

CONNECTIONS

Joy of reading: Pass it around

Thelma Pryse gets a little help each week from the staff at Carrico/Fort Thomas Branch. In return, she joyfully volunteers to help young children who are learning to read.

"It's only a half hour a week, but you do see improvement," said Ms. Pryse, 88, of Fort Thomas. "The improvement is real."



Thelma Pryse

With reading, every bit of help pays off. That's also the idea behind the Early Childhood Literacy Fair, 10 am-12:30 pm on Saturday, May 21, at the Newport Branch. Community partners will be on hand to answer questions and children can get free developmental and vision screenings.

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The Early Childhood Literacy Fair is 10 am-12:30 pm Saturday, May 21 @ Newport.

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Puccini's
Tosca



F O R E W O R D



What's New

SCIENCE FICTION & FANTASY

Fire Touched by Patricia Briggs

Publisher comments: Mercy Thompson has been hailed as a heroine who remains true to herself. She's back, and will soon discover that when the fae stalk the human world, it's the children who suffer.

Dark Promises by Christine Feehan

Publisher comments: Lovers challenge destiny and risk their lives in the new Carpathian novel by the queen of paranormal romance.

The Road to Hell by David Weber and Joelle Presby

Publisher comments: Entry No. 3 in Weber's *Hell's Gates* series sees the war between the magically-gifted Arcana and psionically talented Sharona continuing to rage.

What Is Not Yours Is Not Yours by Helen Oyeyemi

Publisher comments: This enchanting collection of intertwined stories is cleverly built around the idea of keys, both literal and metaphorical.

The Last Days of Magic by Mark Tompkins

Publisher comments: Tompkins' debut novel conjures an epic battle for the soul of Ireland.

SCIENCE & NATURE (NON-FICTION)

Rightful Heritage: Franklin D. Roosevelt and the Land of America by Douglas Brinkley

Publisher comments: Brinkley's book chronicles Franklin Delano Roosevelt's under-sung legacy as the founder of the Civilian Conservation Corps and protector of America's public lands.

Eruption: The Untold Story of Mount St. Helens

by Steve Olson

Publisher comments: Shedding new light on the 1980 cataclysm, Olson interweaves the history and science behind this event with accounts of what happened to those who lived and those who died.

Half-Earth: Our Planet's Fight for Life

by Edward O. Wilson

Publisher comments: To stave off the mass extinction of species, including our own, we must move swiftly to preserve the biodiversity of our planet, writes Wilson in his most impassioned book to date.

The Industries of the Future by Alex Ross

Publisher comments: Innovation expert Alec Ross explains the advances and stumbling blocks that will emerge in the next 10 years, and how we can navigate them.

We Suggest

LIBRARY STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS

House of Leaves

by Mark Z. Danielewski

An unreliable narrator named Johnny Truant begins to go mad after he inherits some papers from a mysterious blind man that document a house that is bigger on the inside than it is on the outside. Disturbing and complicated, this book is not for the faint of heart.

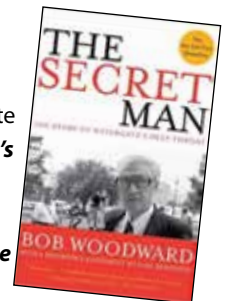


—Cassie Fischer,
Circulation assistant, Carrico/Fort Thomas

The Secret Man: The Story of Watergate's Deep Throat

by Bob Woodward

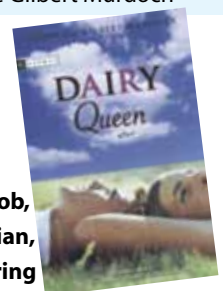
In 2005, former FBI honcho Mark Felt was revealed to be the famous source of the *Washington Post's* Watergate coverage. This freed the *Post's* Bob Woodward to plug in some juicy missing pieces to his and Carl Bernstein's *All the President's Men*. The result is *The Secret Man*, which traces the newsman and source's complex relationship from the 1960s when Woodward, then a Navy courier, chatted up Felt in the White House waiting room, through their eerie Watergate-era encounters deep in a Rosslyn, Va., parking garage, to their often strained later years. If you're a fellow Watergate nerd, this is a cool read.



