

How festive are our Branches

35

Christmas and holiday-themed programs and events through December at Cold Spring, Fort Thomas & Newport, **pages 3-6**

Best bets

Library staff's favorite holiday books, **page 2**

Drop your drawers

... this month at the Library for a great cause, **page 2**

A look ahead

Falcon Theatre Presents George Ella Lyon's *Many-Storied House* as we kick off a busy 2016, **page 7**

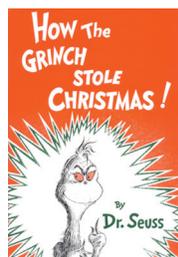


We suggest

LIBRARY STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS, HOLIDAY EDITION

How the Grinch Stole Christmas by Dr. Seuss
Perennially excellent, either as animated film or book. It's a great reminder of the true reason for the season. Catch the animated film 7 pm Friday, Dec. 11, at Cold Spring ([details, page 3](#)).

—Rachel Folz, Digital Marketing Manager



A Wish for Wings That Work by Berkeley Breathed
It does not look like Opus will get his one Christmas wish until a certain someone in a red suit needs rescuing. Fans of the 1980-1989 *Bloom County* comic strip and the current Facebook revival will enjoy seeing Opus back in action!

—Robin Hanks, Reference Assistant, Cold Spring

A Fatal Grace by Louise Penny
Just before Christmas in a small Canadian town, a widely disliked woman is electrocuted on a frozen lake during the annual curling tournament. An engaging mystery with enjoyable characters.

—Sharon Carter, Newport Reference

Hogfather by Terry Pratchett
An outrageous plot set in a ridiculous fantasy world offers both an entertaining story and a deeper commentary on our society. The novel reminds us that the modern world can be awfully dismal without a little magic and mystery.

—Michael Gregory, Collection Services Coordinator



Jonathan Strange and Mr. Norrell by Susanna Clarke
Though not quite Christmas-y, but featuring a lot of snow, this is a long novel set in London in the time of the Napoleonic wars. I like to call it "Harry Potter written by Jane Austen!"

—Cassie Fischer, Circulation Assistant, Carrico/Fort Thomas

Krampus: The Yule Lord by Gerald Brom
Krampus, a pagan deity whom Santa (who is actually a murderous Norse God!) has imprisoned, breaks out, determined to have his retribution and reclaim Yuletide.

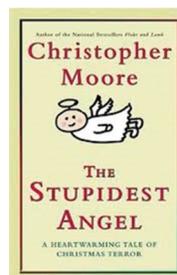
—Kelsea Miskell, Circulation Assistant, Newport

Blackfin Sky by Kat Ellis
A magical mystery about an eccentric town, Blackfin, and a girl who re-appears alive and well three months after she fell from the pier and drowned on her sixteenth birthday.

—Chantelle Bentley Phillips, Branch Manager, Newport

The Stupidest Angel by Christopher Moore
Everything you want in a heartwarming holiday yarn: A Christmas party, odd characters, a Ray-Ban-wearing fruit bat and zombies who want to devour brains and check out the new IKEA store they've been hearing about. It's not for kids, but it really is heartwarming, in its own way.

—Jim Pleshinger, PR Specialist



Visions of Sugar Plums by Janet Evanovich
Bounty hunter Stephanie Plum seeks a toy maker who has skipped bail. Maybe the mysterious stranger in her apartment can help. (Christmas story in the *One for the Money* series.)

—Laura Stanfield, Children's Services Librarian, Carrico/Fort Thomas

What's New

OUTREACH

Drop Your Drawers at the Library!

Here's a holiday shopping tip that will also celebrate the spirit of the season by helping those in need: If you're buying new underwear as part of your kids' Christmas loot, get an extra package or two and drop it off at the Campbell County Public Library. It's all part of our Drop Your Drawers at the Library campaign to collect new underwear for boys and girls in sizes 4-16 through December.



The need is great. Donations to Drop Your Drawers at the Library will help replenish the schools' supplies of emergency underpants and provide direct assistance to families through the Family Resource Centers in 14 Campbell County public elementary schools. Family Resource Centers hand out 30-80 pairs of underwear a month to students in need.

Our goal is to collect 3,000 pairs — 1,000 at each branch — which will be divided evenly among the following schools: Campbell Ridge, Cline, Crossroads, Grandview, Grant's Lick, Johnson, Lincoln, Moyer, Newport Intermediate, Newport Primary, Reiley, Silver Grove, Southgate and Woodfill. Just drop your drawers at the front desk!

