

News from the Children’s Department



You may recognize the newest NCPL employee, Jamie Benya. Jamie previously worked at NCPL as Cromwell’s Teen & Adult program coordinator and has rejoined the team as a Children’s Programmer. Welcome back, Jamie!

Storytime Field Trip

May 16th at 10 a.m.
Hidden Diamonds Park
(200 Weber Rd. Albion, IN 46701)



All NCPL Albion, Avilla, and Cromwell storytime families are invited to gather at Hidden Diamonds with us. We will read a story together, provide a free picnic lunch around 11 a.m., and PLAY! The park has play areas, walking paths, and disc golf. (The splash pad will not be open yet.)

MAY 2023

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
	1	2 ALBION ›Storytime 9:15 & 10:30 am CROMWELL ›Book Club 6 pm	3 CROMWELL ›Storytime 10 am & 1 pm	4 ALBION ›Star Wars, All day AVILLA ›Storytime 10 am ›Craft Therapy 2 pm CROMWELL ›Star Wars, All day	5 ALBION ›Storytime 10 am	6
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14	15	16 ›Storytime Field Trip 10 am ALBION ›Craft Therapy, Part One 6 pm AVILLA ›Craft Therapy 5:30 CROMWELL ›Craft Therapy 2 pm & 6 pm	17 CROMWELL ›Storytime 10 am & 1 pm	18 ALBION ›Teen Program 4 pm	19 ALBION ›Storytime 10 am	20
21	22	23 ALBION ›Craft Therapy, Part Two 6 PM	24	25 ALBION ›Book Club 6:30 pm AVILLA ›Teen Program 4 pm CROMWELL ›Teen Program 4 pm	26 CROMWELL ›Giant Games Night 5-7 pm	27
28	29 Memorial Day CLOSED	30 SUMMER READING BEGINS TODAY!	31 ALBION ›Bookstock Party 11 am- 3 pm			



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SUMMER READING KICK-OFF PARTIES

Summer Reading begins May 30th and we are “kicking-off” with family-friendly celebrations at each NCPL branch! You’ll receive your Summer Reading Bookmark and all the information you will need to get started. Don’t forget to take a look at the display of Grand Prizes that you’ll be competing to win!



ALBION

813 E Main Street
Albion, IN 46701
260-636-7197
1-800-811-6861
Fax: 260-636-3321
M-Th 9am - 7pm
F 9am - 5pm
Sa 9am - 1pm



AVILLA

104 Ley Street
Avilla, IN 46710
260-897-3900
Fax: 260-994-0008
M, W, F 9am - 5pm
T & Th 9am - 6pm
Sa 9am - 1pm



CROMWELL

120 Jefferson Street
Cromwell, IN 46732
260-856-2119
Fax: 260-215-4014
T & Th 9am - 6pm
W & F 9am - 5pm

Wish to receive the NCPL newsletter by email?
[See our website!](#)

ALBION
WEDNESDAY, MAY 31
11:00 AM-3:00 PM

Join us at “Bookstock” for a hippie-themed party! Crafts, lawn games, a live-animal petting zoo, and free walking tacos will be available, along with opportunities to win a FREE book!
Peace, Love, & Reading!

AVILLA
FRIDAY, JUNE 2
5:00-7:30 PM

Eat your way around the world with cultural cuisine tastings. Explore multicultural arts and crafts, receive books, and make friends in our inflatable bounce-house and slide!

CROMWELL
FRIDAY, JUNE 2
6:00-8:00 PM

Enjoy a live-animal petting zoo, take selfies at the photo booth, and get creative with rock painting and bracelet making. Don’t miss out on book giveaways, and free snacks & drinks!



Mental Health Matters. Pick up a free wellness bag from NCPL Albion and follow us on social media to gather more resources related to mental health.

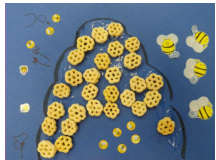
All NCPL branches will be closed Monday, May 29th in observance of Memorial Day.

CHILDREN & FAMILY PROGRAMS

ALBION

STORYTIME
| TUESDAYS, MAY 2 & 9 | 9:15 & 10:30 AM
| THURSDAY, MAY 11 | 6 PM
| FRIDAYS, MAY 5, 12, & 19 | 10 AM
We will continue the Firefly Award books this month, as well as a Mother's Day theme. Free Book Days are May 9, 11, and 12.

STAR WARS DAY SCAVENGER HUNT & RAFFLE
| THURSDAY, MAY 4 | 9 AM-7 PM
Complete a scavenger hunt for the chance to win a Star Wars prize! Watch Star Wars & Mandalorian episodes in the Teen Lounge from 3:30-7pm. Star Wars coloring pages, origami, and Pool Noodle Lightsaber crafts will be available, while supplies last.



TEEN & TWEEN PROGRAMS

ALBION
WEREWOLF NIGHT | THURSDAY, MAY 18 | 4 PM
Join us in the Teen Lounge to play the strategy card game *Ultimate Werewolf* and enjoy tasty ice cream sundaes! Grades 5-12. Register in person or online at myncpl.us.
SPREAD THE KINDNESS | ALL MONTH
Stop in any time to write a positive message on a sticky note. These notes will be randomly placed inside library books in order to "spread the kindness" to patrons who check out the books.
ASK ABOUT THESE PASSIVE CRAFTS IN THE TEEN LOUNGE!
Perler beads, diamond painting, & trinket boxes.

