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# featured events



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## LIBRARY HOURS

Monday - Thursday  
9am - 9pm

Friday  
9am - 6pm

Saturday  
9am - 5pm

Sunday  
Closed  
May - September

## LIBRARY CLOSINGS

Monday, July 4<sup>th</sup>  
Independence Day

Monday, September 5<sup>th</sup>  
Labor Day

Closed Sundays  
Until September

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## Guitar Classes

Mondays and Thursdays at 6pm

Fourth floor gallery

Mon., July 18<sup>th</sup>

Thurs., July 21<sup>st</sup>

Mon., July 25<sup>th</sup>

Thurs., July 28<sup>th</sup>

Mon., August 1<sup>st</sup>

Thurs., August 4<sup>th</sup>



Join library staff members for fun, interactive lessons on playing the guitar. These free, open sessions will help build the foundation for basic guitar techniques, including proper positions, forming chords and playing songs. To pre-register for these classes, please call the library at 815.939.4564 or stop at the third floor reception desk.

Participants must bring their own guitar.

## Adult Summer Reading

Third floor

Fill out a book review on the library's third floor and enter to win one of three great baskets full of goodies that will let you have a magical summer!



This year's basket items are donated by:

Hidden Treasures Boutique, Bella Vida Imports, Le Chic Boutique, Kankakee Hilton Garden Inn, Kankakee Valley Symphony Orchestra, Love Bookstore, Alexis Fiesta, Reigning Cats and Dogs, Brookmont Bowling, the Kankakee Public Library and more! Look for the most current list on Facebook or in library displays.

## New Language Resource

Explore and learn new languages with the latest addition to our online databases, Mango Languages! Mango supports a plethora of languages in a clear, easy-to-use interface. Completely based on the web, you can use Mango anywhere you have an internet connection! Mango Languages is free to all Kankakee Public Library cardholders as well as anyone visiting the library!





## iPad Training

Choose a session that works best for your lifestyle!  
All sessions are held in the fourth floor auditorium.

### iPad at Home

**Thursday, June 23<sup>rd</sup> at 6:30pm**

Come to this hour long workshop to learn more about your iPad. You'll learn about basic functions, customizing settings, and multi-tasking for efficiency. You'll work with apps that came with your iPad, become comfortable with surfing the web, checking email, taking notes, listening to music, watching movies, taking photos, making video-calls, and working with your calendar and address book. We'll take a close look at iTunes and the App Store too. The iPad has revolutionized the way we access the Internet and consume multimedia content. Join us to take your iPad to the next level. Bring your iPad or iPad 2 with you to the workshop.

### iPad at Work

**Thursday, June 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7:45pm**

Building off the iPad at Home workshop learn how to integrate your iPad into a work environment, using apps in business - including compatibility with Microsoft Office and create a workflow for an efficient day at the office or on the road. We'll cover a list of third-party apps that are must-haves for business people. Learn power-user tips to become even more productive with your iPad. This workshop is one hour in length. Bring your iPad or iPad 2 with you to the workshop.



### Job-Building Workshop

**Thursday, July 14<sup>th</sup> at 3pm**

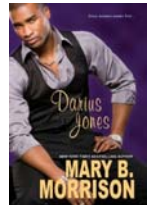
Building on ideas from the *Strategies for Success* handbook, this presentation will help prepare for the changing job market and the world of work. This workshop will cover topics such as resume writing, etiquette and staying ahead in the new job market.

## Soul Collections Book Discussions

Held in the third floor meeting room at 7pm on the third Thursday of each month.

### *Darius Jones*

Mary B. Morrison  
Thursday, June 23<sup>rd</sup>

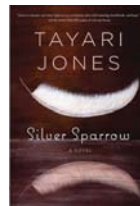


### *Lady Jasmine*

Victoria Christopher Murray  
Thursday, July 28<sup>th</sup>

### *Kiss Kiss Bang Bang*

Ashley JaQuavis  
Thursday, August 25<sup>th</sup>



### *Silver Sparrow*

Tayari Jones  
Thursday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>

## Genealogy Corner

### Potawatomi in the Kankakee Valley

**Saturday, October 1<sup>st</sup> at 1pm**

Third Floor Meeting Room

George Godfrey will give a presentation on the history of the Potawatomi settlement in the Kankakee River Valley. Mr. Godfrey is a Citizen Potawatomi and a descendent of Shabonna, a well-known Chief of the Potawatomi tribe.

*This program is sponsored by the Kankakee Valley Genealogical Society and is free and open to the public.*

### ProQuest African American Heritage

A new database has been added to our genealogical online resources. ProQuest African American Heritage is a new digital resource exclusively devoted to African American family history research. Patrons can access the database on the computers in the genealogy department in the Library or it can be accessed from home using your Kankakee Public Library card number.

# friends of the library



## Board of Directors

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## Friends Board Meetings

Friends of the Library Board meetings are held on the third Wednesday of the month at 5pm in the third floor meeting room.

