

Cold Spring Fort Thomas Newport Alexandria

September 2021

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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. All board meetings are open to the public. Next meeting dates and locations are:

- Sept. 15 at Fort Thomas
- Oct. 20 at Alexandria
- Nov. 17 at Cold Spring
- Dec. 15 at Newport

We suggest

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS: BOOKS THAT MADE US FALL BACK IN LOVE WITH READING



The Henna Artist by Alka Joshi

The story was captivating and emotional. I couldn't wait to find out where it was going. I listened to the audiobook and the narrator, Sneha Mathan, did a lovely job reading it.

— Amy Carroll, adult/teen programming coordinator



Percy Jackson & the Olympians by Rick Riordan

When I get in a reading slump I like to go back and read the books I loved growing up. One of my favorites is *Percy Jackson & the Olympians* by Rick Riordan.

Revisiting old favorites helps me regain the motivation to read.

Andrea Holt, outreach services assistant



Ready Player One by Ernest Cline

After what seemed like the 500th day of March 2020, the universe gifted me with nothing to do. I needed a great adventure (not my go-to) and Cline's cleverly crafted story fit the bill. I cheered, cussed, and winced for Wade, and finished its 375 pages in less than 4 days.

— Craig Branch, adult/teen services programmer, Carrico/Fort Thomas Branch



The Song of Achilles by Madeline Miller

Although it is a retelling of a story from Greek mythology, Miller's story feels fresh and kept me guessing about how things would turn out. It reminded me of how strong an emotional connection I can have to a book, especially after a reading slump.

— Katherine Sallee, information services assistant, Carrico/Fort Thomas Branch

Bluegrass Band Fast Track to Perform at Newport Branch

Bluegrass band Fast Track will perform at our Newport Branch Friday, Sept. 10 at 7 pm as part of our Signature Series, which aims to provide enriching cultural experiences for the community. The five-piece band are veteran players on the Grand Ole Opry stage, and have collectively performed across both North America and Europe. To prepare for the concert, the Newport Branch will close at 5 pm. Free tickets are required. To register for tickets, call 859-781-6166, ext. 8, or visit www.cc-pl.org/signature-series.





Never Fear... Fine Free is Here, continued from the cover

We're vanquishing overdue fines once and for all. Moving to a fine-free model is in line with what library systems across the country have enacted based on extensive research which conclude that overdue fines do not ensure the return of borrowed items. They do, however, keep patrons from accessing valuable services.

The library paused overdue fines in March 2020 due to the pandemic, which saw an overwhelmingly positive response and the return of many items once considered lost.

In 2019, the American Library Association passed a resolution stating that fines "create a barrier to the provision of the library and information services" and urged systems to eliminate them. But what does going fine free mean for you? Read on to find out.

What does fine free mean?

There will no longer be overdue fines on books, magazines, movies, video games and other materials. Items still need to be returned so that everyone may enjoy them. Materials more than 60 days overdue will be considered lost, and a replacement fee will be charged.

Why are you eliminating fines?

Fines often penalize already vulnerable individuals who can't afford them - the very people who often need the library most. We want everyone to feel welcome in the library and be able to use our resources to unlock their full potential. Our role is to provide equal access to the programs, services and materials patrons need to pursue their goals without creating unnecessary financial barriers.

What are the benefits of going fine free? Library systems that have eliminated overdue

fines experienced positive results, including increases in circulation and the number of people using their library. Other benefits include improving patron relationships with the library; redirecting staff time toward patron-focused services rather than handling fines; students returning to use homework resources and increased library card registrations.

Will I have to wait longer for my holds?

Research indicates that fine-free libraries have not experienced an uptick in late returns but rather have seen declines. Wait times for materials have not increased. Our staff will continue to regularly watch hold lists and order additional copies of popular materials when necessary.

How do I learn more?

For more information, visit our website at www.cc-pl.org/fine-free.

Play, Explore, Build

This family-friendly STEAM-based program puts an emphasis on engineering. Build creations straight from your imagination while enjoying Campbell County parks 10 am-noon Saturday, Sept. 11 at Southgate Community Center Park and Sept. 25 at Alexandria's A.J. Jolly Park. The library will supply all the necessary building materials. Attendees will also be entertained by a balloon artist from Cincinnati Circus!



