

Knoxville Public Library



Winter/Spring 2022

Library Hours
M-TR: 10a.m.- 8p.m.
F: 10a.m.- 5p.m.
Sat: 10a.m.- 3p.m.

National Library Week

National Library Week is April 3-9th. The theme for National Library Week 2022, "Connect with Your Library," promotes the idea that libraries are places to get connected to technology by using broadband, computers, and other resources. Libraries also offer opportunities to connect with media, programs, ideas, and classes—in addition to books. Most importantly libraries also connect communities to each other. Overall, the theme is an explicit call to action—an invitation for communities to join, visit, or advocate for their local libraries.



Ramps and Pathways STEM Program

On Monday, February 14, the library hosted Ramps and Pathways STEM event for Grades K-6 with Special Guest Angela Hiatt from Iowa PBS. Ramps and Pathways is a STEM curriculum that involves inclined planes and movement of objects. Children enjoyed creating ramps using blocks and marbles to test their experiment.



Library D.I.Y. for Adults

Adult D.I.Y. continues at the library. Here are a few recent projects:

- January- Monogram Paper Quilling
- February- Valentine Pins
- March- Salt & Sugar Scrubs



Join us April 12 for
mini plant pots

D.I.Y is the 2nd Tuesday of each month. ALL materials provided.

KPL Kicks Off 2022 Art Project

The library is excited to kick off our 2022 Art Project. Our goal is to commission midwest-based artists to design, create, and install custom pieces of art for the library. The project includes a unique, mutually-beneficial marketing campaign. We can't wait to see all the amazing talent that's out there and bring it here to our community. We're currently reviewing submissions.



Author Visits to KPL

The library was thrilled to resume hosting authors this winter. In January, author Larry Baker read from his latest novel, *Wyman and the Florida Knights*. In February, we were joined by author Beth Hoffman to discuss her new book, *Bet the Farm: The Dollars & Sense of Growing Food in America*.



Spring Break at KPL

Spring Break (March 14-18) was a busy week at the library. Events included Family Bingo Night, Lego for Fun, and Krafting for Kids.

We were also pleased to partner with Knoxville Food Youth Initiative to provide 215 snack packs to youth!

Iowa Flag Day

Iowa Flag Day was March 29th. To celebrate this special day, the library hosted a book signing with T. Waldmann-Williams for her new book *My Name Is Dixie: Designer of the Iowa Flag*. As the title suggests, the book chronicles the life of Dixie Cornell Gebhardt, the Knoxville native behind the design of Iowa's state flag, and features watercolor art recreations of Dixie's life.

Artist Receptions

Quilt-maker Patsy Murphy and her textile art was a hit this winter. Her art was on display in the library this December. The positive response led to an open house and Quilts of the Year exhibit in February.



Join us for our next artist reception on April 28th from 6-7:30P.M. Denis Johansen will be at KPL discussing his exhibit, *Family: A Wood Carving*.

Winter Gear Trading Tree

The library's winter gear trading tree returned this winter. Thank you to everyone who brought a warm hat, gloves, or scarf to decorate our "branches."



Gifts & Memorials

In memory of
Thelma Greenhalgh
JoAnn Lee
Ralph Porter
Will Prather
Irene C. Sandmeier
Lois Turnage

Gifts & Donations

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Bev Jones
Elaine Jordan
Pat Kading
Patricia McMillan
Cindy Nielsen
Dan and Holly O'Neal
Gary Rodgers
Eloise VanBaalen
Loretta Whitlatch

Book Club

March: *Why They Marched*
April: *Killers of the Flower Moon*

Book Club meets the second Monday of the month @ 1:30 PM.

Trivia Night

Trivia Night returned to the library with a new special traveling trophy for the winners!

Our next trivia night will be in May.



VITA Tax Prep

To help navigate tax season, Central College Accounting students provided free help with tax preparation in February and March. The library was pleased to offer this resource to our community and thanks Central College VITA for their assistance. Reminder, Tax Day is Monday, April 18.