Touch Tone Tales

Call 859-572-5039 to hear a free, original story any time. Listen to a new wild and wacky story each week by Charlie Williams, otherwise known as "The Noise Guy." Especially appropriate for ages 4 and older.

- Nov 30-Dec 6: Gingerbread Man
- Dec. 7-13: Fuzzy's Christmas Present
- Dec. 14-20: The Twelve Days of Christmas
- Dec. 21-27: A Puppy's Night Before Christmas
- Dec. 28-Jan. 3: The Bremen Town Musicians



Cold Spring

December Calendar

Holiday events noted in green

Book Discussions

New members welcome. No need to register

Cold Spring Book Club

11 am Tuesday, Dec. 8

2 pm Wednesday, Dec. 9

Common Nonsense by Andy Rooney.

Snacks.

Cup of Crime

7 pm Wednesday, Dec. 16

Defending Jacob by William Landay. Adults.

Coffee and snacks.

Real Men Read

7 pm Thursday, Dec. 17

Meet You in Hell: Andrew Carnegie, Henry Clay Frick, and the Bitter Partnership that Transformed America by Les Stanford.

Adults

Foster Care and Adoption: The Facts You Need

6:30 pm Tuesday, Dec. 1

A representative from the DCCH Center for Children & Families will discuss qualifications and requirements to become a foster or adoptive parent. Register.

Paint & Bake Ceramics for Adults

6:30 pm Monday, Dec. 7

Make a family ornament for your tree. Ages 16 & up. Full; register on waiting list.

Kynect Informational Meeting

6 pm Tuesday, Dec. 15

Learn about Kynect and the signup process. Bring your W-2s, last year's tax returns and your social security card. Register.

Cold Spring Writer's Club

2 pm Monday, Dec 21

Hear how blogging can improve your writing with Kelly Moffett and Bob Wallace of NKU. Snacks. No need to register.



**Family Fun Night:
Christmas Around the World
7 pm Wednesday, Dec. 2.**

Teens

11-19 unless noted differently.

Dungeons & Dragons

6 pm Friday, Dec. 4

Experienced and new players alike. Ages 13 & up. Snacks. Register.

After Hours Game Night

7 pm Friday, Dec. 18

Snacks, games and prizes. Register.

Spoiler Alert: Teen Book Club

6:30 pm Thursday, Dec. 10

Seraphina by Rachel Hartman. Register.

Teen Hangout

5 pm Monday, Dec. 28

Play games, relax or read! Snacks. Register.

Teen Advisory Board: Holiday Party

6:30 pm Monday, Dec. 28

Feel free to bring a home-cooked meal or sweets. Gift exchange (limit \$10). Register.

Teens & Tweens

Paint & Bake Ceramics: Tween Christmas Ornaments

5 pm Wednesday, Dec. 9

Paint a Christmas ornament with Paint & Bake Ceramics. Ages 8-13. Register.

Minecraft Club

5 pm Monday, Dec. 14

Register to save a spot on the limited Library laptops or bring your own. You must have a paid PC account. Ages 9-18. Snacks and prizes. Register.

Table Top Club

6:30 pm Thursday, Dec. 17

Board games, card games, anything! Ages 10 & up. Snacks. No need to register.

Families

Family Fun Night: Christmas Around the World

7 pm Wednesday, Dec. 2

Story time, crafts and games. Register.

After Hours Christmas Movie

7 pm Friday, Dec. 11

Special showing of the cartoon, **How the Grinch Stole Christmas**. Afterwards, enjoy treats and crafts. Register.

Cookies with Santa

10 am-noon Saturday, Dec. 19

Meet and take pictures with Santa. Cookies, crafts, games and music. Register.

Hammered Dulcimer Music

10 am-noon Saturday, Dec. 19

Special holiday music by Hammered Dulcimer Music. No need to register.

Cold Spring, continued

Family Tabletop

1-5 pm Sunday, Dec. 20
Board, card games. Snacks. No need to register.

Noon Year's Eve Bash with Cam!

11:30 am Thursday, Dec. 31
Crafts, toys and pictures with Cam. At 11:59, we will count down to noon and have huge balloon drop. Bring your cameras. Register.

Children

1st-5th grades unless noted differently.