Library Card Photo Contest

We're celebrating Library Card Sign Up Month with a contest! To enter, snap a photo with your library card this month and submit it on our website. Five winners will be randomly selected to win a free shopping spree of the Newport Branch's Friends Book Sale area and a CCPL-themed prize pack. All ages are eligible to win. View details at www.cc-pl.org/photo-contest.

Alexandria

September Calendar



Programs

All state and federal COVID-19 mandates will be followed. All programs are in-person, unless noted. If the county is in the red zone for COVID-19, all attendees age 6 or older must wear a mask. **Registration is required for all programs.**

Book Discussions

The Alexandria Book Club

7:30 pm Thursday, Sept. 16 *The Henna Artist* by Alka Joshi.

Cam's Kids Book Club

4:30 pm Tuesday, Sept. 28

No Small Potatoes: Junius G. Groves and His Kingdom in Kansas by Tonya Bolden. Register to get a free copy of the book. Grades 1-5.

Adults

Stop the Bleed

7 pm Thursday, Sept. 9 University of Cincinnati Medical Center will train you how to stop bleeding after an injury.

Banned Book Bingo

5-6:30 pm Wednesday, Sept. 22 Celebrate Banned Book Week with some book bingo!

Teens & Tweens

CCPL Roblox Club

4 pm Saturday, Sept. 25 Play Roblox games on private VIP servers hosted by library staff. Ages 8-14. Play online.

Families

Pokémon Adoption Party

3 pm Saturday, Sept. 18 Put your skills to the test with a series of games and challenges. Every child will get to take home free "adopted" Pokémon cards.

Children

Grades 1-5, unless noted.

Crafternoon

4:30 pm Wednesday, Sept. 15 Help Miss Molly clear out her craft supplies by enjoying an afternoon full of arts and crafts.

Homeschool Hangout: Book Bingo

1 pm Wednesday, Sept. 22 Make new friends and socialize with other homeschool families at the library while enjoying rounds of Bingo. Winners receive a free book!

Young Ones

Preschool Story Time

11:15 am Tuesday, Sept. 14, 21 & 28 Help your child develop their pre-literacy skills with fun activities, crafts and themed books. Ages 3-5.

Baby Story Time

11:15 am Friday, Sept. 17

This story time promotes bonding with baby through singing, rhyming and reading board books. Story time is followed by free play complete with sensory toys. This program provides a great opportunity for socializing your little ones as well as making connections with other parents. Newborn-2.

Cold Spring

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Book Discussions

Cup of Crime Book Club

7 pm Wednesday, Sept. 8 **The Great Alone** by Kristin Hannah.

Homeschool Book to Movie Club

11:30 am Thursday, Sept. 16 *Flora & Ulysses* by Kate Dicamillo. Register to get a free copy of the book. Ages 8-12.

You've Been Booked

7-8:45 pm Monday, Sept. 20 *One Punch Man Vol. 1* by ONE and Yusuke Murata. Open to both adults and teens.

Tuesday Book Club

10-11:30 am Tuesday, Sept. 21 *Little Fires Everywhere* by Celeste Ng.

Real Men Read

7-9 pm Thursday, Sept. 23 *Enemies, a Love Story* by Isaac Bashevis Singer. All welcome.

Adults

Cold Spring Stargazers Club

6-8:30 pm Thursday, Sept. 2
Join others in studying the night sky. Track the moon and study constellations using the Orion SkyQuest XT6 Classic Dobsonian Telescope. In case of bad weather or cloudy skies, the back-up date is Sept. 9.

Dungeons & Dragons

5-8 pm Friday, Sept. 3 Save the small town of Wolfvale from spiderlike dark elves in this one-shot adventure for up to six characters. New and experienced players are welcome.

All Things Dune Trivia Night

6 pm Friday, Sept. 10 In celebration of the new *Dune* film being released in October, put your knowledge of the pop culture phenomenon to the test – from Frank Herbert's books to David Lynch's 1984 movie to the 3-part miniseries – for the chance to win prizes and bragging rights. Brush up on your knowledge before the program by checking out *Dune* from our collection.

