

Knoxville Public Library

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Library Hours
M-Th: 10a.m.- 8p.m.
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Winter 2024/Spring 2025

NOTICE (New Email): knoxlib@knoxvilleia.gov

Director Retirement

After serving as the Library Director at the Knoxville Public Library for fourteen years, Roslin Thompson has officially retired. Roslin dedicated herself tirelessly to both the library and the Knoxville community, and her presence will certainly be missed.



New Library Director

Join us in welcoming Ashley Miller as the new Library Director. Ashley will be graduating from the University of Iowa in May with her Master's of Library and Information Science. She has experience working in the library field as she has worked at both the Monroe Public Library as well as the Newton Public Library. Stop in to say hello to make her feel at home!



Thank you, Roslin!

Springtime Programs

We still have a few weeks left of Spring, with many events planned for everyone! Holly, our Youth Librarian, is always full of surprises, and we recently distributed 106 Peeps Slime Kits to the kids! (You never know what creative idea she will come up with next.) Following a successful winter and spring season of weekly Story Time & Crafts that saw great attendance, Holly is now gearing up for summer. On May 28th, the Summer Reading Program, titled 'Color Our World,' will kick off, featuring a variety of programs and events that will surely excite families about visiting the library! We will send out reminders for all readers to pick up a reading log. Be sure to check the website, calendar, and follow us on Facebook to stay informed about all the fun activities in store!

May Adult DIY:
Candy Wrapper Collage Birds
Tuesday, May 13th
6:00pm



To register:
Call or stop by the front desk!

Our Adult Services Librarian, Cari has planned various events and programs geared more for the adults in the community. On the calendar, you can find the Nature Writing Workshop scheduled for the end of April, along with Overdose Prevention & Narcan Training and Senior Living Bingo happening in May. Don't forget our monthly events like Trivia Night, Sit 'n' Stitch, the evening Book Club led by Cari, and the afternoon Book Club hosted by Ashley. In May, there will also be an Adult DIY evening with Kelsey before the summer break, which will return in the fall with even more creative crafts to enjoy.

Book Clubs

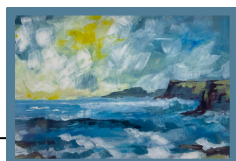
The afternoon Book Club meets on the second Monday of each month at 1:30 PM, and new members are always welcome. For May, the book being discussed is 'How to Age Disgracefully' by Claire Pooley.

There is also an evening book club called 'The Sequel.' This group meets every third Tuesday of the month at 6:00 PM, and for May, the selection is 'The Woman in the Library' by Sulari Gentill. Feel free to request either book or both at the front desk!



Artist Reception

The library's current artist in residence is Eleanne Harder from Carlisle, Iowa. You can admire her amazing artwork showcased in the display case beneath the window near the seating area, which is located by the magazines and the glass enclosure in the hallway. There will be a reception on Thursday, May 22nd to meet her and ask any questions you may have! We hope to see you there!



Past Events

The winter season was quite busy for the library, and spring break was no exception!

Kelsey organized her monthly Adult DIY nights, featuring projects like Winter Scene Dioramas, Newspaper Gift Bags, Tissue Paper Stained Glass creations, and Rock Photo Holders.

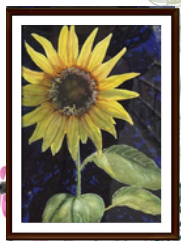
Miss Holly hosted numerous family-friendly events, including a Scavenger Hunt throughout the library, a day for Gingerbread House making, and a special visit from Marion County Conservation to showcase wildlife furs.

Additionally, there was a Movie & Popcorn Day featuring the film 'Lyle, Lyle, Crocodile,' plus to celebrate St. Patrick's Day, she held a special craft and story day!

The library also held two different Puzzle Competitions and offered a program focused on Gambling Prevention, as well as a program from the Iowa Health Human Services on Alzheimer's & Dementia.

The library enjoyed visits from authors Denise Williams, Mike Perry, and poetry by Caleb Rainey.

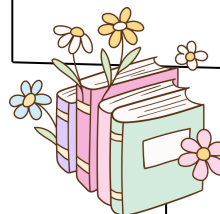
A couple of local artists, Dale O'Connor and Susan Baer, displayed their artwork throughout the winter, and the library hosted receptions to honor their talents.



Check our monthly calendar for more happenings at the library!

Artist Application

If you would like to showcase your artwork at the library, submit an application here or ask for the form at the front desk:



Gifts & Memorials Winter 2024/2025

In Memory of

Mary Anderson

K. Burgess

Shirley Kelderman

Eric Wilson

Gifts & Donations

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Ginger Harry

Ada Hoy

The Laughlin Family

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Iowa Kappa Nu

Torchbearers

McKay Insurance

Brenda McCombs

Cindy Nielsen

Clarabelle Ramirez

Kristi Thompson

Linda Wadle



National Library Week

In April, we celebrated National Library Week. We encourage everyone to always advocate for your local library; whatever draws you in is what makes the library important to our community. A special shout-out goes to our outreach librarians ~ Holly S., Connie, and Deb ~ for their dedication in reaching out to our patrons and ensuring that everyone has access to library resources.

