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1,000 Books Before Kindergarten Now on Beanstack!

**Nurture your child's
brainpower with
reading, which
offers an endless
exploration of
ideas, places and
experiences.**

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Board of Trustees Meeting

The Campbell County Public Library's Board of Trustees meets at 5:30 pm on the third Wednesday each month. Depending on coronavirus restrictions, the meeting may be on YouTube or in-person. Visit our website for the most current information. During the pandemic, all in-person board meetings will be at the **Newport Branch**. All board meetings are open to the public. Next meeting dates are:
May 19, June 16 & July 21.

We suggest

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS: OUR STAFF'S FAVORITE CHILDHOOD BOOKS



***Chugga-Chugga Choo-Choo* by Kevin Lewis**

I used to read *Chugga-Chugga Choo-Choo* by Kevin Lewis to my son so much I had to buy a second copy! He loved the sound effects the train made.

— **Clara Gerner, adult/teen services librarian, Cold Spring Branch**



***The Monster at the End of This Book* by Jon Stone**

It's a cute and colorful book starring Sesame Street citizen Grover! He warns you not to keep reading the book because of the monster lurking at the end but it turns out to be him. So cute!

— **Lisa Kuhn, patron services assistant, Newport Branch**



***Leo the Late Bloomer* by Robert Kraus and Jose Aruego**

Though I was an avid reader as a child, I struggled with reading early on. When our class read *Leo the Late Bloomer*, I told my mom that I was like Leo. I still fondly recall the story and Jose Aruego's beautiful illustrations.

— **Mackenzie Manley, public relations coordinator**



***Corduroy* by Don Freeman**

This book was one of my favorites when I was little because it showed what toys could get up to when we weren't looking. (This was before Toy Story!) And I loved how it ended with Corduroy getting a new button and friend.

— **Sarah Geisler, collection services librarian, Newport Branch**



***A Little Princess and The Secret Garden* by Frances Hodgson Burnett**

These books seem so sweet to me. The movie adaptations of both were also my favorites. *A Little Princess* is, in my opinion, Shirley Temples' best.

— **Toni Reinke, library page, Newport Branch**

Celebrate Early Literacy Week!

Early Literacy Week at the library unfolds Sunday, May 2 - Saturday, May 8.

To celebrate, children who check out items from the library will receive a free book and bookmark to take home, while supplies last.

Early literacy is the natural development of skills through the enjoyment of books. Head over to www.cc-pl.org/early-literacy for daily posts exploring ways in which you can support your child's literacy. Topics range from selecting books to tips for helping your child get the most out of reading time.

End the week that Saturday at our Newport, Cold Spring and Carrico/Fort Thomas branches for a special outdoor story time! Program begins at 10:30 am at all branches. Registration is required.





1,000 Books Before Kindergarten Now on Beanstack!, continued from the cover

The purpose of the 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten program is to start newborns, infants and toddlers on the path to literacy success.

The concept is simple: Read any book to your child and make your way to 1,000. Patrons can now log what they have read via the library's Beanstack app! Or they can use paper logs – just pick one up at any of our branches and fill in a circle for each book read with your child on the reading record.

Participants receive a sticker and a special reading passport after logging the first 100

books. They win stickers and prizes for each subsequent 100-book milestone reached.

Hit 1,000 and come celebrate at the library, receive a certificate, a free book and – hey! – you can even give it a second-go (or as many times as you want).

If the goal sounds lofty, one book per night adds up to 1,095 in just three years. And if your child has a favorite they want to hear again and again, it can be counted multiple times. Books heard at our programs, daycare, preschool or with a friend/family member may also go toward the goal.

To find recommended books, search “books before kindergarten” in the library's catalog. See more details at www.cc-pl.org/1000-books-kindergarten.



Regular Hours Return

Starting this month, the library is returning to pre-COVID-19 hours of operation. As case numbers in Campbell County have gone down, we are able to operate once again at normal hours. Cold Spring, Carrico/Fort Thomas and Newport hours are as follows: 9 am - 9 pm Monday-Thursday; 9 am - 7 pm Friday; 9 am - 5 pm Saturday; and 1 pm - 5 pm Sunday. Alexandria is open from 11 am - 7 pm Tuesday-Friday; 11 am - 5 pm Saturday; and is closed Sunday and Monday.



Learn a New Language

Patrons can access the online language learning system Mango Languages by enrolling with a library card through a computer, tablet or phone. The service offers self-guided courses that go beyond grammar and vocabulary to teach users practical conversation skills for over 70 languages around the world. For more information, visit www.cc-pl.org/mango.

