – Sneak Preview
5 Fireside Book Club, Klondike, 2:00 p.m.
6 Board of Trustees, Downtown, 7:30 p.m.

Friends Holiday Sale
This sale is famous for its “gift quality” items selected and saved from donations throughout the year. Excellent condition. Terrific variety – over 60 categories of books, movies, cassettes, records, DVDs, CDs, games, and puzzles. Don’t miss this chance to shop and save. For Christmas collectors there’s a special collection of holiday items.

- Friday, December 5, 7:30-9:30 p.m., members’ only night
- Saturday, December 6, 9:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.
- Sunday, December 7, 1:00-6:00 p.m., all books half price
- Monday, December 8, 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.
  Books $2 a bag. Bags provided.

Shop online at www.tcpl.lib.in.us.

Campus: Computer Classes
Three Tuesdays in November, 6:30 p.m.
November 4 Basic Computer
November 11 Basic Internet
November 18 Intermediate Internet
Spaces still available. Advance registration required. Stop by the information desks at any TCPL library or call 429-0113.
Many of you may not remember my library career began as a children’s librarian. My recent experience on the Caldecott committee reminded me of the delightfulness of children’s literature and the extraordinary illustrations that accompany children’s picture books. Members of my staff know I still enjoy discussing the development of library programs for younger audiences. I firmly believe every well-planned children’s program has the potential to positively influence children and foster their love of reading.

I distinctly remember when I told folks in 1996 that I was taking a job as a library director, many of my colleagues asked me, “Won’t you miss being a children’s librarian and having direct contact with the kids?” Frankly, I told them, “Being the library director, if I wanted to do a children’s program, I could do so.” My decision to become an administrator was based on the idea I could do more for children in a public library from the administrator’s seat than by working with them day by day. Overall, I do miss the delightful interactions with the kids, but my true reason for becoming a library director has been actualized over and over again.

In a short four weeks, this actualization happens again. With the leadership of the Board of Trustees and the resourcefulness of our staff, it is my good fortune to administer and influence a key activity for the youth of our community. This winter, TCPL will refurbish the youth services room in the downtown main library building. Many of you have waited for this makeover since the 2005 renovation of other public service areas of the downtown building. Others have been waiting longer than that. Many customers directly asked, “What about the youth room? When will it happen?” Well, now is the time!

A major reason for “now” is the financial backing of many donors. There is no doubt, this $135,000 project would not happen without the remarkable combination of contributions from local foundations, individuals, corporations, and approval of the county council. TCPL is extremely appreciative of this financial support and the confidence shown in our ability to prudently use financial gifts in this stressful economic time. Your generous local support demonstrates a strong belief in the work of our library and provides additional satisfaction to my work as an administrator.

Undoubtedly, you will enjoy more news of the youth room renovation in this Pocket Edition. I invite you to take a moment to stop in and personally see the changes in the youth room. I believe the brightly colored new “stuff” will impress you. More important, I sincerely hope you will be pleased that your library continues to be a “place of culture and intrigue” for young people in this community. With this activity, we believe we are making concrete progress toward the library’s vision to enable you to “explore and enjoy excellent resources that enrich your life and our community’s life, today and tomorrow.”

From an administrative viewpoint, fulfilling this vision is what my work is all about.

Jos N. Holman
Philanthropy Day
Saturday, November 15
“Individual gifts, even those in small amounts, make a big impact,” said Assistant County Librarian Amy Paget. “National Philanthropy Day is an opportunity for people to honor others with gifts in their memory or gifts that honor a family member or friend.”

Envelopes are available at the service desks at all TCPL libraries. Mailed contributions should be sent to 627 South Street, Lafayette, IN 47901. To find out more call Amy Paget at 429-0101, or click on “Foundation” at www.tcpl.lib.in.us.

Klondike Saves Gas
Bound for the Old Oaken Bucket game? Heading out for a concert? Picking up the kids at Klondike? Save gas by adding the Klondike Branch to your list of stops.

Open seven days a week and as late as 9:00 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays. With nearly 30,000 books, magazines, movies and music CDs, this library is one of our county’s leading renewable resources.

Directions: Located at the intersection of Lindberg and Klondike Roads. We’re less than a mile off Sagamore Parkway, West Lafayette’s retail road.