Signs and Symptoms of Stroke and Heart Attack

3 pm Tuesday, Sept. 21
Do you know the simple steps you can take to prevent a heart attack and stroke? Learn about the risks and symptoms of a heart attack and stroke when the St. Elizabeth Cardiovascular Mobile Health Unit visits Cold Spring.

Teens & Tweens

Minecraft Club

5-7 pm Monday, Sept. 13 Using the library's server, hang out with local players in a virtual world fighting monsters and building large projects together. All you need is a Java Minecraft account to join. Ages 8-14. Play online.



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After Hours Game Night

7-10 pm Friday, Sept. 17 Play your favorite consoles, board and card games after hours at the Cold Spring Branch. We have over 100 different board and card games plus five different console systems.

Snacks, pizza and drinks provided. Ages 12+.

Teen Media Club: Blockbuster Monsters

5-7 pm Monday, Sept. 27 Do you like movies? TV shows? Video games? All three? Join us as we discuss all different forms of media. September's theme is Blockbuster Monsters. Godzilla, the kaiju from *Pacific Rim* and so many more. Ages 11-19.

Families

Family Board and Card Game Day

1-5 pm Sunday, Sept. 12
Gather your family for a day at the library playing tabletop and card games. Choose any game from our collection of over 100 or bring a favorite from home.

Sand Art Party

11 am Saturday, Sept. 18 You may have built a sand castle but have you ever painted with sand? Different stations of colored sand will be available for children to create works of art.

Harvest Party

11 am Saturday, Sept. 25 Celebrate the start of autumn with our Harvest Party complete with themed crafts, games, apple cider and snacks.

Children

Grades 1-5, unless noted.

Homeschool Hangout: Kentucky Shakespeare

11 am Tuesday, Sept. 14
Enjoy acting out *Midsummer Night's Dream*with the family, while also exploring technical
elements of theatre and collaborating
with fellow peers. This will give your child
the opportunity to explore the world of
Shakespeare. Grades K-5.

Lego Club

4 pm Thursday, Sept. 16
Put your engineering skills to the test at Lego Club. What incredible structure can you build with Legos? Maybe the Eiffel Tower or the Leaning Tower of Pisa? Whatever you can imagine, you can create.

Book Bingo

4 pm Thursday, Sept. 23 Get five in a row for BINGO for the chance to win a book.

Cincinnati Observatory Presents: Constellations

4 pm Thursday, Sept. 30 Did you know that September is one of the best times of year to stargaze? Join us to talk about stargazing and constellations with experts from the Cincinnati Observatory. You may even see planets like Mars, Jupiter and Venus!

Young Ones

Tot Time

9:30 am & 11:30 am Monday, Sept. 13, 20 & 27 Build your child's development skills through engaging and interactive themed stories, songs, and motor skills play. Time is allowed at the end of the program for open play and interaction. Ages 1-3.

Toddler Time

10 am & 11 am Wednesday, Sept. 15, 22 & 29 Stories, songs, and bouncy rhymes that will exercise your little ones' busy bodies and busy minds. Followed by a craft to match the day's theme and open play. Ages 2-3.

Baby Time

9:30 am Thursday, Sept. 16, 23 & 30 Strengthen your baby's language skills through engaging and interactive songs, rhymes, simple movement games and books. Newborn-2.

Preschool Time

10:30 Thursday, Sept. 16, 23 & 30 Help your child develop their pre-literacy and motor skills with themed stories, motor skills play and crafts. Ages 3-5.

Carrico/Fort Thomas

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Programs

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Book Discussions

Coffee & Conversation

2 pm Wednesday, Sept. 8 **Naturally Tan** by Tan France. Coffee & tea will be provided. Register. Zoom option available.

If You Give a Kid a Book Club

4:30 pm Thursday, Sept. 9 **Drawn Together** by Minh Le. Register and get a free copy of the book. Zoom option available. Grades 1-5.

Adults

Fall Leaf Wreath

2 pm Tuesday, Sept. 14; 6:30 pm Thursday, Sept. 16 Use cardstock, hot glue, wire and an embroidery hoop to make a seasonal wreath! Register for one date only.