—Jim Pleshinger, PR specialist

Dairy Queen by Catherine Gilbert Murdock

This coming-of-age novel is a great story of an athletic teenage girl who develops a relationship with a star athlete from a rival school.



—Beth Jacob,
Reference Librarian,
Cold Spring



Cold Spring

May Calendar



Get fit for summer with Zumba Thursdays

You've heard of Throwback Thursdays? In May at Cold Spring, we'll be throwing a party every Thursday. You can get in on the fun by learning

how to work out with the fitness/dance/fun craze that is Zumba. A certified Zumba instructor will come to Cold Spring to help us work up a

sweat @ 5 pm May 5, 12, 19 & 26. Ages 18 & up. Consult your doctor before participating in this or any exercise program. Registration is required.

Book Discussions

New members welcome. No need to register.

Cold Spring Book Club

11 am-noon Tuesday, May 10

2 pm Wednesday, May 11

The Nazi Officer's Wife by Edith H. Beer.

Cup of Crime

7 pm Wednesday, May 18

The Poacher's Son by Paul Doiron.

Real Men Read

7 pm Thursday, May 26

Two Years Before the Mast by Richard Henry Dana.

Adults

Zumba

5 pm Thursdays, May 5, 12, 19 & 26

[See story above.](#)

St. Elizabeth Mobile Mammography

Noon-5 pm Friday, May 6

Screenings offered to those covered by Medicare, Medicaid and most insurance companies. Baseline screening to women ages 35-40; annual screening to women over 40. Financial assistance available to those who qualify. To schedule an appointment, call 859-655-7400.

Coloring for Adults

6 pm Wednesday, May 11

Bring your best color pencils and crayons or use some of ours as we provide the coloring sheets designed for adults. Share your hidden talents with others as we spend two hours making masterpieces. Ages 16 & up. Snacks. Register.

Cold Spring Writer's Club

2 pm Monday, May 16

Needing incentive to put that pen to paper or type those words into the computer? Hear what others are working on or share your own and get some feedback. Ages 17 & up. Snacks. No need to register.

Cold Spring Adults, continued

City BBQ Food for Thought Series: The Battle of Cincinnati

6:30 pm Tuesday, May 17

Mr. Charles Burns from the NKU History and Geography Department discusses Northern Kentucky's critical role in defending Cincinnati during the Civil War. Ages 16 & up. Refreshments by City Barbeque of Highland Heights. Register to be on the wait list.

Board of Trustees Meeting

5:30 pm Wednesday, May 18

Library board meetings are held on a rotating basis among the branches. No need to register.

Adults Only Game Night

6-10 pm Friday, May 20

Video game content rated M for Mature. Ages 17 & up. Snacks. No need to register.

Teens

Cold Spring Coding Club

6 pm Wednesday, May 4

Register early since laptops are limited. Ages 11 & up. Register.



Mother's Day Brunch 10 am Saturday, May 7

Dungeons & Dragons

6-10 pm Friday, May 6

New and experienced players welcome. If you are interested in DMing a game, contact Deanna at dpina@cc-pl.org. Ages 13 & up. Register.

Game Makers

5-8 pm Sunday, May 8

Learn how to make an original board game. Questions? Email dpina@cc-pl.org. Ages 13 & up. No need to register.

Spoiler Alert Teen Book Club

6:30-8:45 pm Thursday, May 12

Blood Lad, Omnibus Volume 1 by Yuuki Kodama. Ages 11-19. Register.

Teen Advisory Board

6:30 pm Monday, May 23

Help plan future teen programs. Snacks. Ages 11-19. Register.

Teens & Tweens

Minecraft Club

5 pm Monday, May 9

Register to save a spot on the limited library laptops or bring your own. You must have a paid PC account. Ages 8-19. Register.

Families

Mother's Day Brunch

10 am Saturday, May 7

Enjoy coffee, donuts, fruit and other treats. There will also be crafts and games for the whole family. Register with child's name.

Family Tabletop

1-5 pm Sunday, May 15

Choose a game from our collection, or bring a home favorite. Snacks. No need to register.

Children's programs resume in June

See www.cc-pl.org/programs.