Adults

May Calendar



Arts & Culture Series 7 pm Fridays in May

In-Person Programs

Everyone age 6 or older is required to wear masks. Those attending in-person programs must maintain a 6-foot social distance from others. All in-person programs will be canceled if the county is in the red zone for COVID-19.

Registration required.

Internet Basics

3 pm Monday, May 3

Learn how to select an internet browser, navigate websites, Google and more. Program at **Carrico/Fort Thomas Branch**.

Arts & Culture Series

7 pm Fridays

May 7 - Cincinnati Chamber Orchestra

May 14 - Cincinnati Contemporary Jazz Orchestra

May 21 - Cincinnati Boychoir

May 28 - Kentucky Symphony Orchestra's Men in Black Quintet

Our Arts & Culture series is back with performances every Friday night in May. All performances held outdoors at the **Carrico/Fort Thomas Branch**. The branch will close at 5 pm before each performance to set up.

Summer Movie Series: Bill and Ted Face the Music

9 pm Friday, May 14

[See description on page 6.](#) Ages 13+.



Friends Book Sale

9 am - 5 pm Saturday, May 15

Stock up on summer reads at the Friends of the Library book sale. A large selection of items will be available, with prices ranging from 25 cents to \$3 for select titles, as well as free books. Sale is held in the Friends Room on the lower level of the **Newport Branch**.

Registration not required.

MyChart Tour

4:30 - 6 pm Friday, May 21

Adult/Teen Services Librarian Clara will give a quick tour of the MyChart website/app so you can set up an account and have all of your health information and appointments at the touch of your fingers! Program at **Cold Spring Branch**.

Tech Program: Beginner Basics

1 pm Monday, May 24

Learn the basics of how to use a computer during this class. Program at **Newport Branch**.

Zoom Programs

Registrants will receive an email with the login information on the day of the program. These are live events only offered at the time and date listed. You are not required to have a Zoom account to join. **Registration required.**

Yoga & Meditation

7 pm Tuesday, May 11 & 25

Instructor Phoenix Wilson will guide you through the practice of yoga and meditation during this online class. All welcome.

Family Trivia Night

7 pm Thursday, May 13

Show off your knowledge about space, this month's trivia theme is in honor of the May 26 lunar eclipse. Play to win a \$25 gift card. Teens and adults.

A History of Our Time: Recording History While We Live It

6:30-8:30 pm Tuesday, May 18

This month's installment of City Barbeque's Food for Thought lecture series features Dr. Rebecca Bailey giving a brief exploration of what is known about the everyday people who lived through the 1918 influenza pandemic. She will then discuss how our responses to the COVID-19 pandemic can be recorded for future generations.

Hybrid Programs

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Ice Cream Cone Planters

5:30 pm Monday, May 3
Paint a ceramic pot in the form of your favorite ice cream cone. Program and Take & Make bags at **Newport Branch**.

You've Been Booked!

7 - 8:45 pm Monday, May 3
Binti by Nnedi Okorafor. Zoom option available. Program at **Cold Spring Branch**.
Teens are also welcome.

Newport Book Club

7 pm Tuesday, May 4
Why We Sleep: Unlocking the Power of Sleep and Dreams by Matthew Walker. Zoom option available. Program at **Newport Branch**.

Brown Bag Book Club

Noon Wednesday, May 5
Lincoln in the Bardo by George Saunders.
Zoom option available. Program at **Carrico/Fort Thomas Branch**.

Coffee & Conversation

2 pm Tuesday, May 11
The Neuroscientist Who Lost Her Mind by Barbara K. Lipska. Zoom option available.
Program at **Carrico/Fort Thomas Branch**.

Cup of Crime Book Club

7 pm Wednesday, May 12
Under Current by Nora Roberts. Zoom option available. Program at **Cold Spring Branch**.

Tuesday Book Club

10 - 11:30 am Tuesday, May 18
The Henna Artist by Alka Joshi. Zoom option available. Program at **Cold Spring Branch**.

Talking Tech Troubles with Morgan

2 pm Tuesday, May 18
Feel like you need help catching up with technology? We can help! Tech-savvy librarian Morgan will guide you through this meeting's topic: virtual and augmented reality. Zoom option available. Program at **Carrico/Fort Thomas Branch**.

Young Adult for Grown Adults

7 pm Tuesday, May 18
The Vanishing Stair by Maureen Johnson.
Zoom option available. Program at **Newport Branch**.

Alexandria Book Club

7:30 pm Thursday, May 20
The Death of Mrs. Westaway by Ruth Ware. Zoom option available. Program at **Alexandria Branch**.