ASL Basics for You! 6:30 pm Thursday, Sept. 23

American Sign Language (ASL) is a natural way to communicate, expressed by movements of the hands and face. In addition to long-term cognitive benefits of learning another language, signers tend to have increased spatial reasoning and broader sensitivity to those around them. Attendees will gain a primer into this inclusive language, and encouragement for continued use in their

Talking Tech Troubles with Morgan

own lives.

2 pm Tuesday, Sept. 28
Join tech-savvy librarian Morgan for a friendly discussion of technology topics. This meeting we will go over smart assistants like Alexa, Siri and Google Now. Find out what devices they work with, how they can help you and what security or privacy concerns we should have when we use them.

Teens & Tweens

Craft Extravaganza

4 pm Thursday, Sept. 2 You bring the imagination. We provide the art supplies. What will you make? Ages 8-14.

Cartoons & Canvas

4 pm Wednesday, Sept. 8 & 15 Watch cartoons and get creative. This month's project is watercolor bookmarks! Ages 11-19. Sept. 15 date held via Zoom.

Tween K-Pop Party

4 pm Thursday, Sept. 16 Sing your heart out with K-Pop karaoke or dance along; snap a picture with a band using our green screen; learn Korean words; and try popular Korean snacks! Ages 8-14.

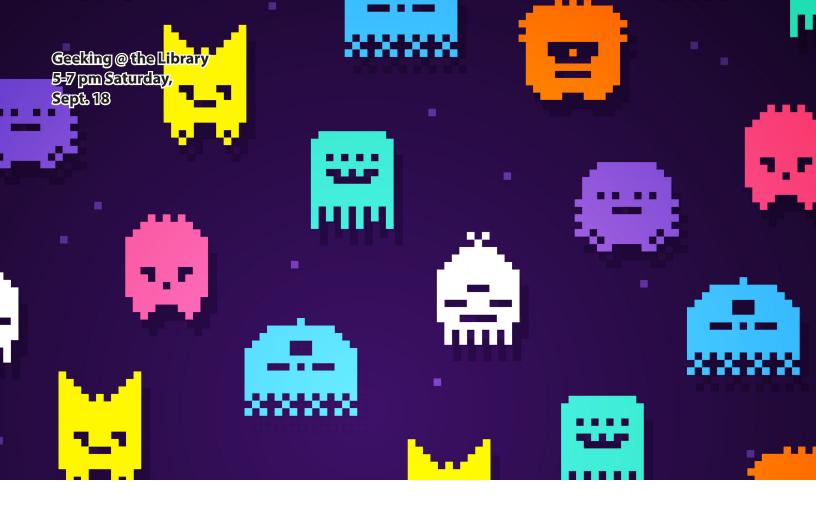
Life-sized Pac-Man

4 pm Thursday, Sept. 30
Race against ghosts and the clock in this lifesized, in-real-life, interactive spin on the classic arcade game Pac-Man. Yes, there will be theme music. And it will be 8-bit. But you'll bring the 3-D element! Ages 11-19.

Families

Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs Interactive Movie

1-2:30 pm Saturday, Sept. 18 Watch out for flying food! Become a part of the movie *Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs* with library-provided props and actions.



Carrico/Fort Thomas, continued

Geeking @ the Library

5-7 pm Saturday, Sept. 18
Are you an avid Dungeons & Dragons player?
Maybe you collect Pokémon Trading Cards
or love video games. Link up with fellow
geeks at the library. Bring items from home or
enjoy the library's collection, which includes
everything from D&D Adventures to Mario
Party on Nintendo Switch. Geekdom has no
age limit: Families, teens and adults are all
welcome. Children age 10 and under must be
accompanied by a caregiver.

Puppy Tales

2-4 pm Saturday, Sept. 25 Come read a story or two to a specially trained therapy dog. Sessions will be 15 minutes. Library staff will contact you to schedule a specific time.

Graphic Novel Fans

4 pm Monday, Sept. 27 Talk about graphic novels, share your work, and get tips from published authors and artists. Those who attend the meeting have a chance to win graphic novels just for coming!

Children

Grades 1-5, unless noted.

Survival Skills

4 pm Monday, Sept. 13 Teaching kids wilderness survival skills instills confidence, enhances self-esteem, provides necessary exercise and creates a bond with nature. Register for this program to learn outdoor survival skills through games and crafts.