Carrico/Fort Thomas

May Calendar

Book Discussion

Brown Bag Book Club

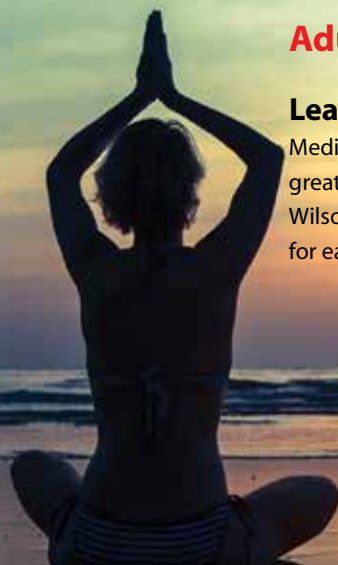
Noon Monday, May 2

The Secret Wisdom of the Earth by Chris Scotton. No need to register. Ages 18 & up. New members welcome.

Adults

Learn to Meditate 6 pm Thursdays, May 5 & 12

Meditation can be one of the best practices we ever learn. Experience greater clarity of mind and peace of heart. Class is taught by Phoenix Wilson, a registered yoga & T'ai Chi Chih instructor. Register separately for each class & plan to arrive a few minutes early.



Opera and You!

Ever wonder what's the big deal about opera? Learn all about it at Cincinnati Opera Rap, 7 pm Wednesday, May 18. Enjoy "One Giant Leap: Puccini's tragic and powerful *Tosca*," celebrated for its gorgeous melodies and dramatic plot twists. Cincinnati Opera Managing Director Chris Milligan will take a closer look into the Sardou play that inspired the opera and the work's performance history. Hear why you shouldn't miss Cincinnati Opera's stunning new period production of this beautiful classic.

Intrigued? Ashley Tongret, a regular Carrico/Fort Thomas patron and Cincinnati Opera director of public relations, offers six reasons you should try opera. Take it away, Ashley:

- 1. Just like chocolate mousse, you don't know whether or not you'll like it until you try it.**
- 2. Opera is for everyone. Wear a ball gown, or jeans, or both!**
- 3. You don't need to come prepared, or know any foreign languages. The story is in your program, and the words are projected in English above the stage as the words are sung.**
- 4. Experiencing opera is a lot like watching a movie being performed right in front of you.**
- 5. Yes, there's music most of the time, but don't let that scare you: There's music during most of *Star Wars*, too! Just as in movies, music helps tell the story and prompts how you should feel about a certain character or during a particular scene.**
- 6. Opera singers don't use amplification. Unlike Broadway, opera singers are specially trained so their voices reach every part of the theater without microphones or speakers.**



Ashley Tongret

Carrico/Fort Thomas Adults, continued



Senior Scrabble

10 am-noon Mondays, May 9 & 23
Library patrons **Joe Schwerling** and **Jennifer Jones** (above) have been coming to Senior Scrabble since it kicked off in April 2015. Mr. Schwerling says he comes for the mental exercise and fun; Ms. Jones brings her list of short words and her desire to win, which she often does. Join them for friendly competitive wordplay. Games, drinks & snacks provided. No need to register.

Cincinnati Opera Rap

7 pm Wednesday, May 18

[See story, at left.](#)

Adults & teens. Register.

Coloring for Grown Ups

10 am-noon Friday, May 27

We'll provide the tools you need, including coloring pages. Ages 18 & up. Register.

Teens & Tweens

Ages 8-18 unless noted differently.

Teen Art Club

4 pm Wednesday, May 11

Artists of all varieties are invited to unlock their creativity through guided and not-so-guided activities. Register.

Teen Game Night

7-10 pm Friday, May 20

Visit the Library after hours for card games, board games, video games — any kind of game! Ages 13-19. Snacks . Register.

Chess Club

4 pm Wednesday, May 25

Club is open to beginning, intermediate and advanced players. Snacks. Register.

Children's programs resume in June

See www.cc-pl.org/programs.

Newport

May Calendar

Book Discussion

Newport Book Club

7 pm Tuesday, May 3

The Bully Pulpit: Theodore Roosevelt, William Howard Taft, and the Golden Age of Journalism by Doris Kearns Goodwin.

Snacks. No need to register.