Homeschool Lego Club

1:30 pm Tuesday, Dec. 1 & 15
Homeschooling families can network and enjoy LEGO fun. Ages 6-11; siblings welcome. Register.

Holiday Minute to Win It

4:30 pm Thursday, Dec. 3
Holiday edition of this fun, fast-paced program! Register.

Paint & Bake Ceramics: Christmas Ornaments

4:30 pm Thursday, Dec. 10
4:30 pm Saturday, Dec. 12
Paint & Bake Ceramics will be here! Grades 1-5 for Thursday, Dec. 10; Ages 0-11 for Saturday, Dec. 12. Register.

Christmas Cookies with Cam

4:30 pm Thursday, Dec. 17
Eat cookies, play games and make Christmas crafts. Bring your camera for pictures with Cam. Register.

Young Ones

Growing Readers

4 pm Wednesdays, Dec. 2, 9 & 16
Literacy-based story time for early readers. Ages 4-7. No need to register.

Toddler Time

10 & 11 am Wednesdays, Dec. 2, 9 & 16
Songs, stories and a fun craft! Ages 2-3. No need to register.

Movers and Shakers

11:30 am Thursdays, Dec. 3, 10 & 17
Shake your sillies out! Ages 2-5. No need to register.

Library Play Date

10:30 am Friday, Dec. 4
Join other parents, caregivers and children for independent play and fun. Games and toys for the little ones and coffee for the adults! Ages 2-5. Register.

Santa Babies

11 am Saturday, Dec. 5
Special holiday Baby Time with festive sensory centers and Christmas songs. Siblings welcome. Ages 0-3. No need to register.



Baby Time

10 & 11 am Mondays, Dec. 7 & 14
Develop your baby's pre-literacy skills while having fun and making new friends. Ages 0-2. No need to register.

Carrico/Fort Thomas

December Calendar

Holiday events noted in green



Holiday Photo Gifts
5:30 pm Thursday,
Dec. 3.

Book Discussion

Brown Bag Book Club

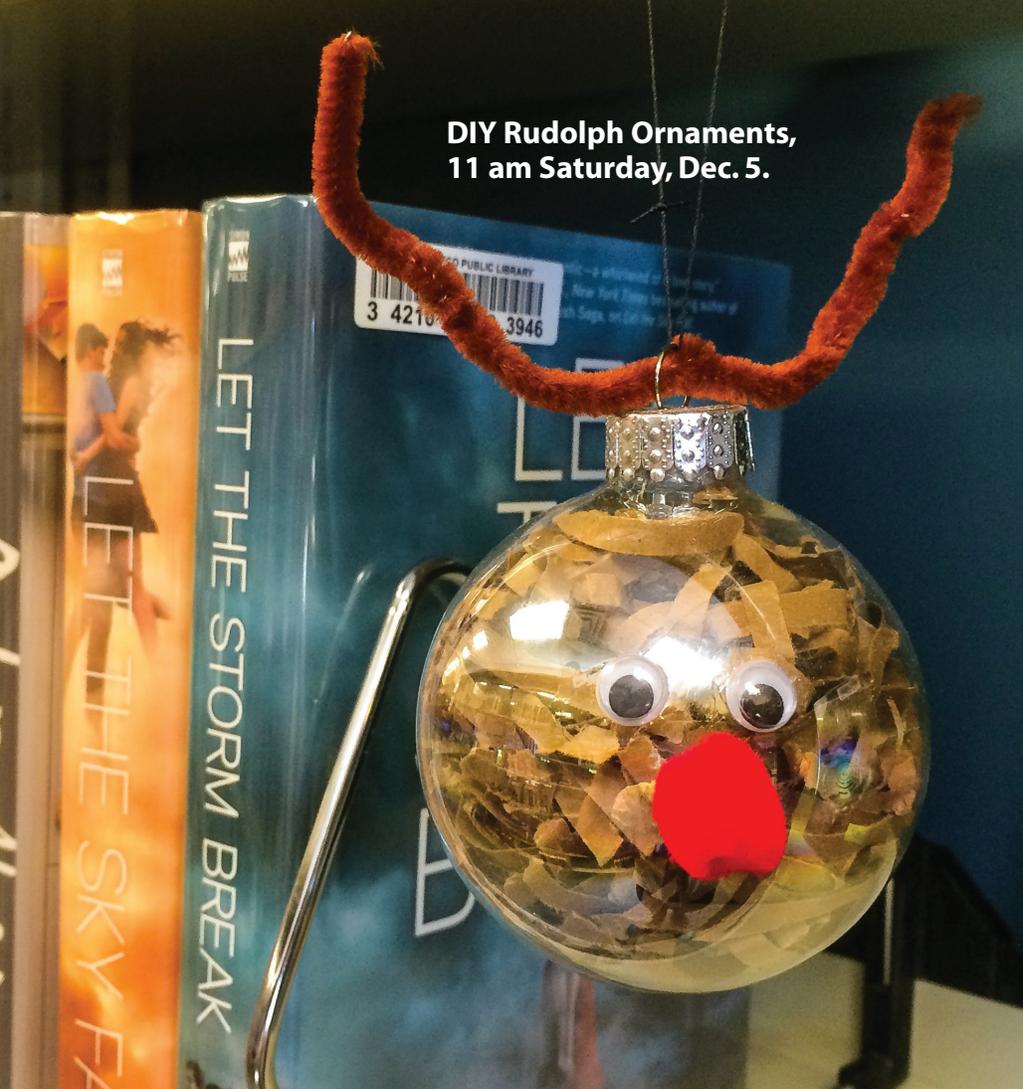
Noon Monday, Dec. 7
Being Mortal by Atul Gawande. Ages 18 & up. Bag lunch optional. Water and snacks. New members welcome. No need to register.