Expressly For You
Campus Conveniences
Express “read-alikes”
Looking for a good quick read? Craving something by a favorite author? Living, working or shopping on the south side? The Campus Library “read-alike displays” are perfect for in-and-out visitors.

We know the top authors. We stock thousands of bestsellers. With these read-alike displays, we do the browsing for you.

E-mail express
Hurrying through the holidays? Keeping track of kids after school? Check your messages at the e-mail express computer near the library youth area.

Directions: Located at the intersection of Creasy Lane, Brady Lane and U.S. 52, on the campus of Ivy Tech Community College. We’re less than a mile from the mall.

Mobile On Parade
2008 Christmas Parade
“Christmas Across America”
Sunday, December 7; 2:00 p.m.
Starts @ 9th and Main Streets

New Mobile Schedule At All Libraries And Online
For the closest stop in your area call 429-0169, or go to www.tcpl.lib.in.us. To talk to Angela Clements, Head Outreach Librarian, call 429-0192.

WBAA & TCPL News Partners
To hear what’s happening at your library, learn about special events at area libraries, and discover new books for all ages, tune in to the new WBAA Weekend Magazine program. As this newsletter goes to press, the hour-long program is still in development. The first TCPL segment features Assistant County Librarian Amy Paget and WBAA’s Mike Loizzo. Programs will air Saturdays on FM101.3 and repeat Sundays on AM920. To find out more, visit the WBAA website www.wbaa.org or go to www.tcpl.lib.in.us.
New BookClique Blog
Imagine the convenience of reviewing several new books, perhaps unlike any you’ve ever read. New authors, different genres, plus ongoing opportunities to offer your opinions on a variety of titles – the BookClique Blog on the new TCPL web pages is a true public forum.

On the TCPL web pages click on “Find a Good Book” and then “BookClique.” A blog allows everyone to see and comment on everything that appears onscreen. Library staff reviews begin the “conversation.” Then browsers and blog subscribers read the ongoing conversations about the reviews, books, and authors selected.

Originally created as e-mail book groups (Book Clique and Faction Fiction) the two merged into one. Each review is posted with an image of the book cover. Clicking right on the cover allows you to see whether the item is now available. If all TCPL copies are checked out, you can place a hold online.

Subscribe by RSS feed or e-mail. BookClique is always online. You can view, read and submit your remarks every day, 24 hours a day.

Current selections include: The Levity Effect: Why It Pays to Lighten Up by Adrian Gostick and Scott Christopher; The Brief Wondrous Life of Oscar Wao by Junot Diaz; The Prefect by Alastair Reynolds; The Missing by Sarah Langan; City of Thieves by David Benioff; Off Armageddon Reef by David Weber.

RSS (Rich Site Summary) delivers regularly changing web content to a subscriber. Many news-related sites, weblogs and other online publishers syndicate their content as an RSS feed. To find out more, click on the RSS icon on the new TCPL home page.

Talking Turkey
Saturday, November 15
Downtown, 1:00 p.m.
All ages
Looking for ways to stretch your buck and bird? Want to slim down Tom Turkey for your family’s health? Join Chef Carl Behnke from Purdue’s Culinary Arts Department. Learn to brine a turkey and lighten up mashed potatoes. Hear great tips for wallets and waistlines.

Victorian Christmas
Tuesday, December 9
Downtown, 7:00 p.m.
Few cities have been as fortunate in their laureates as Victorian London was with Charles Dickens. Join Purdue Professor Emily Allen on a historic trip through London. Hear how Dickens forged a career in the urban furnace of his beloved city. Discover how he shaped and was shaped by the material conditions of the urban world around him.
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Yearbooks Complete A Treasured TCPL Collection

Is your school fully represented in our prestigious Indiana Room yearbook collection? This collection is a part of local history and often used by family history researchers. Our current collection is the result of donations by individuals, family members, Friends of TCPL, and yard sale enthusiasts.

Older issues are welcome and, if necessary, sent to a bindery to repair and preserve them for future generations of library users to enjoy. To find out more, call 429-0113.

Donations needed for:

- Purdue University Debris yearbook 2004-2007
- McCutcheon High School Tartan yearbook 2003-2007
- West Lafayette High School Trident yearbook 1997-2007

In the Swezey Room of Indiana History, you might find your ancestors!