**Wednesday, June 15<sup>th</sup>**

**Wednesday, July 20<sup>th</sup>**

**Wednesday, August 17<sup>th</sup>**

**Wednesday, September 21<sup>st</sup>**

## Message from Burma Mathews, President of the Friends of the Library:

**Burma Mathews, President  
Friends of the Kankakee Public Library**



## The Friends of the Kankakee Public Library Recommend...

Carol Bowman:

*Freedom* by Jonathan Franzen  
*The Master Butcher's Singing Club* by Louise Erdrich  
*The Art of Racing in the Rain* by Garth Stein

Chris Bohlen:

*The Fates Will Find Their Way* by Hannan Pittard  
*The Last Boy: Mickey Mantle and the End of America's Childhood* by Jane Leavy  
*Lord of Misrule* by Jaimy Gordon

Ann Keethers:

*La Lacuna* by Barbara Kingsolver

Evie Torchia:

*Shanghai Girls* by Lisa See  
*Parrot and Olivier in America* by Peter Carey

Burma Mathews:

*The Worst Hard Times* by Timothy Egan  
*Saturday* by Ian McEwan  
*Coast of Chicago* by Stuart Dybek  
*Ship Fever* by Andrea Barrett  
*On Chesil Beach* by Ian McEwan

Sarah Hertz:

*The Spirit Catches You and You Fall Down* by Ann Fadiman  
*Gang Leader for a Day* by Sudhir Venkatesh  
*Infidel* by Ayaan Hirsi Ali  
*Mountains Beyond Mountains* by Tracy Kidder  
*Ice Bound* by Dr. Jerri Nielsen  
*The March* by E.L. Doctorow  
*The Braid* by Helen Frost  
*Colors of the Mountains* by Da Chen  
*The Observations* by Jane Harris  
*The Bite of the Mango* by Mariatu Kamara with Susan McClelland  
*The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night Time* by Mark Haddon

Sharon Schiller:

*A Beautiful Place to Die* by Malla Nunn  
*Still Life* by Louise Penny  
*Sarah's Key* by Tatiana de Rosnay  
*The Alchemist* by Paulo Coelho  
*Angle of Repose* by Wallace Stegner

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## Membership

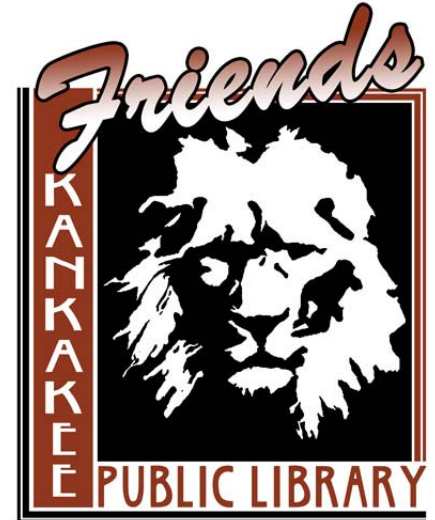
Everybody needs a friend, and that is why we're asking you to be ours. Become a friend of the Kankakee Public Library. Benefits of Friends membership include: opportunities to serve our library and city, to meet people with similar interests and to attend special Friends programs and events. Also, you will be entitled to vote on Friends issues. Help us expand opportunity in our community by helping the library expand and enhance its programs.

## The Purpose of the Friends of the Kankakee Public Library:

- Serve as hosts and hostesses for library and Friends events
- Present programs related to individuals' hobbies and interests
- Encourage gifts, endowments and bequests to the library
- Seek financial support for the work of the library
- Attend special Friends events
- Encourage use of the library's resources
- Support library legislation

## Membership Dues

Reader	\$15
Bookworm	\$25
Scholar	\$50
Ex Libris Society	\$100 & over



I wish to be a Friend as indicated below. My contribution is enclosed.

Renewing Member       New Member

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_  
(provide email if you wish to receive news on upcoming events)

Amount Enclosed \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks payable to: Friends of the Kankakee Public Library  
Return to the Circulation Desk or mail to:  
201 East Merchant Street  
Kankakee, IL 60901

Thank you for supporting the Friends! Your contribution is tax deductible.

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## Stain Glass Bottles

**Tuesday, June 14<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm**

Stain glass was an integral part of the Renaissance Period, depicting ways of life during that time. Here we get to explore some unique techniques to create our own stain glass look on a glass bottle. Materials provided. No experience necessary! Sign up today!



## Wax Painting

**Tuesday, June 28<sup>th</sup> 6:30pm**

Wax painting was an ancient painting method, used before acrylics and oils. The Old Masters used wax paints for some of history's most famous paintings and it outlasted them by hundreds of years. We will be learning a simple version of wax painting, melting the wax and painting with it. No experience necessary. Sign up today!

## Teens' Wednesday Movie Days

All films will be shown in the fourth floor computer lab.

*Ever After*

**June 22<sup>nd</sup> at 6pm**

*Reign of Fire*

**June 29<sup>th</sup> at 6pm**

*A Knights Tale*

**July 6<sup>th</sup> at 6pm**



## Mid-Day Drop-Ins

### Sugar Cube Medieval Castle Contest

**Thursday, June 23<sup>rd</sup> at 2:30pm in the Teen Zone**

Got architecture skills? Make a glistening castle out of sugar cubes! Prizes will be given for the best made castle. All castles will be on display in the teen zone after the competition.