Real Men Read

7 - 9 pm Thursday, May 27
The Library Book by Susan Orlean. Zoom option available. Program at **Cold Spring Branch**.

Play Online

Dungeons & Dragons on Roll20

5 - 8 pm Friday, May 7
Join Dungeon Master Clara as she leads you through a virtual D&D adventure! All you need is your computer and an internet connection. Register. Ages 13+.

Take & Make

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Herbal Eye Pillow

5 pm Monday, May 10
Relax by creating an herbal eye pillow. Take & Make bags at **Newport Branch**.

Felt Succulents

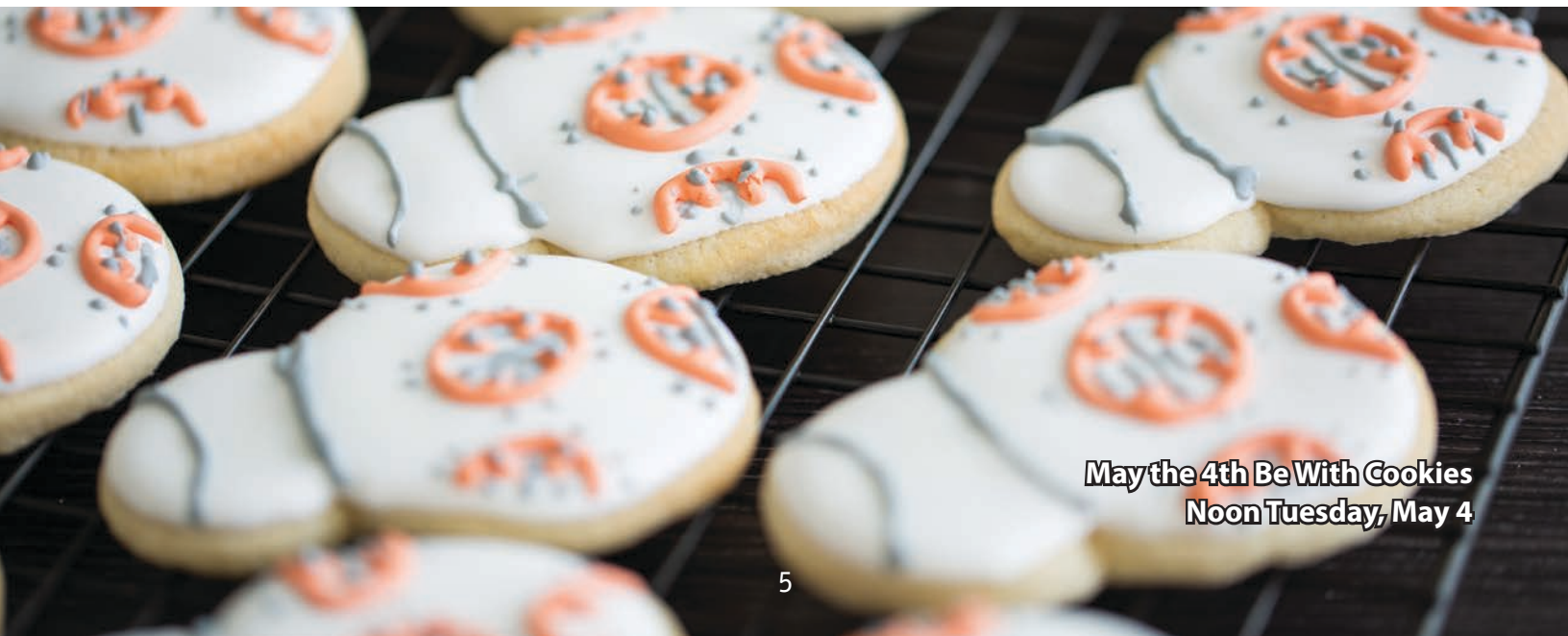
6 pm Thursday, May 13
Create a cute hassle-free succulent display using felt ribbons and a clay saucer. Take & Make bags at **Carrico/Fort Thomas Branch**.

YouTube Programs

Go to [YouTube.com](https://www.youtube.com/campbellkylib) and type campbellkylib in the search bar to see all of our YouTube programs, both past and present. New videos premiere at the time and date listed.