Craft Extravaganza

4 pm Monday, Sept. 20 You bring the imagination. We provide the art supplies. What will you make? We can't wait to see!

Young Ones

Movers and Shakers

10 am Monday, Sept. 13, 20 & 27 Shake, move and sing in this active, musical story time. Time is allowed at the end of the program for open play. Ages 2-3.

Together Time Tales

10 am Tuesday, Sept. 14, 21 & 28 Spend quality time together while reading, playing and learning. Ages 3-5.

Lap Time

10 am Wednesday, Sept. 15, 22 & 29 Build language, motor and social skills in very young babies through songs, rhymes, books and lap bounces. Newborn-2, especially for pre-walkers.

Baby Time

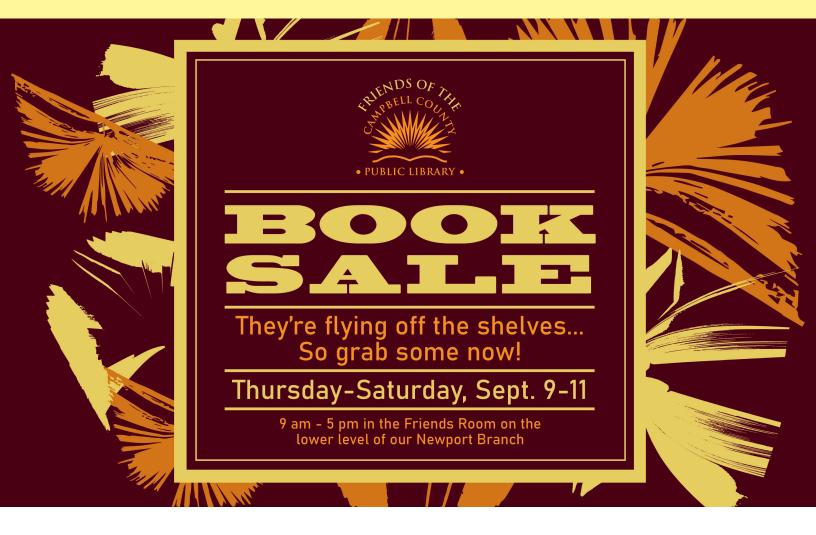
9:30-10:15 & 10:30-11:15, Sept. 16, 23 & 30 Strengthen your baby's language, motor and social skills through engaging and interactive songs, rhymes, simple movement games and books. The program ends with time for open play. Newborn-2.

Mommy and Baby Yoga

10:30 am Saturday, Sept. 25 Mommies and babies will enjoy stretching, strengthening and interacting with others. Please bring a mat if you have one and wear comfortable clothing. Newborn-2.

Newport

September Calendar



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Registration is required for all programs.

Book Discussions

Newport Book Club

7 pm Tuesday, Sept. 7 *Djinn Patrol on the Purple Line* by Deepa Anappara.

Tween Book Club

4 pm Friday, Sept. 10 **The Wild Robot** by Peter Brown. Register to get a free copy of the book. Zoom option available. Ages 8-14.

Young Adult for Grown Adults

7 pm Tuesday, Sept. 21

A Quiet Kind of Thunder by Sara Barnard.

Adults

Friends Book Sale

9 am – 5 pm Thursday-Saturday, Sept. 9-11 Who doesn't love a good book sale? A large selection of items will be available, with prices ranging from 25 cents to \$3 for select titles. Free books will also be available.

Hoxworth Mobile Unit

11 am – 5 pm Friday, Sept. 10 Please consider being a blood or platelet donor when the Hoxworth Mobile Unit visits our Newport Branch.

Signature Series: Fast Track

7 pm Friday, Sept. 10 Signature Series is back with bluegrass band Fast Track. Free tickets required. See page 2 for more information.

St. Elizabeth Mobile Mammography Screening

9 – 11 am Monday, Sept. 13 The St. Elizabeth Mobile Mammography



Newport, continued

will offer screenings, which are covered by Medicare, Medicaid and most insurance companies under the following guidelines: Ages 35-40 baseline screening; over 40 annual screening. Financial assistance to those who qualify. To schedule an appointment, call 859-655-7400.

Beach Necklace

5-7 pm Monday, Sept. 13 Savor those last summertime rays by making beach-themed necklaces perfect for pretending you're somewhere seaside.

