



Cold Spring
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February 2023

CONNECTIONS

Drop in for **Library Lover's Month**

From Valentine's Day-themed programs to book clubs to teen/tween events and beloved series, story times and more—there's a lot to love this February at the library.



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Who to talk to

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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. The next meeting dates and locations are:

- February 15 at Alexandria
- March 15 at Cold Spring
- April 19 at Newport
- May 17 at Fort Thomas

We suggest

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS: MOVIES TO WATCH FOR BLACK HISTORY MONTH—AND ALL YEAR LONG



Do the Right Thing

Legendary director Spike Lee's 1989 movie is a must watch. Set on the hottest day of the year in the Bedford-Stuyvesant section of Brooklyn, this film is packed with lively characters, humor, social commentary and drama. As the movie unfolds, racial tensions are brought to a boiling point on the scorching hot summer day.

— **Mackenzie Manley, public relations coordinator**



ATL

Directed by Chris Robinson and starring T.I., *ATL* is a coming-of-age film that follows four teenagers growing up in Atlanta, where they hang out at the local roller-skating rink. As the end of high school looms, they each face challenges and life changes.

— **Molly Walker, children's services librarian, Cold Spring Branch**



Beloved

Based on Toni Morrison's novel, *Beloved* follows a woman who has just gained her freedom from slavery but is still dealing with the trauma of losing her daughter at a young age while she was a slave. It touches on trauma, ghosts from the past and learning to move on with life. It's a beautiful movie and it really struck a chord with me the first time I watched it.

— **Tera Stadtmiller, information services assistant, Carrico/Fort Thomas Branch**



Hidden Figures

Hidden Figures tells the inspiring true story of Katherine Johnson and the other Black women mathematicians who worked at NASA during the Space Race in the early 1960s. Their work helped make space travel possible, and their efforts were unknown and unappreciated for too long. This movie is based on the nonfiction book by Margot Lee Shetterly, and its entire cast puts on a great performance.

— **Sarah Geisler, collection services librarian**

Dolly Parton's Imagination Library

Keep your child's bookshelves stocked with Dolly Parton's Imagination Library. Through a partnership with local schools, CCPL offers

the service to children age 5 and under in Campbell County. Sign your child up to receive a free book every month. You can enroll children as soon as they're born! Those enrolled can expect to receive books eight to 10 weeks after they register. All books are new, free and absolutely yours to keep.

There is no cost or obligation to families. The initiative aims to get books in the hands of children and promote childhood literacy. Register now at www.cc-pl.org/imagination-library.



level up

WITH THE LIBRARY



Coming to a branch near you this February is Level Up with the Library. This month is all about teens and tweens with special programs throughout February on Fridays at our Newport, Cold Spring and Carrico/Fort Thomas branches. All programs kick off at 5 pm.

No matter your interests or vibe, you're sure to find something to love at Level Up.

Sing your heart out at Newport's **K-Pop Party on Feb. 3**, where you can share your love of Korean Pop music, exchange bias cards (fan-

made photo cards of K-Idols) and even help make the perfect playlist. Enjoy snacks and stick around for the chance to score prizes.

If you're a fan of Rick Riordan's *Percy Jackson* series, you won't want to miss Cold Spring's **Camp Half-Blood Training Day on Feb. 10**. Spend a day in the life of a Greek demigod with themed crafts, sword fighting lessons, trivia and prizes.

If you've worked up an appetite training, head to Carrico/Fort Thomas' **Edible Terrariums**

on Feb. 17, where you can create a life-like terrarium from sweets and snacks.

Closing out the series is Newport's **After Hours Gaming Lock In on Saturday, Feb. 25**. Held from 5-9 pm, participants can go head-to-head as they represent their branch in endless competitions with prizes on the line. Play video and board games, watch anime and eat snacks.

For more information, visit www.cc-pl.org/level-up

Alexandria

February Calendar

Programs

Registration is required for all programs, unless noted.