May the 4th Be With Cookies

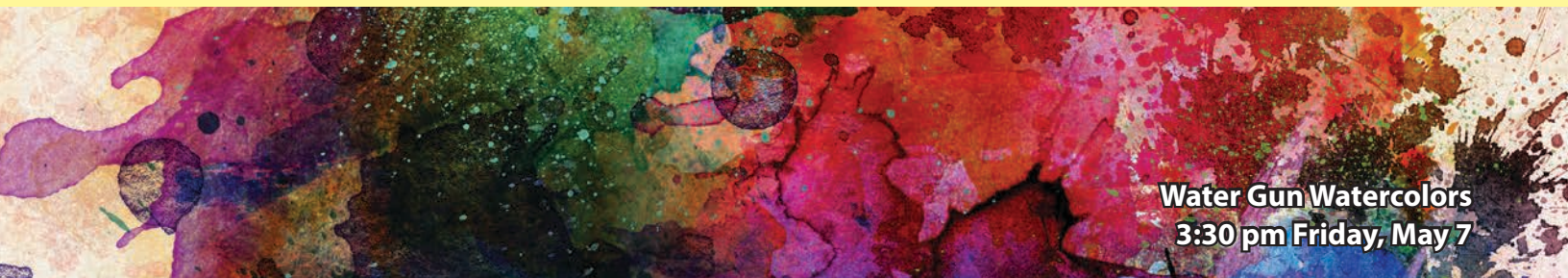
Noon Tuesday, May 4
Library staff members go head-to-head to make the best Star War cookies. Vote for your favorite in the video's comments!



May the 4th Be With Cookies
Noon Tuesday, May 4

Teen

May Calendar



Water Gun Watercolors
3:30 pm Friday, May 7

In-Person Programs

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Head-to-Head Gaming Challenge

4 - 6:30 pm Wednesday, May 12
Bring a friend to face off against in a series of two-player-only games. Program at **Alexandria Branch.**

Summer Movie Series: Bill and Ted Face the Music

9 pm Friday, May 14
Grab some popcorn, park your car and kick back to a screening of *Bill and Ted Face the Music*. A screen will be placed in our **Newport Branch's** side lot. Ages 13+.

Teen Anime Club

5 - 6:30 pm Monday, May 17
Watch anime, talk about manga and just have some fun! Program at **Cold Spring Branch.**

Game Day

4 pm Thursday, May 20
Need to unwind after school? Play some games using our Playstation VR, Oculus Quest and Nintendo Switch consoles. Program at **Carrico/Fort Thomas Branch.**

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You've Been Booked!

7 - 8:45 pm Monday, May 3
See description on page 5. Zoom option available. Program at **Cold Spring Branch.**

Water Gun Watercolors

3:30 pm Friday, May 7
Draw a picture and then shoot watercolor paint on it! Program and Take & Make bags at **Newport Branch.**

Wish Bracelets

3-4:45 pm Thursday, May 13
Create a bracelet and make a wish as you tie it on. Program and Take & Make bags at **Newport Branch.**

Cartoons & Canvas

4 pm Thursday, May 13
Get creative and watch some cartoons! Zoom option available. Program at **Carrico/Fort Thomas Branch.**

Tween Scene: DIY Fans

4 pm Tuesday, May 18
Prepare yourself for the summer heat by decorating a folding fan. Program and Take & Make bags at **Newport Branch.** Ages 8-14.

Play Online

Dungeons and Dragons on Roll20

5 - 8 pm Friday, May 7
See description on page 5. Ages 13+.

Minecraft Club

5 - 7 pm Monday, May 10
Join local players in the virtual world of Minecraft using the library's server. All you need is a Java Minecraft account. Register. For questions, email cgerner@cc-pl.org. Ages 8-14.

Take & Make

Register for these programs to be put on a list to pick up a Take & Make bag with all supplies and instructions needed. The bags must be picked up at the designated branch by the date and time listed and are available starting a week before. **Registration required.**

DIY Magnets

3 pm Thursday, May 20
Create a cool magnet to place on your fridge or locker. Take & Make bags at **Newport Branch.**

Design Your Own Graduation Cap

5 pm Monday, May 24
Design and keep your own graduation cap in celebration of the school-year's approaching end. Take & Make bags at **Cold Spring Branch.**

Seashell Garland

4 pm Wednesday, May 26
Craft seashell garland for a summery vibe! Take & Make bags at **Carrico/Fort Thomas Branch.**



Children

May Calendar



**Cincinnati Observatory
Presents: Moon Phases
4 pm Thursday, May 6**

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Movers and Shakers

10:30 am Tuesday, May 4 & 18

10:30 am Saturday, May 8

Shake, move and sing in this musical story time. Children who register will receive a Movers and Shakers story time kit, including an egg shaker and scarf to use in the programs. Program held outside at **Carrico/Fort Thomas Branch**. Ages 2-3.

Story Time at Alexandria Community Park

10 am Wednesday, May 5, 12, 19 & 26

Help your children develop literacy skills through stories, songs and games. Program held outside at **Alexandria Community Park**. All ages.

