Congratulations, Winners!

The top winners of the Kendallville Public Library's 26th Annual Kleiman Creative Writing Contest were announced during an Awards Ceremony at the Community Learning Center on Wednesday, April 17. Nearly 300 students entered books for the contest in the categories of Fiction, Non-Fiction, Graphic Novel, Chapter Books, Alphabet Books and Poetry. Books were judged, bound, and returned to the students during the awards ceremony.

The first place winners are listed below. They each received a $50 gift card and will have their books placed in the KPL collection for all to read!

4th Grade:
- Non-Fiction: Actual Sizes by Cylas Ramey (Wayne Center)
- Fiction: A Dog's Day by Audrey Vuong (Wayne Center)
- Alphabet Book: A is For Animals by Sophia Molargik (Wayne Center)
- Poetry: Acrostic Poems: Seasons by Elliot Field (Wayne Center)

5th Grade:
- Non-fiction: Jade by Iris Heinzerling (Avilla)
- Fiction: Pet Store Problem by Brylee Herron (Avilla)
- Alphabet Book: ABC Disney World! by Emery Oakes (Avilla)
- Poetry: Poetry by Abigail Smith (St. Johns)
- Chapter Book: The Journey of the Lost Pencil by Matilda Villarrent (Oak Farm)

6th Grade:
- Non-fiction: Good Morning Phenology by Kinley Becker (Oak Farm)
- Fiction: Dawn's Dairy by Naomi Gaff (St. Johns)
- Alphabet Book: ABC's of Birds by Lucy Gibson (St. Marys)
- Graphic Novel: Vleirchates Downfall! by Elaina Nivens (Oak Farm)
- Chapter Book: The Broken Woods by Cooper Lowe (Oak Farm)

David Kleiman, son of Isadore and Pearl Kleiman, who started the contest in his parents' honor, continues to be involved today, along with his own children and grandchildren. The library is grateful for their continued support. View a full list of winners on our website at www.kendallvillelibrary.org.

The Libraries will be closed Monday, May 27.
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**Preschool Programs**

**Elementary Programs**

**Teen Programs**

**Youth Programs (K-12)**

**Adult Programs**

**All Ages / Family Programs**

*KPL: Kendallville Public Library  LB: Limberlost Branch*

*The age categories of the programs below represent a majority of the ages for which the event is intended. For specific age ranges for each event, please refer to the more detailed information found elsewhere in this newsletter.*

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One State / One Story
Community Events

Fairy, Gnome and Troll Festival
Saturday, May 18
10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Main Street, Kendallville

THE YELLOW BRICK ROAD TO HEALTH
Tuesday, June 18 • 12:00 - 6:00 p.m.
at the Kendallville Public Library and Life and Family Services

Scan the QR Code to View Youth and Adult Events.

Kendallville Public Library
221 S. Park Avenue
Kendallville, IN 46755
260-343-2010 Fax: 260-343-2011

Limberlost Branch Library
164 Kelly St., PO Box 447
Rome City, IN 46784
260-854-2775 Fax: 260-854-3382

Hours:
Monday - Thursday: 9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Friday: 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Saturday: 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Closed Sunday
Make it with Madison - Macrame Keychain
Thursday, May 2 at 6:00 p.m. • KPL
Madison will teach participants how to make a macrame keychain.

Baking with Grace - Edible Cookie Dough
Friday, May 3 at 10:00 a.m. • KPL
Do you love to eat cookie dough? Sign up and learn to make a safe, edible version!

Barre with Brittany
Fridays, May 3, 10, 17, 24 & 31 at 11:00 a.m. • KPL
Tuesday, May 7, 14, 21 & 28 at 10:15 a.m. • LB
Move with Brittany, a certified Barre instructor, for a workout that focuses on low-impact, high intensity movements to improve strength, agility and flexibility for anyone.

BINGO
Fridays, May 3 & 17 at 1:30 p.m. • KPL
Fridays, May 10 & 31 at 1:30 p.m. • LB
Tuesday, May 21 at 9:00 a.m. • LB
Join us for an hour of fun and games!

Yoga with Brittany
Mondays, May 6, 13 & 20 at 5:30 p.m. • KPL
Tuesdays, May 7, 14, 21 & 28 at 11:00 a.m. • LB
Brittany, a certified yoga teacher, will teach an all-levels Flow Yoga class.

Breakfast Meal Prep - Blueberry Avocado Smoothies
Tuesday, May 7 at 9:00 a.m. • LB
Learn to prep a healthy blueberry avocado smoothie with Leah.

Book Club Salad - The Love of My Life
Tuesday, May 7 at 1:00 p.m. • LB
Meet to discuss The Love of My Life by Rosie Walsh and enjoy salad.