Adults

Holiday Photo Gifts

6:30 pm Thursday, Dec. 3
Make two personalized gift sets: Four tile coasters with your personal photos and four rustic wood "Polaroid" ornaments. Space is limited. Ages 18 & up. Register.

**DIY Rudolph Ornaments,
11 am Saturday, Dec. 5.**



Senior Scrabble

10 am Monday, Dec. 14
Friendly competitive wordplay. Drinks and snacks. Seniors. No need to register.

E-Reader Help Desk

10 am-noon Monday, Dec. 28
Did you receive a new tablet or e-reader for Christmas? Learn to download free books through Kentucky Libraries Unbound! Ages 18 & up. No need to register.

Teens & Tweens

Tween Wii

4 pm Wednesday, Dec. 2
Go head-to-head with friends in games like Mario Kart, Super Smash Bros. and Wii Sports. Ages 8-13. Snacks. Register.

DIY Rudolph Ornaments

11 am Saturday, Dec. 5
Use a variety of materials to create a holiday ornament. Ages 8-13. No need to register.

Teen Art Club

4 pm Wednesday, Dec. 9
Artists of all varieties are invited. Ages 8-18. Register.

Families

A Visit from Santa Claus

11 am Saturday, Dec. 5
Whisper in Santa's ear what you want for Christmas. Snacks. No need to register.

CCPL presents *The Night Before the Night Before Christmas*

1:30 pm Saturday, Dec. 5
Our first movie is ready to screen. Join us for the premiere of *The Night Before the Night Before Christmas*. Refreshments following the movie. No need to register.

Chris Comer Trio

11 am Saturday, Dec. 5
Enjoy holiday jazz music from the Chris Comer Trio. No need to register.

Children

1st-5th grades unless noted differently.

Holiday Decorations

4 pm Monday, Dec. 7
Help deck the halls as we make holiday decorations. Register.

Reindeer Games

4 pm Monday, Dec. 14
Silly Christmas party games. Snacks. Register.

Young Ones

Toddler Time

10 am Tuesdays, Dec. 1, 8 & 15
Join us for songs, stories & a fun craft! Ages 2-3. Register.

Preschool Time

11 am Tuesdays, Dec. 1, 8 & 15
Stories and celebrations abound! Ages 4-5. Register.

Growing Readers

4 pm Tuesdays, Dec. 1, 8 & 15
New story time designed to keep new readers excited about books as they develop more reading skills. Ages 4-7. Register.

Lap Time

9:30 am Wednesdays, Dec. 2, 9 & 16
Rhymes, bounces, lullabies and books. Ages 0-2, especially for pre-walkers. Register.

Movers and Shakers

11 am Wednesdays, Dec. 2, 9 & 16
Shake your sillies out while we sing, dance and play in this musical story time. Ages 2-5. Register.

Baby Time

9:30 & 10:30 am Thursdays, Dec. 3, 10 & 17
Clap, sing and move with your baby and make new friends! Ages 0-2, especially for walkers. Register.

Jingle Babies

10 am Saturday, Dec. 12
We read books, sing and play a few reindeer games! Juice and cookies. Ages 0-2. Register.