AVILLA

STORYTIME | THURSDAYS, MAY 4 & 11 | 10 AM
We will continue the Firefly Award books this month & vote for our favorite on May 11th, which is also Free Book Day!
ANNUAL ICE CREAM-SHAVING CREAM PARTY
| THURSDAY, MAY 11 | 4 PM
Celebrate the end of another fun year with ice cream & a shaving cream slide! Come dressed to get messy if you want to slide. Call 260-897-3900 or register online at myncpl.us.

| **Passive Craft** at **Avilla**
Honey-Comb Cereal Craft

AVILLA
SPONGE BALL | THURSDAY, MAY 25 | 4 PM
Join us to make sponge balls and play water games! Supplies and snacks will be provided. Ages 10+
Call 260-897-3900 or register online at myncpl.us.



CROMWELL
TEEN CRAFT & GAME NIGHT | THURSDAY, MAY 25 | 4-6 PM
Join us for a night of board games and air dry clay crafts. Call 260-856-2119 or register online at myncpl.us.

CROMWELL

STORYTIME | WEDNESDAYS, MAY 3, 10, & 17 | 10 AM & 1 PM
We will continue the Firefly Award books this month & vote for our favorite.
GIANT GAME NIGHT | FRIDAY, MAY 26 | 5-7 PM
Bring the whole family for a fun night of giant board games, popcorn, and snacks! Call 260-856-2119 or register online at myncpl.us.



STAR WARS DAY SCAVENGER HUNT & RAFFLE
| THURSDAY, MAY 4 | 9 AM-6 PM
Find out if you are a Sith Lord or a Jedi Master, complete a scavenger hunt and enter to win a Star Wars Encyclopedia, Uno, and 3D night light! We will have Star Wars Monopoly available to play, swag bags, and popcorn all day. May the 4th be with you!

ADULT PROGRAMS

ALBION
FRIENDS OF NCPL MEETING | THURSDAY, MAY 18 | 6 PM
The Friends group will meet on the couches near the Big Window at NCPL Albion.
CRAFT THERAPY: CLAY FLOWER FROGS, 2-PART CLASS
PART 1 | TUESDAY, MAY 16 | 6 PM / **PART 2** | TUESDAY, MAY 23 | 6 PM
Flower frogs are used to keep the stems of a flower arrangement in place inside its case. In class 1 we'll create clay flower frogs. In class 2 we will sand, paint, and finish the flower frogs. *Flower vase or oversized mug vase PLUS supplies for flower frogs included. Flowers not included. \$5 per patron. Ages 18+. Call 260-636-7197 to register.



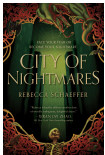
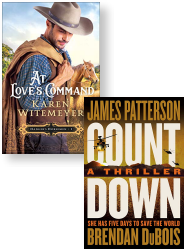
BOOK CLUB | THURSDAY, MAY 25 | 6:30 PM
We will meet to discuss the book *Searching for Sylvie Lee* by Jean Kwok.
BOOKS AT THE BAR | MONDAY, JUNE 5 | 6 PM
We will meet at El Mariachi Mexican Grill to discuss the book *Mexican Gothic* by Silvia Moreno-Garcia.

AVILLA
BOOK CLUB | THURSDAY, MAY 11 | NOON
We will meet to discuss the book *The Lost Apothecary* by Sarah Penner.
CRAFT THERAPY: STRING ART
| THURSDAY, MAY 4 | 2 PM or... | TUESDAY, MAY 16 | 5:30 PM
Wood, nails, and string will be provided. Please bring a hammer if you have one. Register at 260-897-3900 or online at myncpl.us.
CROMWELL
EVENING BOOK CLUB | TUESDAY, MAY 2 | 6 PM
We will meet to discuss the book *Before I Let Go* by Kennedy Ryan.
AFTERNOON BOOK CLUB | THURSDAY, MAY 11 | 1:30 PM
We will meet to discuss the book *I Must Betray You* by Ruta Sepetys.
CRAFT THERAPY: CABINET DOOR CHALKBOARD SIGNS
| TUESDAY, MAY 16 | 2 PM & 6 PM
Come join us for this fun and free craft. Call 260-856-2119 or register online at myncpl.us.



NEW MATERIALS

ADULT
Age of Vice
| Deepti Kapoor
At Love's Command
| Karen Witemeyer
Countdown
| James Patterson
Earth's the Right Place for Love
| Elizabeth Berg
A Harvest of Love
| Mara Perry
The House in the Pines
| Ana Reyes



TEEN
City of Nightmares
| Rebecca Schaeffer
The Davenports
| Krystal Marquis
Highly Suspicious and Unfairly Cute
| Talia Hibbert
Spice Road
| Maiya Ibrahim

KIDS
Doug the Pug and the Kindness Crew
| Leslie Mosier & Rob Chianelli
Hot Dog
| Doug Salati, Caldecott Medal Winner
How to Catch a Garden Fairy
| Alice Walstead & Andy Elkerton
Jessi's Secret Language
| Ann M. Martin, graphic novel version by Chan Chau
The Last Cuentista
| Donna Barba Higuera, Newbery Medal Winner
Gabby's Dollhouse: Purr-fect Family Visit
| Pamela Bobowicz



LIBRARY OF THINGS
| **DYMO Label Maker**
| **Home iSteady Mobile+Gimbal Stabilizer**
| **Mini Tripod**



MOVIES ON DVD
| **All Creatures Great and Small, Season 3**
| **DC League of Super Pets**
| **A Man Called Otto**
| **Miss Scarlet and the Duke, Season 3**
| **The Plane**
| **Pokemon the Movie: Secrets of the Jungle**
| **Puss in Boots: The Last Wish**
| **Strong Fathers, Strong Daughters**

VINYL RECORDS
Doo-wops & Hooligans
| Bruno Mars
The Essential Johnny Cash
| Johnny Cash
Fearless | Taylor Swift
Happier Than Ever | Billie Eilish
Scaled and Icy | Twenty-One Pilots
| **16 of Their Greatest Hits**
| Mamas and the Papas