Make it with Madison - DIY Earrings
Tuesday, May 7 at 5:30 p.m. • KPL
Make your new favorite pair of earrings with Madison.

Writer’s Workshop
Thursday, May 9 at 5:30 pm. • KPL
Kiaya Martin will discuss and lead participants through her book writing journey.

Make it with Brooke - Sharpie Mug Bird Feeder
Thursday, May 16 at 5:30 p.m. • KPL
Make a unique bird feeder out of a coffee mug and decorate it with Sharpies.

Bixler Lake Walk
Mondays, May 20 at 10:00 a.m. • KPL
Join Brittany and Leah for a walk around Bixler. Meet at the adult desk to sign a waiver.

Euchre for Fun
Monday, May 20 at 1:00 p.m. • KPL
Bring a partner and play Euchre for fun.

Gene Stratton Porter Walk
Tuesdays, May 21 & 28 at 1:00 p.m. • LB
Join Brittany and Leah in the parking lot at Gene Stratton Porter to sign a waiver before we walk.

Kendallville or Limberlost Public Library T-shirt Making
Friday, May 24 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. • KPL & LB
Come to the Cortex before 4:30 with a t-shirt, sweatshirt, or bag and we will help you make a Library item. Please bring your own item.

Diamond Painting
Tuesday, May 28 at 9:00 a.m. • LB
Leah will show participants how to diamond paint.

One State / One Story
Community Events

Freedom Over Me at the One Room Schoolhouse with LouAnne Pillers
Wednesday, May 1 at 1:00 - 2:00 & 5:00 - 6:00 p.m. 1015 E Schoolhouse Rd. • All Ages
Participants will discuss the picture book Freedom Over Me and make an embroidered sack. In addition, each family will receive one copy of the book. An adult must be present.

SOUPer Book Club - All That She Carried
Wednesday, May 8 at 1:00 p.m. • KPL
18 and older only
Join Brittany and Leah to discuss All That She Carried by Tiya Miles and enjoy soup.

Biscuit Making
Wednesday, May 8 at 5:00 p.m. • CLC • All Ages
Carrie Black will teach participants how to make biscuits. An adult must be present.

Log Cabin Hot Pad
Wednesday, May 8 & 15 at 6:00 p.m. • CLC
18 and older only
Cheryl Coons will teach participants to make a log cabin hot pad in this two week class.

Mini Pecan Pies
Wednesday, May 22 at 5:30 p.m. • CLC
18 and older only
LouAnne Pillers will teach participants to make mini pecan pies.

Ashley’s Sack Class
Thursday, May 9 at 6:00 p.m. • CLC • All Ages
Joan Bovee will teach participants to make a sack like the one in All That She Carried.

Create a Coil Pot
Wednesday, June 5 & 12 at 6:00 p.m. • CLC
18 and older only
Learn to create a coil pot in this two-part class.