Book Discussions

After Hours Book Club

7:30 pm Thursday, Feb. 16

A Man Called Ove by Fredrik Backman.

Cam's Kids Book Club

4:30 pm Tuesday, Feb. 28

Packs by Hannah Salyer. Register to get a free copy of the book. Grades K-5.

Adults

Internet Basics

11:30 am Thursday, Feb. 9

Learn about basic terminology, functionality and navigation of internet browsers, search engines and websites.

Families

Kids of all ages and their families.

Puppy Tales

4-6 pm Friday, Feb. 3

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.

Family Board Games

5-6:30 pm Thursday, Feb. 9

Gather your family for an evening of tabletop board and card games. Choose from the library's collection or bring a favorite from home.

Bubble Party

3 pm Saturday, Feb. 25

Play with indestructible bubbles, make a bubble wand and create bubble art.

Children

Grades K-5.

DIY Valentines

3 pm Friday, Feb. 10

Share your love for others by decorating valentines. Supplies provided include doilies, glitter and more.

Homeschool Hangout: Lava Lamp Science

1 pm Wednesday, Feb. 15

Create lava lamps using household supplies.

Young Ones

Registration is not required for story times.

Preschool Story Time

11:15 am Tuesdays

Help your child develop pre-literacy skills with fun activities, crafts and themed books. Ages 3-5.

Baby Story Time

11:15 am Fridays

Enjoy singing, rhyming, reading board books for babies and free play complete with sensory toys. Newborn-age 2.

Cold Spring

February Calendar

Programs

Registration is required for all programs, unless noted.

Book Discussions

Cup of Crime

7 pm Wednesday, Feb. 8
Wayfaring Stranger by James Lee Burke.

Homeschool Book to Movie Club

11:30 am Thursday, Feb. 16
Read the book and then watch the movie.
Harry Potter & the Prisoner of Azkaban by J.K. Rowling. Register to receive a free copy of the book. Ages 8-14.

Real Men Read

7-9 pm Thursday, Feb. 23
Gorky Park by Martin Cruz Smith. All are welcome. No registration is required.

Tuesday Book Club

10-11:30 am Tuesday, Feb. 21
Katherine of Aragon by Alison Weir. No registration is required.

Adults

Stargazers Club

6-8:45 pm Thursday, Feb. 2
Study the night sky looking for stars and the moon using the Orion SkyQuest XT6 Dobsonian Telescope.

Dungeons and Dragons

6-10 pm Friday, Feb. 3
Experienced and new players alike are invited to play Dungeons and Dragons 5e.

Shaking Up Shakespeare: Romeo and Juliet

6-8 pm Wednesday, Feb. 15
Enjoy a performance of select scenes from *Romeo and Juliet* by Kentucky Shakespeare.

Food for Thought: The Colonization of Distance

6:30 pm Tuesday, Feb. 21
NKU's Dr. Jonathan Reynolds will discuss how innovations from around the 1800s to the present shrank travel time. However, systems like segregation created new forms of distance for others. City Barbeque sandwiches provided.

Teens & Tweens

Ages 11-19, unless noted.

Camp Half-Blood Training Day

5-7 pm Friday, Feb. 10
See details on pg. 3. Ages 8-19.

Minecraft Club

5-7 pm Monday, Feb. 13
Explore the world of Minecraft using the library's server.

Sunflower Macramé Keychains

5-7 pm Monday, Feb. 20
Learn to make sunflower macramé keychains.

Teen Hangout

5-7 pm Monday, Feb. 27
Head to the library for a night of board games, movies, video games, crafts and more.

Families

Kids of all ages and their families.

Paw Patrol Party

11 am Saturday, Feb. 4
Hang out with Chase and the gang for a *Paw Patrol*-themed party.

Trollstice Party

11 am Saturday, Feb. 11
Listen to the *Trollz* soundtrack, make crafts and play games. No registration is required.