Adults

CPR Class & BP Checks

11 am Friday, May 6

Members of the Rho Theta Nursing Honor Society offer a hands-on CPR class to teach basics to help in an emergency situation. No certificate earned. They will also perform blood pressure checks and offer information and referrals to clinics in Northern Kentucky. No need to register.

Know the 10 Signs of Alzheimer's Disease

6 pm Monday, May 9

Alzheimer's affects more than 5.3 million people in the United States. Carolyn Ferris of the Greater Cincinnati Chapter of the Alzheimer's Association discusses the disease. Ages 18 & up. No need to register.

Healthy Choices for Everybody

6:30 pm Thursdays, May 12 & 19

Simple solutions to help you eat better for less money. Learn to cook quick, easy and affordable meals that taste great. Register.

Friends Book Sale

9 am-5 pm Thursday-Saturday, May 12-14

See story, Page 7.

Washi Tape Pallet Coasters

6-8 pm Monday, May 23

Customize your coasters with our wide selection of Washi Tape. These cute coasters are the perfect accessory for your coffee table. Ages 18 & up only, please. Register.

Regional History Series

7 pm Thursday, May 26

See story, above, right.



Flavorful start to Regional History Series

The Regional History Series returns at 7 pm Thursday, May 26, with *Five Teas that Launched a Revolution in Boston & Frontier Kentucky*, presented by tea blender and *A Social History of Tea* co-author Bruce Richardson. Called the "Johnny Appleseed of the American tea movement" by *The Wall Street Journal*, Mr. Richardson will guide us through the colorful events that led up to the 1773 Boston tea rebellion. He'll also share how Chinese teas eventually made their way into the teapots of 17th and 18th century Kentucky households. Registration required. The series will continue June 9 & 23 and July 7. See www.cc-pl.org for details. Registration opens two months prior to the event date.



Teens & Tweens

Puffy Paint Art

5 pm Friday, May 6

Puffy Paint makes it a breeze to design your own wristbands and headbands. Accessorize with your favorite design. Let it dry overnight and pick it up the next day. Ages 8-12. Register.

CD Art

3 pm Thursday, May 12

From scratch art to painting, we'll transform old CDs into something new & fun. Ages 12-19. No need to register.

Book Charms

3-5 pm Thursday, May 19

Like funky jewelry or tiny versions of things? Try making your very own. Ages 13-19 only, please. Register.

Families

Early Childhood Literacy Fair

10 am-12:30 pm Saturday, May 21

See story, cover & Page 7.

Children's programs resume in June

See www.cc-pl.org/programs.

Bargains a-bound: Friends Book Sale is May 12-14

Find a wide variety of books at bargain prices — some even for free — at the **Friends Book Sale, 9 am-5 pm Thursday-Saturday, May 12-14** on the lower level of the Newport Branch. Prices are 25 cents for paperbacks, 50 cents for hard covers and up to \$2 for select titles. All proceeds benefit the Library. Funds enable the Friends to sponsor children's Summer Reading and other events. No need to register.



Library seeks applicants for 2 positions on board

The Library is seeking applications for two openings on its Board of Trustees. These are non-paid, voluntary positions. Applications will be accepted through May 31, and interviews will be conducted in June. Terms for the new board members begin Oct. 1, 2016.

Members of the Library's board of trustees serve four-year terms. By law, the board must maintain a balanced geographical representation of all areas of the county. In keeping with that requirement, the Board is seeking one member to represent Newport, Bellevue, Dayton, Fort Thomas or those immediate areas. A second person will be selected to represent southern Campbell County. In addition, the board seeks to develop an array of talented members with complementary skills. All candidates will be considered.

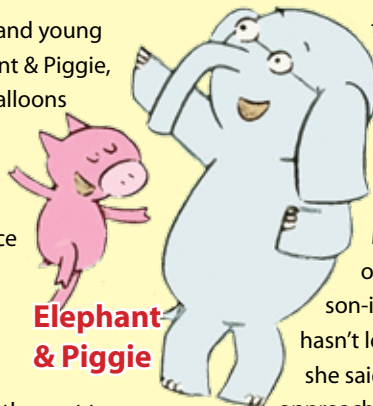


Generally, the positions demand a maximum of four hours a month that include one monthly meeting; continuing education opportunities; and interacting with staff and the public at the branches. Present board members are Cathy Howard, Steven Trumbo, Paul Johnson, Christie Fillhardt and Carla Landon. The openings are for Ms. Howard's and Mr. Johnson's expired terms. Both are eligible to serve a second four-year term.