Zoom Yoga

7 pm Tuesday, Sept. 14 & 28 Yoga is a timeless system of self-care that helps us gain strength, suppleness, balance and awaken to our present heart and mind. Zoom.

Lunchtime Yoga

Noon Thursday, Sept. 23 Explore the practice of yoga and meditation during this lunchtime class.

Teens & Tweens

Impromptu

3 – 4:45 pm Wednesdays The time may be planned but the fun is not. Hang out, play a game or relax. Ages 11-19.

DIY Pinwheels

3:15 pm Thursday, Sept. 2 Make festive pinwheels to get ready for Labor Day. Ages 11-19

Tween Scene: Fluffy Slime

4 pm Tuesday, Sept. 14 Create colorful fluffy slime. Ages 8-14.

Popsicle Boxes

3:15 pm Thursday, Sept. 16 Make boxes that look like super kawaii popsicles to hide things in. Ages 11-19.

Tween Scene: Wind Chime

4 pm Tuesday, Sept. 21 Hear the whispers of the wind with chimes. Ages 8-14.

Tween Scene: Finger Knitted Snakes

4 pm Tuesday, Sept. 28 Slither to the library and make your own finger knitted snakes. Ages 8-14.

DIY Phone Pillow Stand

3-5 pm Thursday, Sept. 30 Take watching videos to the next (comfortable) level by making a phone stand. Ages 11-19.

Families

Family Fun Night: Soul

6:30-8:30 pm Thursday, Sept. 16
Gather your family for a movie night
featuring Academy Award-winning Pixar
movie *Soul*. Activities for kiddos of all ages
will be available along with prepackaged
snacks.

Library Scavenger Hunt

11 am Saturday, Sept. 18 Celebrate Library Card Sign Up Month by learning more about your Newport Branch! We will have a short library tour followed



by a scavenger hunt that puts your library knowledge to the test.

Fluffy Paint

11 am Saturday, Sept. 25 Enjoy painting? Try creating your own masterpiece with colorful fluffy paint.

Children

Grades 1-5, unless noted.

Little Prodigies: Butterfly Wings

4 pm Wednesday, Sept. 15 Fly into the sunshine with your very own pair of butterfly wings.

Homeschoolers' Club: Astronomy

1 pm Thursday, Sept. 16 For this month's lesson, we are going to learn how to locate and name the stars in the sky and, to help you remember, you'll be able to take home your own constellation DIY craft.

Little Prodigies: I Spy Bottle

4 pm Wednesday, Sept. 22 I spy with my little eye... a bottle! Join us and make your own I spy bottle.

Little Prodigies: Egg Carton Wreath

4 pm Wednesday, Sept. 29 Celebrate fall by hanging an egg carton wreath on your door.

Young Ones

Ready for K Through Play

10 am Monday, Sept. 13, 20 & 27 This story time focuses on books, music and play to get your child ready for kindergarten. Each week uses classic story time fun to focus on a different skill. Ages 3-5.

Movers and Shakers

10 am Tuesday, Sept. 14, 21 & 28 Shake, move and sing in this active, musical story time. Time is allowed at the end of the program for open play and interaction. Ages 2-3.

Baby Bounce and Rhyme

10 am Wednesday, Sept. 15, 22 & 29 Reading with your little one from an early age is a great way to start developing their literacy skills. Bounce around in this story time with literacy activities for babies as well as reading and singing time. Newborn-2.

Storytots

10 am Thursday, Sept. 16, 23 & 30 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. Ages 3-5.

Homeschoolers' Club: Astronomy
1 pm Thursday,
Sept. 16



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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

All branches closed Labor Day Sunday, Sept. 5 & Monday, Sept. 6.

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

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LOOKING AHEAD

Camping with the Library

Spend the day with the library at A.J. Jolly Park making trail mix, hiking, crafting, playing games and more. As the sun sets, gather around the campfire for a cooking demo and storytelling session and then join the Cincinnati Observatory for a tour of the night sky. Held from 1 pm Saturday, Oct. 2 to 10 am Sunday, Oct. 3, this overnight program requires patrons to register individually for each activity and to secure a campsite. Tent and hammock campers only.



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.