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**Adult Fiction:**
- *All's Fair in Love and War: A Novel* by Virginia Heath
- *America Del Norte* by Nicholaas Medina Mora
- *Beans, Bourbon & Blood* by William W and J.A. Johnstone
- *Better Left Untold* by Lila Louis
- *The Blast from the Past* by Lucy Score
- *Buster: A Dog* by George Pelecanos
- *Butcher* by Joyce Carol Oates
- *Camino Ghosts: A Novel* by John Grisham
- *Cinema Love: A Novel* by Jiaming Tang
- *Daughters of Shandong* by Eve. J Chung
- *Deadly Storms* by Christine Feehan
- *Death Behind Every Door* by Heather Graham
- *Disturbing The Dead: A Rip Through Time Novel* by Kelly Armstrong
- *The Dixon Rule* by Elle Kennedy
- *Ella* by Diane Richards
- *Everygreen Christmas* by Janet Dailey
- *Every Time We Say Goodbye* by Natalie Jenner
- *First Frost* by Craig Johnson
- *A Gamble at Sunset* by Vanessa Riley
- *The Goddess of Warsaw: A Novel* by Lisa Barr
- *The Guncle Abroad* by Steven Rowley
- *The Hazlittourne Ladies Motorcycle and Flying Club* by Helen Simonson
- *The Heist* by Jack B. Du Brul
- *The House that Horror Built* by Christina Henry
- *I Will Ruin You: A Novel* by Linwood Barclay
- *If Something Happens to Me: A Novel* by Alex Finlay
- *The Instruments of Darkness* by Jim Connolly
- *The Last Hope: A Novel* by Susan Elia MacNeal
- *Last House: Or The Age of Oil* by Jessica Shattuck
- *The Last Time She Saw Him: A Novel* by Kate White
- *Lies and Weddings: A Novel* by Kevin Kwan
- *Lights, Camera, Bones* by Carolyn Haines
- *Long Time Gone* by Charlie Donlea
- *Look on the Bright Side* by Kristan Higgins
- *The Lost Letters from Martha’s Vineyard* by Michael Callahan
- *Love, Lies, and Cherry Pie* by Jackie Lau
- *Lovers and Liars: A Novel* by Amanda Syre Ward
- *Mind Games A Novel* by Nora Roberts
- *Mistakes We Never Made* by Hannah Brown
- *A Northern Light in Provence* by Elizabeth Birkeland
- *One Last Shot* by Betty Cayouette
- *One Perfect Couple* by Ruth Ware
- *Oye* by Melissa Mogollon
- *The Paradise Problem* by Christina Lauren
- *The Passionate Tudor: A Novel of Queen Elizabeth I* by Alison Weir
- *The Proposal Plot: An Amish of Marigold by Kathleen Fuller
- *Red Side Story* by Japser Fforde
- *Red Sky Mourning* by Jack Carr
- *The Shadow of War: A Novel of the Cuban Missile Crisis* by Jeff Shaara
- *Shanghailanders* by Juli Min
- *Still Waters* by Matt Goldman
- *The Stolen Child* by Ann Hood
- *A Storybook Wedding* by K.J. Mcciche
- *Summers at The Saint* by Mary Kay Andrews
- *The Summer Swap* by Sarah Morgan
- *The Switch* by Lily Samson
- *The Takedown* by Lily Chu
- *Think Twice* by Harlan Coben
- *This Summer Will Be Different* by Carrie Fortune
- *Tom Clancy Act of Defiance* by Brian Andrews and Jeffrey Wilson
- *The 24th Hour* by James Patterson and Maxine Paetro
- *Westport* by James Comey
- *When Among Crows* by Veronica Roth
- *When We Were Silent* by Fiona McPhillips
- *You Like It Darker* by Stephen King
- *You May Now Kill the Bride: A Novel* by Kate Weston
- *You Should Be So Lucky* by Cat Sebastian
- *A Wedding in Lake Como* by Jennifer Probst

**Non-Fiction:**
- *The Birds that Audubon Missed: Discovery and Desire in the American Wilderness* by Kenn Kaufman
- *Every Tenant’s Legal Guide* by Janet Portman
- *The Full-Body Fat Fix: The Science-Based 7-Day Plan to Cool Inflammation, Heal Your Gut, and Build A Healthier, Leaner You* by Stephen Perrine
- *How To Get a Green Card* by Ilona Bray
- *Keep It Zesty: A Celebration Of Lebanese Flavors & Culture From Edy’s Grocer* by Edy Massih
- *Long Haul: Hunting The Highway Serial Killers* by Frank Figliuzzi
- *New Happy: Why The Pursuit of Happiness is Making You Miserable -- And the Real Tools You’ll Need to Find it* by Stephanie Harrison
- *Once Upon a Time: The Captivating Life of Carolyn Bessette-Kennedy* by Elizabeth Beller
- *You Never Know: A Memoir* by Tom Selleck

**New Material**

- *The 24th Hour* by Jack Carr
- *Clive Cussler the Heist* by Jack Du Brul
- *I Will Ruin You: A Novel* by Linwood Barclay
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May 2024
Youth and family events at the Kendallville Public Library and its Limberlost Branch

Story Time
Birth - Age 5
Thursday, May 2, 9 & 16 at 6:00 p.m. • KPL
Mondays, May 6 & 13 at 10:00 a.m. • KPL & LB
Tuesdays, May 7 & 14 at 10:00 & 11:30 a.m. • KPL
Join us for stories, crafts, activities and more! Be sure to register to make sure you have a saved spot. You can register for more than one story time session at a time.

3D Cactus Crafts
K - 12
Thursday, May 2 at 5:00 p.m. • LB
Make a fun cactus craft at our Limberlost Branch.

Festive Cactus
Grades K - 12
May 6 - 11 • All Branches
Stop by the libraries to create a festive paper cactus.

Home School Adventures - Nature Walk
Preschool - Grade 12
Monday, May 6 at 1:00 • KPL
Home schoolers of all ages are invited to join us for a hands-on learning activity. We will be going on a nature walk around Bixler Lake. If it rains we'll make bird feeders inside.

After School Explorers - S'mores Pop
Grades K - 5
Tuesday, May 7 at 4:00 p.m. • KPL
Kids in grades K-5 are invited to create a yummy marshmallow pop with chocolate and graham crackers.

DIY Sensory Bottle
K - 12
Thursday, May 9 at 5:00 p.m. • LB
DIY sensory bottles are wonderful for soothing, come in and make your very own!