Toddler Time

10 am Wednesday, May 5, 12, 19 & 26

10:30 am Saturday, May 8

This story time will exercise little ones' busy bodies and minds. Stick around for a craft and open play. Program held outside at **Cold Spring Branch**. Ages 2-3.

Cincinnati Observatory Presents: Moon Phases

4 pm Thursday, May 6

Talk about the moon and do lunar activities with the Cincinnati Observatory. Program at **Cold Spring Branch**. Grades 1-5.

Ready for K Through Play

10:30 am Saturday, May 8

10 am Tuesday, May 18

Learn and practice important skills like socializing with other children, language skills, and following directions by reading books and singing fun songs! Program held outside at the **Newport Branch**. Ages 3-5.

Storytots

10:30 am Thursday, May 13 & May 27

One of the best ways a child can learn is through play. The songs we sing and books we read at story time can have a positive influence on young minds. Program held outside at the **Newport Branch**. Ages 3-5.

Together Time Tales

10:30 am Thursday, May 13 & 27

Miss Jennifer reads stories and leads activities to help your little ones develop important literacy skills. Program held outside at the **Carrico/Fort Thomas Branch**. Ages 3-5.

Kentucky Shakespeare Presents: Fairytales Around the World

4 pm Thursday, May 20

Kentucky Shakespeare will teach us the lessons fairytales provide through dramatic storytelling. Program at **Cold Spring Branch**. Grades 1-5.

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Gnome Home

4 pm Thursday, May 6

Build a magical home for tiny gnomes. Take & Make bags and program at **Carrico/Fort Thomas Branch**. Grades 1-5.

Masterpiece Makers

1 pm Wednesday, May 12

Learn about the women of Gee's Bend and make art inspired by them. Program and Take & Make bags at **Newport Branch**. Grades 1-5.

Tween Scene: DIY Fans

4 pm Tuesday, May 18

[See description on page 6. Ages 8-14.](#)

Build a Kite

4 pm Thursday, May 27

Make and decorate your own kite. Program and Take & Make bags at **Carrico/Fort Thomas Branch**. Grades 1-5.

Play Online

Minecraft Club

5 - 7 pm Monday, May 10

[See description on page 6. Ages 8-14.](#)

Take & Make

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Unicorn Crafts

4 pm Monday, May 10

Make your own unicorns and learn about the elusive creature. Take & Make bags at **Cold Spring Branch**. Grades 1-5.



Cold Spring Branch

3920 Alexandria Pike
Cold Spring, KY 41076
859-781-6166 — email: csinfo@cc-pl.org

Carrico/Fort Thomas Branch

1000 Highland Avenue
Fort Thomas, KY 41075
859-572-5033 — email: ftinfo@cc-pl.org

Newport Branch

901 East Sixth Street
Newport, KY 41071
859-572-5035 — email: nwinfo@cc-pl.org

Alexandria Branch

8333 Alexandria Pike
Alexandria, KY 41001
859-572-7463 — email: alinfo@cc-pl.org

Library Express

Pick up holds and return items
Silver Grove — Firehouse
Melbourne — St. Philip Parish Center

Hours

Cold Spring, Carrico/Fort Thomas and Newport Branches

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

Alexandria Branch

Tuesday-Friday 11 am – 7 pm
Saturday 11 am – 5 pm
Sunday & Monday Closed

May 30 & 31 – Closed Memorial Day
May 14 – All branches open at noon

Services

Patron Services: 859-572-5041

Storytelling: 859-572-5039

Download books & music:

<https://kyunbound.overdrive.com>

Download the library app:

www.cc-pl.org/app

Visit us online @ www.cc-pl.org



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LOOKING AHEAD

Summer Reading

Summer Reading Kickoff is Saturday, June 5!
Registration opens at Cold Spring, Carrico/Fort Thomas and Newport branches at 9 am; 11 am for Alexandria. Sign up at the library and you may go home with some rad giveaways, from flashlights to reusable water bottles, backpacks and more. Enjoy activities in-person or watch live on YouTube!

- 11 am @ Cold Spring: Eating Gross Food Face-Off
- 1 pm @ Newport: Low Mess Finger Painting
- 3 pm @ Carrico/Fort Thomas: Arrowhead Reptile Rescue

Find out more in the Summer Reading brochure, available at the library this month, or online.



ADA Compliance Statement

The Library makes every reasonable effort to provide equal access to all patrons. Please contact access@cc-pl.org or call ext. 8 at your local branch at least 72 hours prior to an event to arrange for accommodation. All facilities and meeting rooms are ADA compliant.