Applications can be found at cc-pl.org or by calling the branch. Applicants should complete the application and submit a cover letter and resume to Library Director JC Morgan at the Cold Spring Branch, 3920 Alexandria Pike, Cold Spring, KY 41076, by fax, at 859-572-5032, or email to jcmorgan@cc-pl.org.

Early Childhood Literacy, continued from cover

In addition, preschoolers and young children can meet Elephant & Piggie, enjoy face painters and balloons and each child will get a free book while supplies last. In short, the Early Literacy Fair is a great place to make reading fun for your child.



Ms. Pryse knows about that. She has volunteered the past two years at Lincoln Elementary as a reading coach with One to One, a partnership of local schools and the Northern Kentucky Education Council. She worked with a first-grade girl last year and a different first-grade girl this year. She and her pupil read to each other, play sight word games and bond.

In March, the first-grader so enjoyed a leprechaun book, she had Ms. Pryse read it twice. "Every time she sees me, I get a big hug," Ms. Pryse said. "She's very comfortable with me now."

Ms. Pryse's preparation as a coach starts at

the Library. "The Fort Thomas Library has been wonderful in helping me select books and helping me with advice if I have a problem," she said.

Ms. Pryse began volunteering on the recommendation of her son-in-law, a retired teacher, and hasn't looked back. "I love to do it," she said. "I also give the 'grandmother' approach to a child. I remember my grandmother and she was very special."

One to One coaching for the school year ended in April, but Ms. Pryse is looking forward to next school year where another pupil will need a little encouragement and a lot of heart. "You know what? Not every child's window will open at the same time," Ms. Pryse said. "You never know. You just have to be ready to help."

There's no need to register for the Early Childhood Literacy Fair. For more information, visit cc-pl.org. To volunteer to be a One to One reading coach, visit www.nkyec.org.

The Library will be closed Sunday, May 29, and Memorial Day, Monday, May 30. We'll see you 10:30 am-noon Monday, May 30, at the Bellevue-Dayton Memorial Day Parade!





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
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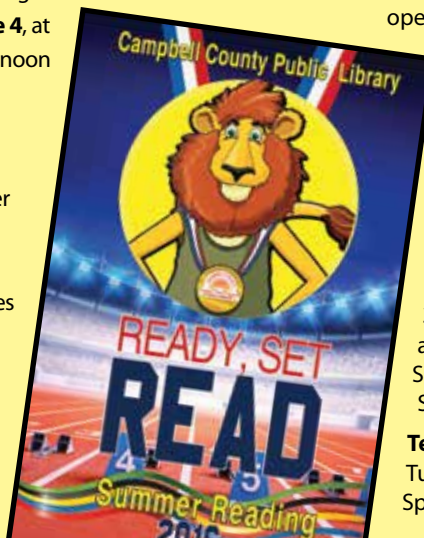
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Looking ahead: Ready, Set, READ with Summer Reading 2016

SUMMER READING 2016 KICKOFF

It's a day of music, carnival games and food **Saturday, June 4**, at all three branches. Enjoy noon entertainment by Ritmo (Cold Spring), Faux Frenchmen (Carrico/Fort Thomas) and Chris Comer Trio (Newport).

For details on how all ages can win great prizes by reading, see our **Summer Reading 2016** guide online or pick up a brochure in the branch.



MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Registration for these popular July events opens two months prior to the event dates:

Regional History Series: Shadows of Newport, 7 pm Thursday, July 7 @ Newport.

Paint and Bake Ceramics Summer Magnets for Grades 1-5 at 3:30 pm Thursday, July 7; and for ages 1-6 at 1 pm Saturday, July 16, at Cold Spring.

Teen Cooking Contest, 6 pm Tuesday, July 26 @ Cold Spring.

ADA Compliance Statement

The Library makes every reasonable effort to provide equal access to all patrons. Please contact access@cc-pl.org or call 859-781-6166 x 31 at least 72 hours prior to an event to arrange for accommodation. All facilities and meeting rooms are ADA compliant.