Newport

December Calendar

Holiday events noted in green

The Chris Comer Trio will perform holiday music at 11 am Saturday, Dec. 5 at Carrico/Fort Thomas and 2 pm that same day at Newport.



Book Discussion

Newport Book Club

7 pm Tuesday, Dec. 1

The History of Love, by Nicole Krauss.
Snacks. No need to register.

Adults

Mason Jar Gifts

6:30 pm Monday, Dec. 7

Two different mason jar mixes that you can keep for yourself or give as gifts. Full; register on the waiting list.

Managing Diabetes: The Next Step

6:30 pm Thursday, Dec. 10

An interactive, one-hour program focuses on the importance of managing diabetes and how insulin can be an effective tool to help lower blood sugar. Register.

Extreme Crafting

6:30 pm Monday, Dec. 14

Let your creativity and ingenuity loose. Register.

CCPL Board of Trustees Meeting

5:30 pm Wednesday, Dec. 16

Meets every month on a rotating basis among the branches. No need to register.

Felt Ornaments

6:30 pm Monday, Dec. 21

Create the cutest felt ornament for your tree. Basic knowledge of hand-sewing recommended. Register.

Wreath in the New Year!

6:30 pm Monday, Dec. 28

New year, a new wreath! Create a colorful, decorative wreath. Register.

Teens

3Doodler

3 pm Thursday, Dec. 3

Your chance to work with 3-D technology. Ages 12-19. Snacks. No need to register.

Emoticon Pillows

3 pm Thursday, Dec. 17

Let your emotions show on a soft pillow. Ages 12-19. Snacks. No need to register.

Teens & Tweens

Harry Potter Holiday Crafts

5 pm Friday, Dec. 4

Create whimsical crafts. Snacks provided. Ages 8-13. Registration required.

Families

Holiday Open House

2-4 pm Saturday, Dec. 5

Enjoy music from the Chris Comer Trio while making a craft and seeing Santa! Families. No need to register.

Holiday Lego Club

3 pm Saturday, Dec. 19

Tale a picture of our Lego creations to make personalized cards. Snacks. No need to register.

Children

1st-5th grades unless noted.

Make Sparkle Christmas Cards

4 pm Tuesday, Dec. 1

Make Sparkle Christmas cards with our "Sparkle Machine." Snacks. Register.

Make Christmas Cookies

4 pm Tuesday, Dec. 8

Make yummy cookies. Register.

Paint & Bake Ceramics

4 pm Tuesday, Dec. 15

Make a Christmas ornament with Paint & Bake Ceramics! Limit: 30 children. Register.

Young Ones

Bounce & Rhyme Story Time

10 am Tuesdays, Dec. 1, 8 & 15

Songs, lap time, rhymes. Ages 0-2. Register.

Pajama Time

7 pm Tuesdays, Dec. 1, 8 & 15

Stories, songs, activities and an artsy craft. Wear PJs if you like! Only one registration needed for December. Ages 3-6. Register.

Play Art

4 pm Wednesdays, Dec. 2, 9 & 16

Dec. 2: Holiday ornaments

Dec. 9: Elves' Toy Workshop

Dec. 16: We Can Build It Club Holiday Party
Ages 3-6. Snacks provided. Register.

Movers and Shakers

10 am Wednesdays, Dec. 2, 9 & 16

Dance party at the Library! Silly songs, rhymes and dance! Ages 2-5. Register.

Toddler Story Time is Back @ Newport!

10 am Thursdays, Dec. 3, 10 & 17

Fun games, books and crafts. Register just once for December. Ages 2-3.

Ready for K Through Play! Preschool Story Time

10 am Mondays, Dec. 7 & 14

Get set for kindergarten with games, songs, rhymes and stories! Ages 3-5. Register.

Polar Express Party

3 pm Saturday, Dec. 12

Wear PJs, enjoy cookies, a hot cocoa bar and the classic movie (Rated G). Ages 2-6. Siblings welcome. Register.

Baby It's Cold Outside!

10 am Friday, Dec. 18

Bring your baby for warm stories, crafts and songs. Snacks. Ages 0-2. Register.

LOOKING AHEAD TO 2016

Mark your calendars for these upcoming events, but there's more coming, so keep checking cc-pl.org. Registration opens two months prior to the event.