Family Board and Card Game Day

1-5 pm Sunday, Feb. 12
Bring your family to the library to play tabletop board and card games. No registration is required.

Mardi Gras Party

11 am Saturday, Feb. 18
Celebrate Mardi Gras, a New Orleans carnival, a few days early with games and crafts.

CCPL Roblox Club

11 am Saturday, Feb. 25
Play different Roblox games with other local kids using the library's private VIP servers.

Children

Grades K-5.

Harry Potter Book Night

4 pm Thursday, Feb. 2
Immerse yourself in the wizarding world of

Harry Potter. Enjoy games, crafts and treats. Come dressed as your Hogwarts House.

Valentine's Day Crafts

4 pm Thursday, Feb. 9
Make Valentine's Day themed crafts that can be given to others as gifts.

Homeschool Hangout: Valentine's Day Party

11 am Tuesday, Feb. 14
Celebrate Valentine's Day with other homeschool students.

Kids on the Block Puppet Show

4 pm Thursday, Feb. 16
This puppet show teaches children about bullying and provides strategies to make schools safer.

Dog Man Party

4 pm Thursday, Feb. 23
Fans of *Dog man*, rejoice! Celebrate the graphic novel series with themed games, music and art.

Young Ones

Registration is not required for story times.

Tot Time

9:30 & 11:30 am Mondays
Build your child's development skills through engaging and interactive stories, songs and gross motor play, which is followed by open play. Ages 1-3.

Toddler Time

10 & 11 am Wednesdays
Exercise your little one's busy bodies and minds with stories, songs, rhymes and a craft. Ages 2-3.

Baby Time

9:30 am Thursdays
Strengthen your baby's language skills through engaging and interactive songs, rhymes, simple movement games, books and open play. Newborn-age 2.

Preschool Time

10:30 am Thursdays.
Help your child develop pre-literacy and motor skills with themed stories, gross motor play and crafts. Ages 3-5.

Carrico/Fort Thomas

February Calendar

Programs

Registration is required for all programs, unless noted.

Book Discussions

Must Read Romance

7 pm Thursday, Feb. 2

Rather than an assigned title, members choose books to discuss based on a rotating theme. February's theme: **Romantic Comedy**.

Coffee & Conversation

2 pm Wednesday, Feb. 8

When No One is Watching by Alyssa Cole.

If You Give a Kid a Book Club

4:30 pm Thursday, Feb. 9

Lia & Luis: Who Has More? by Ana Crespo.

Register for a free copy of the book. Grades K-5.

Adults

Groundhog Day Party

7-9 pm Wednesday, Feb. 1

Watch the 1993 film *Groundhog Day* while

enjoying themed crafts and activities. Teens are welcome with an adult. Ages 13+. No registration is required.

Galentine's Day: Teapot Planters

5:30-7:30 pm Thursday, Feb. 9

Gather your friends for Galentine's Day, a holiday coined by sitcom Parks and Recreation. Drop in during the allotted time to paint a teapot planter, enjoy waffle-style snacks and sip hot drinks. No registration is required.

Talking Tech Troubles

2 pm Tuesday, Feb. 21

Learn about technology in this judgment-free group. This meeting's topic: **Health tech and resources**. Tech-savvy librarian Morgan will discuss wearables and apps that can help support your health.

Teens & Tweens

Ages 11-19, unless noted.

Tween Clay Creations

4:30 pm Thursday, Feb. 2

Make miniature food, animals and more with model clay. No registration is required. Ages 8-14.

Dungeons and Dragons

4:30-7 pm Saturday, Feb. 11

Play Dungeons and Dragons at a staff-run table or on your own. Pre-generated characters and basic supplies will be available. A small snack and water will be provided.

Valentine's Pokémon Party

4:30 pm Thursday, Feb. 16

Have fun with other Pokémon fans while we watch the anime, play games and enjoy a craft. This month's program features fairy-type Pokémon. Ages 8-14.

