

# LIBRARY TALK



## From the Desk of Jennifer Johnson, Library Manager

CIVIC AND SOCIAL  
LITERACY

Nowadays, many things compete for our attention, time, and resources, including our jobs, families, social media, and the causes we support.

When my kids were in elementary school, there was always a fundraiser or three for some organization they were involved in. Not having family here, we had to ensure that we didn't double-dip our friends and generate 'giving burnout'.

This is a key challenge that many non-profit organizations face. YCL has watched its traditional funding sources become less dependable over the years. To meet this challenge, YCL has launched a new initiative, Literacy for Change, a 24-hour online peer-to-peer fundraising and advocacy effort to support the library services happening behind the scenes that benefit the whole county, such as the vans that deliver materials to all library locations and free Wi-Fi in all library buildings. Your donation to this initiative is a form of advocacy, an indication of your support for YCL's mission to strengthen the York County community and enrich individual lives.

Advocacy can take other forms. KCL's Library Squad is a group of youth dedicated to creating opportunities to promote the library in the community. They will be appearing in costume at Flinchbaugh's Harvest Fest on Saturday, October 25th, and will interact with visitors to share information about the library. Our young people will shape the world as they grow into leaders and decision-makers. What they advocate for now is founded on their dream for the future. Think about this, the next time a young person asks you to donate to a fundraiser.

## Library Hours

Mondays & Wednesdays - 10 am - 2 pm

Tuesdays & Thursdays - 12 pm - 8 pm

Fridays & Saturdays - 10 am - 1 pm

## Grade One at the Library ( GOAL)



It's back to school, and for all kids entering first grade, we invite you to join YCL's GOAL program. York County Libraries and Orrstown Bank team up to introduce first-graders to the abundance of books, special programs, and technology available through a library membership.

During September, Miss Felicia visited the first-grade classrooms in our Kreutz Creek community to encourage students to sign up for a library card. As part of the program, first-graders will receive some fun prizes for their first three visits to the library. For more information, visit <https://www.yorklibraries.org/library-services-programs/programs/goal/>



## Death Café Book Club | Please RSVP

Facilitated by Andrea Williams, MA  
Bereavement Counselor, Grane Hospice

Tuesday, October 14th

2:00 pm – 3:30 pm

You are not alone during times of change, grief, and loss. No matter if you are navigating a recent loss, reflecting on one from the past, or preparing for an anticipated transition, the Death Café Book Club offers a welcoming space to share and heal. As we dive into the themes of our monthly book selection, connect with others who understand your journey. Our October book selection is "The Curious Charms of Arthur Pepper" by Phaedra Patrick. Copies are available for check out at the Member Services Desk.

Please register on our online calendar

<https://events.yorklibraries.org/event/death-cafe-book-club-12012>

## The Friends of KCL Fall Puzzle Swap

Saturday, November 1, 2025

10:00am–12:00pm

Get ready for The Friends of KCL Puzzle Swap. Have puzzles to trade? Swap one of yours for one of ours. You may also purchase puzzles. 100+ piece-puzzles are \$2.50 each and <100-piece puzzles are \$.50 each.



## CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILY PROGRAMS

### Baby and Toddler Story Time with Miss Felicia

Ages 0 - 3

**Fall Schedule**

**Wed., Sept., 24<sup>th</sup> -**

**Wed., Nov. 12<sup>th</sup>**

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

**Please RSVP online**



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

### Preschool Story Time with Miss Felicia

Ages 3 - 5

**Fall Schedule**

**Fri., Sept. 26<sup>th</sup> -**

**Fri., Nov. 14<sup>th</sup>**

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

**Please RSVP online**



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

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



**Fall Schedule  
w/YCL's Miss Monee**

**Tuesday, Sept. 16<sup>th</sup> -**

**Tuesday, Oct. 28<sup>th</sup>**

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

Join YCL's Miss Monee at the farm for stories, songs, & a take-home craft under the Orchard Pavilion (rain or shine). Geared for kids ages 1-5 years, but older siblings are welcome to attend and participate.

### **Kreutz Creek Library's Builders Club**

**Designed for Kids, ages 6 and up!**

**2 Opportunities to Attend**

**Thursday, Oct. 18<sup>th</sup>**

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

**Saturday, Sept. 20<sup>th</sup>**

**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.

### Jager & Library Tales for Tails joins

### KCL's Halloween Spooktacular

**Ages 6 - 11 | Please RSVP**

**Special October Date:**

**Thursday, October 30th | 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm**

Jager has donned his Halloween costume and is joining Miss Felicia for a family story time full of Halloween fun. Come show off your Halloween costumes, listen to some (NOT SCARY) stories, and decorate Halloween cookies. Plus, when you arrive, you may also sign up for a 10-minute time slot to read to Jager and his friends!



**TWEEN PROGRAM, ages 9 - 12**

**The  
Danger  
Club**

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

**The Danger Club**  
**Tues., Oct. 14<sup>th</sup>**  
**6:30 pm - 7:30 pm**

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

**TWEEN/TEEN PROGRAM, ages 9 - 18**

**Library Squad**  
**Tues., Oct. 21<sup>st</sup>**  
**6:30 pm - 7:30 pm**



Join Kayla and Jennifer as they engage Tweens and Teens in shaping library programs for their age group.



**Spoiler Alert**  
**TEENS, ages 12 - 18**

**Tuesday, Oct. 7<sup>th</sup>**  
**5:00 pm - 6:00 pm**

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

Want to know more? Contact Kayla at the library

**Manga Book Club**  
**(Teens 12-18)**

**Sat., Oct. 18<sup>th</sup>**  
**1:30 pm - 2:30 pm**

**LET'S Meet at Boba Lush**  
**3937 E. Market St.**  
**to discuss**

**Mermaid Prince**  
**by Kaori Ozaki**

**No RSVP**



**Silent Book Club | Ages 13+**



**Thursday, Oct. 2<sup>nd</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**

**Ornamental Grasses, Big and Small**  
**for your Landscape**



**Thursday, October 9<sup>th</sup>**  
**6:30 pm - 7:45 pm**

**Community Room**  
**No RSVP!**

Ornamental grasses enhance your landscape with beauty and texture while being low-maintenance and providing year-round color. They also stabilize soil and resist pests. Don't know which grasses to select? Melanie will share helpful planting tips specifically for our growing zone, so you can get started on your garden.

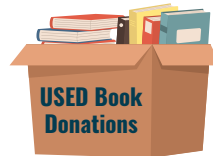


**Stitch and Chat!****Chat and Stitch!****Stitch and Chat!****DAYTIME GROUP:****1st and 3rd Tuesdays****1:00 pm to 2:45 pm****Tues., Oct. 7<sup>th</sup>****Tues., Oct. 21<sup>st</sup>****EVENING GROUP:****1st and 3rd Thursdays****6:00 pm - 7:45 pm****Thurs., Oct. 2<sup>nd</sup>****Thurs., Oct. 16<sup>th</sup>**

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.

**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**
**October Dates:****Tues., Oct. 7<sup>th</sup> | 12 pm – 6:00 pm****Thurs., Oct. 23<sup>rd</sup> | 12 pm – 6:00 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)

**NEW DAY OF THE MONTH!****Friends of KCL Branch Support Group**

In-Person Gathering in the  
Community Room

**Mon., Oct. 20<sup>th</sup>****5:30 pm - 6:30 pm**

The Friends typically gather on the 3rd Monday 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.