JANUARY

15 Signature Series: Falcon Theatre Presents *Many-Storyed House* 7 pm @ Newport

Falcon Theatre brings to the stage its adaptation of a collection of poems written by Kentucky author and poet laureate George Ella Lyon. *Raison D'etre* will perform the musical score for the production and an ASL interpreter will sign.



16 Princess Party with the Snow Queen Princess 11 am @ Carrico/Fort Thomas

Put on your gown and tiara and get ready to meet our special guests, the Snow Queen and her sister.

FEBRUARY

3 Six @ Six: Community Lecture Series - Project Hope & the Study of Life, 6 pm @ Carrico/Fort Thomas

Dr. Rachael Clark, an instructor in the Department of Psychological Science, will share her vision to improve the quality of life for all.

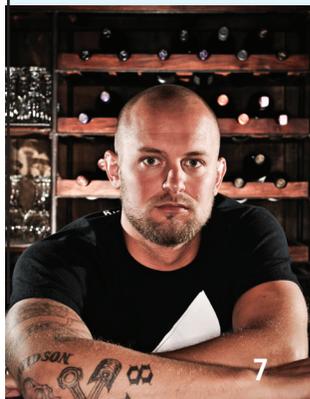
MARCH

4 Arts & Culture Series: CCO Presents The Fab Five 7 pm @ Carrico/Fort Thomas

Hear a classical twist on The Beatles by a CCO string quartet with guitarist and Beatles aficionado Roger Klug.

18 Signature Series: *Digging for Hope: Turning Wine to Water & Other Modern Day Miracles*, 7 pm @ Newport

Doc Hendley, a 2009 Top 10 CNN Hero and founder of the Wine to Water foundation, discusses his memoir of the same name. **The Brown Bag Book Club (noon Monday, Feb. 1 at Carrico/Fort Thomas) and Cold Spring Book Club (11 am Tuesday, March 8 and 2 pm Wednesday, March 9)** will discuss the book.





Cold Spring Branch

3920 Alexandria Pike
Cold Spring, KY 41076
859-781-6166

Carrico/Fort Thomas Branch

1000 Highland Avenue
Fort Thomas, KY 41075
859-572-5033

Newport Branch

901 East Sixth Street
Newport, KY 41071
859-572-5035

Hours for all branches

9 am – 9 pm Monday-Thursday
9 am – 7 pm Friday
9 am – 5 pm Saturday
1 pm – 5 pm Sunday

Who to talk to

Cold Spring

David Anderson, Branch Manager

Carrico/Fort Thomas

Pam Posik, Branch Manager

Newport

Chantelle Bentley Phillips,
Branch Manager & Assistant Director

Administration at Cold Spring

JC Morgan, Director
Kiki Dreyer Burke, Public Relations
Rachel Folz, Digital Marketing
Terrie R. Hatfield, Human Resources

24-hour services

Circulation: 859-572-5041
Storytelling: 859-572-5039
Download books & music:
<http://kyunbound.lib.overdrive.com/>
Download the Library app:
www.cc-pl.org/app

Visit us online @ www.cc-pl.org



CHANGE SERVICE REQUESTED

NONPROFIT ORG
US POSTAGE
PAID
NEWPORT KY
PERMIT 143

Happy retirement, Pat! We'll miss you!

Pat Wade started at Campbell County Public Library on June 13, 1988, driving the Bookmobile to day care centers and home-bound people throughout the area.

Pat has had numerous other roles, including page supervisor and, since June 2003, Cold Spring Circulation Supervisor. At times, she's also been an electrician and plumber. According to Cold Spring Circulation Clerk **Maggie Gosney**, Pat even once used a snow shovel to run off a snake from a mallard duck's nest by the staff entrance.



Pat's long career of

...serving patrons ended Nov. 30 when she retired. Pat says her favorite role was driving the Bookmobile. "It was just fun to get outside and see the county and see all the people," she recalls. Pat also cherishes having the opportunity as a supervisor to "teach young people how to work," including high school and college-age kids, in their first-ever jobs.

Pat plans to rest for a couple months, then do some traveling with her husband, **Alan**. Pat also will continue as a member of the Cup of Crime Book Club she founded, so even though she's retired, she won't be a stranger.

Congrats and best wishes, Pat!

ADA Compliance Statement

The Library makes every reasonable effort to accommodate patrons with disabilities. Please allow 72 hours before the event when requesting such accommodation. All facilities and meeting rooms are ADA compliant.