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Feb. 9**





**Kennedy Heights Arts Center:
Magnificent Makers**
4 pm Monday,
Feb. 20

Edible Terrariums

5 pm Friday, Feb. 17
See details on pg. 3. Ages 8-19.

Skill Check: Roleplaying

4:30 pm Tuesday, Feb. 28
Hone your skills in Dungeons and Dragons and other tabletop role-playing games at Skill Check, a monthly club for new and experienced players alike. This month's topic: **Role-playing your character.** No registration is required.

Families

Kids of all ages and their families.

Art at the Armory: Watercolor

4:30-6 pm Tuesday, Feb. 7
Head to the Armory in Fort Thomas' Tower Park (950 S. Ft. Thomas Ave.) for an afternoon of painting with watercolors.

Homeschool Hive: Cincinnati Observatory

11 am Friday, Feb. 10
Learn about nebulas and the lifecycle of stars from the Cincinnati Observatory. Afterward, create a nebula in a jar. No registration is required.

Book BINGO

4 pm Monday, Feb. 13
Play a classic round of BINGO for the chance to win a free book. No registration is required.

Puppy Tales

2-4 pm Saturday, Feb. 18
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.

Little Hands Art: Sticker Mania

10:30 am Saturday, Feb. 25
Create sticker art. No registration is required.

Children

Grades K-5.

Meowd About You Party

4 pm Monday, Feb. 6
Play paw-some games and create purr-fect crafts with other feline fans. No registration is required.

Magical Kitties Save the Day!

2 pm Saturday, Feb. 11
Take on the role of a cat as you solve problems to save humans in Magical Kitties Save the Day, a beginner-friendly role-playing game for all ages.

Kennedy Heights Arts Center: Magnificent Makers

4 pm Monday, Feb. 20
Kennedy Heights Arts Center will visit the library to teach about contemporary artist Faith Ringgold. Afterward, create a masterpiece of your own inspired by her work. No registration is required.

Cartoons & Canvas

4 pm Monday, Feb. 27
Watch your favorite cartoons while painting on canvas. No registration is required.

Young Ones

Registration is not required for story times.

Movers & Shakers

10 am Mondays
Shake, move and sing in this active, musical story time. Ages 2-3.

Together Time Tales

10 am Tuesdays
Read, play and learn together. Open play follows the story time. Ages 3-5.

Cozy Time for Babies

10 am Wednesdays
Designed for the youngest babies, this story time is filled with songs, rhymes and gentle movement games to encourage your baby's language, motor and social development. Open play and socializing at the end. Register.

Baby Wigglers

10 am Thursdays
Designed for babies who are walking and on the move, this story time included engaging songs, rhymes, energetic movement games to encourage your baby's language, motor and social development. Followed by open play. Newborn-2, especially for walkers. Register.

Valentine Babies

10 am Saturday, Feb. 4
Celebrate Valentine's Day with your little one with books, songs and a handprint craft. Register.

Mommy and Baby Yoga

10:30 am Saturday, Feb. 18
Mommies and babies will enjoy stretching and strengthening and interacting with others. Please bring a mat if you have one and wear comfortable clothing. Register.



Newport

February Calendar

Programs

Registration is required for all programs, unless noted.

Book Discussions

Newport Book Club

7 pm Tuesday, Feb. 7

Yellow Wife by Sadeqa Johnson.

Tween Book Club

Friday, Feb. 10

Wonder by R.J. Palacio. Register for a free copy of the book. Ages 8-14.

Young Adult for Grown Adults

7 pm Tuesday, Feb. 21

When the Sky Fell on Splendor by Emily Henry.

Adults

Paper Bead Jewelry

6 pm Monday, Feb. 6

Learn how to make cute paper bead jewelry.

Speed Friending

6-8 pm Monday, Feb. 13

Love may be in the air but platonic connections are just as great. Connect with others over shared interests and you may walk away with a new pal.

