

# LIBRARY TALK



**From the Desk of  
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CIVIC AND SOCIAL  
LITERACY

## The Lollipop Jar

There is one thing that all kids notice when they come to the library: the jar of lollipops. Even though it is tucked away on the back counter at the Member Services Desk, the lollipop jar shines like a beacon to those who map their world according to where they can get a lollipop.

Here is a typical interaction:

**Kid:** Can I have a lollipop?

**Staff:** At our library, you have to tell us a joke or make a funny face to get a lollipop.

**Kid:** Okay. What do you call a bear that has no teeth?

**Staff:** I don't know

**Kid:** A gummy bear!

**Staff:** (laughs) I haven't heard that one before!

While this may seem like a simple exchange—a joke for a lollipop—it reflects the multifaceted work of librarians. By interacting with the child, we help build their self-confidence and self-advocacy, both of which are essential skills for success in life. If a child doesn't have a joke ready, we invite them to choose one from our Joke Jar, which is filled with jokes generously provided by a volunteer. Through this seemingly ordinary act of asking for a lollipop, we can see how librarians uphold their core values: transforming and enriching individual lives by providing information, offering recreation, promoting literacy, encouraging lifelong learning, and serving as community hubs.

## Library Hours

Mondays & Wednesdays - 10 am - 2 pm

Tuesdays & Thursdays - 12 pm - 8 pm

Fridays & Saturdays - 10 am - 1 pm

THE FRIENDS OF KCL  
SPRING USED BOOK,  
JIGSAW PUZZLE,  
AND BAKE SALE



## The FRIENDS of KCL Spring Used Book, Puzzle, & Bake Sale

**Friday, April 25th, 2025**

**9:00 am - 6:00 pm**

**Saturday, April 26th, 2025**

**9:00 am - 3:00 pm**

**Located in the Hellam Twp  
Municipal Building**

What have we all been waiting for? The Friends' Used Book Sale and, it's almost here. Books, DVDs, audiobooks, jigsaw puzzles, and homemade baked goods. Something for everyone at wonderful prices!

## Help Needed for the Spring Used Book Sale!

**Wed., April 23rd - Sat., April 26th**

### SIGN UP HERE!

The Friends of Kreutz Creek Library are looking for extra help with the Spring Used Book Sale.

- Strong adults to move boxes of books during set up hours Wednesday, April 23rd
- Packing and moving books & tables during clean up on Sat. afternoon, April 26th
- Lighter work includes preparing table displays and checking out customer purchases.
- Directing traffic during busy hours
- Bakers to make special treats to be sold at the book sale.

Are you able to volunteer a few hours to make our library fundraiser a huge success? If so, check out the needed jobs and **SIGN UP HERE.**



## Library Tales for Tails | For Ages 6+

**Thursday, April 17, 2025**

**5:30pm - 6:30pm**

**Our friendly library dog, Jager (& his friends),  
love a good story, especially when  
that story is read by you!**

**Sign up when you arrive!!**

Library Tales for Tails invites readers to read aloud in a warm and supportive environment! When you arrive, sign up for a 10-minute time slot to read. The certified therapy dogs are provided by R.E.A.D (Reading Education Assistance Dogs). Petting and hugging are allowed!

## Beyond the Books: An Evening with David Baldacci



York County Libraries welcomes international bestselling author David Baldacci to the Appell Center on May 22, 2025 for the inaugural "Beyond the Books" program benefiting **York County Libraries**. The event starts at 7:00pm.

This author event is made possible thanks to the support of our presenting sponsor, John M. and Maria A. Polli.

Attendees will listen to Baldacci discuss his life as a best-selling novelist, his writer's routine, and humorous stories from the road. Following the talk will be a one-hour signing of Baldacci's April 2025 new release, *Strangers in Time*.

VIP ticketholders and sponsors will also be admitted to an exclusive pre-event reception with Baldacci.

Tickets (\$52 standard, \$155 VIP) are available now exclusively through the Appell Center Box Office at [AppellCenter.org](http://AppellCenter.org).

### Silent Book Club | Ages 13+



**Thursday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>**  
**6:00 pm – 7:45 pm**

**Community Room**  
**A SOCIAL GROUP**  
**FOR PEOPLE**  
**WHO LOVE TO READ!**

Do you want to hang out with people, but not sacrifice your reading time? Do you take a book with you to social gatherings? If you answered "Yes" to any of these questions, we would love to have you join us. Trivia, refreshments, reading, and book talk!  
**Just drop in. No RSVP necessary!**

### Garden Talk with Melanie Markowski



**Hostas: Showy, Sun-Tolerant,**  
**and Edible**

**Thursday, April 10, 2025**  
**6:30 pm - 7:45 pm**

**No RSVP necessary!**

We think of hostas as shade plants but some varieties fare quite well in sunnier areas. Hostas offer gorgeous leaf colors, flowers, and fragrances, & believe it or not, are **EDIBLE!** Learn more when Melanie shares her knowledge of the incredible, edible, sun-tolerant hostas.

**No RSVP required!**

**Just drop by and bring a gardening friend.**



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#### DAYTIME GROUP:

**1st and 3rd Tuesdays**  
**1:00 pm to 2:45 pm**  
**Tues., April 1st**  
**Tues., April 15th**

#### EVENING GROUP:

**1st and 3rd Thursdays**  
**6:00 pm - 7:45 pm**  
**Thurs., April 3rd**  
**Thurs., April 17th**

KCL's group of crocheters and knitters chat while working on projects already begun or while starting brand new ones. No matter whether you knit, crochet, cross-stitch, or embroider, all are welcome! Come to one group or both. The more the merrier.



# CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILY PROGRAMS

## Preschool Story Time with Miss Felicia

**Ages 3 - 5**

**Spring Schedule**

**Fri., March 21st -**

**Fri., May 7th \***

**Fridays**

**10:30 am - 11:30 am**



**\* No Story Time on 4/4 & 4/25/2025**

Enjoy special stories & music presented by Miss Felicia & make a craft. For children ages 3-5 years and their caregivers.

**RSVP Requested**

## Baby and Toddler Story Time with Miss Felicia

**Ages 0 - 3**

**Spring Schedule**

**Wed., March 19th -**

**Wed., May 5th**

**Wednesdays**

**10:30 am - 11:15 am**



Join Miss Felicia on Wednesdays at the library to enjoy fun-filled short stories, songs, and fingerplays.

**RSVP Requested**

## Spring Family Story Time with Miss Felicia at Chick-fil-A East

**1st Thurs. of the month**

**9:00 am - 9:45 am**

**Thurs., March 6<sup>th</sup> -**

**Thurs., May 1st**



Come enjoy stories and make a fun craft with Miss Felicia at Chick-fil-A East York on the first Thursday of each month.

For children ages 3-5 years and their caregivers.

Please **RSVP online** or by calling 717-252-4080.

## **Kreutz Creek Library's Builders Club Designed for Kids, ages 6 and up!**

**2 Opportunities to Attend**

**Thursday, April 17th**

**4:30 pm - 5:30 pm**

**Saturday, April 19th**

**10:30 am - 11:30 am**



Miss Felicia selects a new theme each month. Use your imagination to create your masterpiece. We have LEGO® bricks, Keva Planks, K'nex, Lincoln Logs, Magnatiles, and much more. No registration required.

## Kreutz Creek Family Story Time at Flinchbaugh's Orchard and Farm Market



**Spring Schedule**

**Tuesday, April 1<sup>st</sup> -**

**Tuesday, May 27<sup>th</sup> \***

**10:00 am - 10:45 am**

**RSVP Requested**

Join us at the farm for stories, songs, & a take-home craft with Miss Felicia under the Orchard Pavilion (rain or shine).

Geared for kids ages 1-5 years, but older siblings are welcome to attend and participate.

**\* Note:** On May 13, 20, & 27 Miss Kristin from Flinchbaugh's Orchard will be presenting the storytimes:)

## **TWEEN PROGRAMS, ages 9 - 12**

**The Danger Club**

Kreutz Creek Library  
2nd Tuesday of the Month  
6:30 pm - 7:30 pm

**The Danger Club  
In-Person**

**Tues., April 8th**

**6:30 pm - 7:30 pm**

Join Miss Jennifer for a new adventure every month, with just the right amount of mayhem!

**Library Squad**

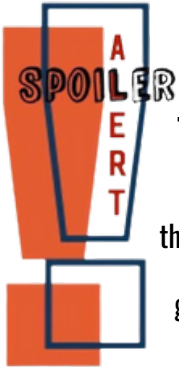
**In-Person**

**Tues., April 15th**

**6:30 pm - 7:30 pm**



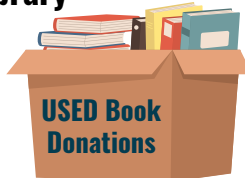
Join Miss Jennifer as she engages Tweens in shaping library programs for their age group.

**Spoiler Alert****TEENS, ages 12 - 18****Thurs., April 1<sup>st</sup> | 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm**

Spoiler Alert! is a teen review group that meets online via Zoom. We discuss and review books, TV Shows, movies, video games, and more. The group meets every month. Please RSVP on our online calendar to receive the Zoom link.

**Manga Book Club  
(Teens 12-18)****Let's Talk about:****Sat. April 19th  
1:30 pm - 2:30 pm****Sasaki and  
Miyano****by Shō Harusono****THE FRIENDS CORNER**

The Friends of Kreutz Creek Library is a group of civic-minded individuals who recognize that a good library is central to a good community. Through committee work, the Friends raise funds, help promote library awareness and help to improve and expand library service by working with the library manager.

**Used Book Donation Drop-Off Days  
at Kreutz Creek Library****April Dates:****Tues., April 1<sup>st</sup> | 12 pm – 6:00 pm****Thurs., April 17<sup>th</sup> | 12 pm – 4:00 pm**

The Friends of KCL have added another way to donate your gently used books, CDs, DVDs, and jigsaw puzzles. We now have Book Drop-Off days scheduled throughout the year. Stop by the library on the above dates/times and the Friends will be there to help.

Remember, you can still arrange special appointment times for drop-off by calling the main desk at the library or emailing [Friends.kcl@gmail.com](mailto:Friends.kcl@gmail.com)

**Friends of KCL Branch Support Group****In-Person Gathering in the  
Community Room****Tuesday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>  
5:30 pm - 6:30 pm**

The Friends typically gather on the 4th Tuesday of the month for a 1-hour meeting starting at 5:30 pm in the large Community Room. Drop by to hear library updates and discussions about upcoming events and join in on the exchange of ideas to ensure our community library remains vital for future generations.

All are welcome. If you have any questions email us at [Friends.KCL@gmail.com](mailto:Friends.KCL@gmail.com) or call the library at 717-252-4080.

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