Paper Tulips
Grades K - 12
May 13 - 18 • All Branches
Stop by the libraries to create some paper tulips.

After School Explorers - Cork Sail Boats
Grades K - 5
Tuesday, May 14 at 4:00 p.m. • KPL
Kids in grades K-5 are invited to create their own miniature sail boat using corks.

Walking Rainbow Experiment
K - 12
Thursday, May 16 at 5:00 p.m. • LB
DIY sensory bottles are wonderful for soothing, come in and make your very own!

Rocking Snails
Grades K - 12
May 20 - 25 • All Branches
Stop by the libraries to create a rocking snail.

After School Explorers - Games and Popcorn
Grades K - 5
Tuesday, May 21 at 4:00 p.m. • KPL
Kids in grades K-5 are invited to join us for afterschool games. We'll also make some popcorn to snack on.

Super Soaker Sponge Ball
Grades K - 12
May 28 - June 1 • All Branches
Stop by the libraries to create a super soaker sponge ball.

After School Explorers - End of May Party
Grades K - 5
Tuesday, May 28 at 4:00 p.m. • KPL
Kids in grades K-5 are invited to enjoy some snacks, games, and chalk to celebrate the end of spring.

Flower Bookmark
Grades K - 12
May 30 at 5:00 p.m. • LB
Make a flower bookmark with us.

Teen Programs

Cricut Club
Tuesday, May 7 at 5:00 p.m. • KPL
Design your own Cricut creations. We have a variety of supplies for you to use and choose from.

Dungeons and Dragons
Tuesday, May 14 at 5:00 p.m. • KPL
Play D&D with us. This is open to teens in grades 6-12 and is limited to seven players.

Cheesy Quesadilla
Tuesday, May 21 at 5:00 p.m. • KPL
Teens in grades 6-12 are invited to learn how to make a cheesy quesadilla to enjoy.

Novel Recipes - Creative Mode Munchies
Thursday, May 23 at 5:00 p.m. • KPL
Discover tasty recipes inspired by Minecraft for teens to enjoy. Cook up a storm with fun and creative dishes from the Minecraft universe.

End of May Party
Tuesday, May 28 at 5:00 p.m. • KPL
Teens are invited to enjoy snacks, games, and chalk to celebrate the end of spring.

Berry Delicious Treats - Deviled Strawberries
Thursday, May 30 at 5:00 p.m. • KPL
Get excited with these fun strawberry snacks! Perfect for kids of all ages. Join us to make this easy and yummy snack!
**Family Events in May**

Cortex - Yarn Art  
**May 1 - 10 • All Branches**  
Craft in the Cortex by creating a piece of art with yarn while supplies last.

Family in Motion  
**Thursday, May 2 at 12:00 p.m. • KPL**  
Join Brittany and Leah for a fun hour of movement, physical activities and games. One adult must be present per group. All ages welcome.

Doggy Tales  
**Tuesday, May 9 at 4:00 p.m. • LB  
Tuesday, May 14 at 4:00 p.m. • KPL**  
Kids of all ages are invited to practice their reading skills with Sunny Boy, a therapy dog.

Cortex - Button Art  
**May 13 - 31 • All Branches**  
Craft in the Cortex by creating art with buttons while supplies last.

Thank Goodness It’s Thursday  
**Thursday, May 23 at 5:00 p.m. • LB**  
Learn to make mini cinnamon rolls and while they bake, create beautiful pipe cleaner flowers.

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**Congratulations Adam Melha & Zoey Larkin for reading 500 Books Before Kindergarten!**

**One State / One Story Community Events**

**Freedom Over Me at the One Room Schoolhouse**  
**Friday, May 1 at 1:00 - 2:00 & 5:00 - 6:00 p.m.  
1015 E Schoolhouse Rd. • All Ages**  
Participants will discuss the picture book *Freedom Over Me* and make an embroidered sack. In addition, each family will receive one copy of the book. An adult must be present.

**Biscuit Making**  
**Wednesday, May 8 at 5:00 p.m. • CLC • All Ages**  
Carrie Black will teach participants how to make biscuits. An adult must be present.

**Ashley’s Sack Class**  
**Thursday, May 9 at 6:00 p.m. • CLC • All Ages**  
Joan Bovee will teach participants to make a sack like the one in *All That She Carried*.

**Speaker Barb Morrow**  
**Wednesday, May 29 at 6:00 p.m. • CLC • All Ages**  
Barb Morrow will discuss her book *A Good Night for Freedom* as a culminating event for the Indiana Humanities Program.

Registration is required for all events. Register by visiting our website at www.kendallvillelibrary.org. If you have questions please call KPL at 343-2010, LB at 854-2775 or email mgraber@kendallvillelibrary.org.