Smartphone Basics: Apps

6 pm Monday, Feb. 20

Learn about phone apps.

Teens & Tweens

Ages 11-19, unless noted.

Impromptu

3-4:45 pm Thursdays

Play board games, eat snacks, draw or simply hang out. The time is planned, the fun is not. No registration is required.

K-Pop Party

5-7 pm Friday, Feb. 3

See details on pg. 3. Ages 8-19. No registration is required.

Tween Scene

4 pm Tuesday, Feb. 7 & 21

Make DIY scratch art and go head-to-head in a LEGO challenge at this month's Tween Scene. Ages 8-14. No registration is required.

Knitting 101

3-5 pm Wednesday, Feb. 8

Learn knitting basics. Yarn, patterns and knitting needles provided. No registration is required.

Libraryoke

3-5 pm Wednesday, Feb. 15

Sing your heart out at the library. No registration is required.

After Hours Gaming Lock In

5-9 pm Saturday, Feb. 25

See details on pg. 3. Ages 8-19.

Families

Kids of all ages and their families.

Rainbow Collage

11 am Saturday, Feb. 4

Make rainbow collages using glue and art pieces. No registration is required.

Family Evening: Funny Face Frame Craft

6 pm Thursday, Feb. 9

Have a memorable evening making a funny face frame. Instant film photos will be available to capture the night. No registration is required.

Love Bugs

11 am Saturday, Feb. 11

Just in time for Valentine's Day, craft an adorable love bug. No registration is required.

Take and Make: DIY Stickers

Thursday, Feb. 15-Feb. 22

Drop by the library between Feb.15-22 to pick up a DIY sticker kit, which includes instructions, tape, coloring supplies, paper and wax paper.

Take Me Out to the Ballgame Story Time

11 am Saturday, Feb. 18

A guest speaker from the Cincinnati Reds Hall of Fame will guide you through the wild and wacky world of baseball. Build a baseball diamond, tap out a rhythm to "Take Me Out to the Ballgame" and more.

I Spy Bottles

11 am Saturday, Feb. 25

Pick through knick-knacks to make a bottle inspired by the *I Spy* books. No registration is required.

Children

Grades K-5.

Homeschool: Germ Prevention

1 pm Thursday, Feb. 2

Guest speaker Sherri Hoffman, a community health educator from Anthem, will teach attendees about germ prevention through fun and engaging activities.

Homeschool: The Color Wheel

1 pm Thursday, Feb. 16

Explore how to make different colors by mixing them together with hands-on activities. No registration is required.

Afternoon Art: Tin Can Creatures

4 pm Thursday, Feb. 23

Afternoon Art allows kids the chance to explore art mediums and materials without the cost or worry of grading. This session, make tin can creatures. No registration is required.

Young Ones

Registration is not required for story times.

Ready for K Through Play

10 am Mondays

Get your child ready for kindergarten with books, music and play. Ages 3-5.

Movers & Shakers

10 am Tuesdays

Shake, move and sing in this active, musical story time. Ages 2-3.

Baby Bounce and Rhyme

10 am Wednesdays

Bounce around in this story time featuring literacy activities, reading and singing. Newborn-age 2.

Little Bookworms

10 am Thursdays

Encourage reading by taking your children to story time, which includes songs, books and games. Ages 3-5.



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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

Services

Patron Services: 859-572-5041

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<https://kyunbound.overdrive.com>

Download the library app:

www.cc-pl.org/app

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LOOKING AHEAD

STEAM Month

March is Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math (STEAM) Month at the library. From Pi Day celebrations to building computers to VR Gaming and an egg drop, there's something for all ages and interests system wide. Look for more details in the March newsletter or on our website. Plus, prep for the library's annual STEAM Reading Challenge; earn one badge via the Beanstack app for each book read in STEAM categories. One prize will be given per age group (children, teens, adults).



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.