## Renaissance Faire

**Saturday, July 2<sup>nd</sup> at 1pm in the fourth floor auditorium**

Join us for a look into the Renaissance times! Medieval games tournaments will be held, featuring jousting, Juggling and jesters! Think you know footwork? Try out to be a jester for the faire! We'll also have free food in olde style! Come in Renaissance costume if you'd like. Dress appropriately.

### Learn the Leather Works

Learn how to make own leatherwork accessories (awesome for guys and girls)! Leather was used to make shoes, clothing, and various other things. During the Renaissance specialized leather shops were common. Here you can make your very own peasant shoes (house slippers). You can also make wrist band in white or brown leather and decorate them with a wide variety of studs.

### Wax Works

Roll your own candle and take it home. Wax candles were used as a light source during the Renaissance. When it got dark, a candle was what you were using to light your way. Materials provided.



## Royal Tots Story and Craft Hour

**Every Monday in June at 10am**

Birth to Pre-K

Join us for an interactive story and craft time every Monday in June. No registration required.



## Kids Wednesday Movie Days

All films will be shown in the fourth floor auditorium.

*The Princess and the Frog*

**June 22<sup>nd</sup> at 10am**

*Tangled*

**June 29<sup>th</sup> at 10am**

TBA

**July 6<sup>th</sup> at 10am**



## Royal Boot Camp For Parents and Kids

**Mondays at 1pm and 6pm**

**Wednesdays at 1pm**

**June 6<sup>th</sup> - July 6<sup>th</sup>**

Join us for a dynamic workout class for both parents and children. Get fit with a certified staff member. Registration is required.



## Royal Creations Craft

**Tuesdays at 1pm and 6pm**

All ages

Create royal crafts for children of all ages. Registration is required.

## Uniquely Me!

**Wednesdays**

**at 1pm**

**June 15<sup>th</sup>, June**

**22<sup>nd</sup>, June 29<sup>th</sup>**

**and July 6<sup>th</sup>**

The Girl Scouts and Dove present a self-esteem program for girls grades K-8. Registration is required.



## Drop-In Crafts

**Every Saturday in June**

**10am - 2pm**

No registration is required.

## Medieval Times Hour

**Thursdays at 1pm or 6pm**

**June 9<sup>th</sup> - July 6<sup>th</sup>**

Enter our castle of dreams where we bring medieval times to life! All ages. Registration is required.



## Family Fun Day

**Saturday, July 9<sup>th</sup>**

**9am - 12pm in the library parking lot**

Celebrate the end of summer reading by attending our Family Fun Day, which will include games, food and fun for everyone. Children will also be able to spend their royal bucks at the Royal Bazaar. No registration is required.



An ancient proverb, later popularized by John F. Kennedy, states that, "Success has many fathers, but failure is an orphan." I am proud to say that there are no orphans at the Kankakee Public Library. In the last two months the KPL staff has pulled off two of our most successful programs ever, *Rock the Stacks* and the first ever *Kankakee Fantasy Con*. *Rock the Stacks* pulled in more than 300 people. *Fantasy Con* attracted an estimated 500 attendees. During the three years I've spent being director of the Kankakee Public Library I have discovered how much pent up creativity there is in nearly every person. This creativity is well represented among my staff as well as the volunteers who are working so hard on the 2011 Merchant Street Music Fest. I have found that the essential quality in innovative people is a willingness to risk the negative judgment of others, a willingness to risk a comfortable position, and most of all a willingness to risk exploring the unknown. A branch manager from the Chicago Public Library caught sight of one of our *Fantasy Con* fliers at a comic book shop. She drove down to Kankakee just to see how a public library could do a mini comic book and fantasy convention. I told her my secret: hire people who are young or think young, who aren't committed to a strict idea of what libraries are supposed to be, and then trust them.

**Stephen Bertrand**  
Kankakee Public Library Director

### Basic Computer Classes

Pre-registration is required for all classes. Please call the Adult Services Desk at 815.939.4564 to reserve a spot. Space is limited. All classes are held in the fourth floor computer lab, are free, and meet from 10am - 12pm.

#### Meet Your PC

Tuesday, July 19<sup>th</sup>

Basic information on mousing, Windows, computer terminology and different parts of the computer will be covered.

#### Mouse & Keyboard

Wednesday, July 20<sup>th</sup>

This hands-on class will include basic computer terminology and patrons will be shown proper keyboarding and mouse techniques.

#### Open Session

Thursday, July 21<sup>st</sup>

Each open session is a free-form open lab time in which students may practice their skills, study terminologies and ask the teacher questions.

#### Internet Basics

Tuesday, July 26<sup>th</sup>

This class covers web terminology, getting connected to the internet and basic searching.

#### Open Session

Wednesday, July 27<sup>th</sup>

Each open session is a free-form open lab time in which students may practice their skills, study terminologies and ask the teacher questions.

#### Email Basics

Thursday, July 28<sup>th</sup>

This class will cover how to send/receive email, how email works, email security, downloading and sending attachments. *It is necessary to have an email account prior to class time.*