

# Notes from the Reference Department

## DID YOU KNOW...?

The Library has over 200 digital magazines!

Our Zinio e-magazine collection provides access to over 200 digital titles on a variety of topics, including news, entertainment, parenting, health, and sports. There are dozens of magazines for hobbyists, for interests ranging from arts and crafts to backpacking to photography. For access, simply set up your account and begin building your own e-magazine library on your computer or mobile device. A valid Bullitt County Public library card is required.



### Some of our most popular e-magazine titles include:

- Aviation Week & Space Technology
- Backpacker
- Clean Eating
- Do It Yourself
- ELLE Decor
- Every Day with Rachel Ray
- Family Handyman
- Food Network Magazine
- Gluten-Free Living
- Good Housekeeping
- Horse & Rider
- House Beautiful
- Kiplinger's Personal Finance
- Living the Country Life
- Maxim
- Mental Floss
- OK! Magazine
- Prevention
- Reader's Digest
- Redbook
- Rolling Stone
- Runner's World
- Star Magazine
- Successful Farming
- US Weekly

### Need help getting started?

Contact the Reference Department to schedule a one-on-one tour of Zinio and all it has to offer!



## Holiday Gift Ideas

Throughout the month of December, we are providing gift recommendations for all of the bookish people on your list! Just tell us a few things (age, hobbies, etc.) about the person you are buying for, and we'll suggest a book (or two!) to give them.

Just e-mail your information to us at [reference@bcplib.org](mailto:reference@bcplib.org) with the subject line HOLIDAY GIFT IDEAS!



## Group Computer Classes

The Reference Department now offers group computer classes on a variety of topics in the Computer Lab at Hillview Library. To kick us off, Katherine is giving a whirlwind tour of Craigslist. Join us to learn about the many uses of the site as well as some of the potential pitfalls for unwary users. Register online or call the Reference Department at 543-7675 ext. 4.

### Explore Craigslist

Thursday, December 4, 5:00–6:00 PM  
Ages 18 and up

More classes will be offered beginning in January. If you have suggestions for classes you would like to take—anything from selling on eBay to online job searching—please let us know at [reference@bcplib.org](mailto:reference@bcplib.org).



# THE LIBRARY BULLETIN

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Explore. Learn. Enjoy. — [www.bcplib.org](http://www.bcplib.org)

## Assistant Director to Retire



After 28 3/4 years with Bullitt County Public Library, Assistant Director & Bookkeeper Judy Jackson is retiring. We are sad to see her go, but grateful for her many years of dedicated service to BCPL patrons and employees.

Judy's job has required that she "wear many hats." Not only does she aid in making decisions for the library which directly affect patron experiences, but she also oversees the accounting procedures for all library departments as well as serving in the role of human resources coordinator for the library's ever-growing number of employees.

Through Judy's dedication and leadership, BCPL has continued to flourish over the years, helping to make Bullitt County Public Library a welcome community entity continually striving to meet the needs of Bullitt County.

Judy will be missed, but we wish her well with her plans for the future and hope that she enjoys her retirement to its fullest measure.

### An Interview with Judy:

#### **When did you start working for the library system?**

I started as a part-time clerk on March 17, 1986. Back then, I covered books, processed books, typed and filed catalog cards (sometimes as many as eight per book), helped patrons, and anything else that needed to be done.

#### **How did you become the assistant director and bookkeeper?**

Dalarna Breetz was the director when I started. She left in 1987 to take a position with KDLA. Janice Walter was hired as director in February 1987, and in June, the bookkeeper position opened. I applied and became full time. This was before we had computers, so I hand wrote all the payments going out, and all the payroll checks with their stubs. Of course we didn't have near the number of employees we have now. I was made acting director in 1989, when Janice left. When Randy Matlow was hired in April of that year, the library board made me the assistant director.

#### **Tell us about some of the biggest changes you have seen since you started with the library.**

The biggest, of course, is the most obvious—computers. The second would have to be our buildings. Lebanon Junction started in a very small room next to the old hotel until the new library was constructed in 2010. The Mt. Washington library began in an old bookmobile that had all flat tires, and moved twice before it arrived in its current location. Mt. Washington was our first major construction project. I had to learn to deal with contractors, architects, and interior designers and still keep everything running smoothly at the other branches. Then we expanded and renovated Ridgway. We doubled the building in size, and I had all these things to do again. Without so much as a breather, we moved on to Lebanon Junction and built a beautiful new building. So it was back to color selections. During the open house for the new building, Greg White, Randy, and myself designed the Hillview Library on a napkin! My only

regret is that I won't be as involved with the construction of the newest library at Mt. Washington.

#### **Tell us about some of the strange occurrences you've experienced.**

Well, we had a train derail, and had to be evacuated. We had a flood, where the flood water was lapping at our back door. Then there are always the "strange" happenings at Ridgway where we quietly say, "Dr. Ridgway is at it again!"

#### **What will you miss the most? The least?**

I will miss the people I work with the most. My library family is one of the most wonderful bunch of people. We see each other through births, deaths, emergencies, and sickness. The year I started, my father passed away on Christmas Eve night, and my husband had a massive heart attack four days later. My library family rallied around to help me through this difficult time. I think the thing I will miss least will be those early morning calls after an overnight snow, asking *Are we going to open today?* Or, those 2 a.m. calls from the alarm company telling me the alarm has gone off, and could I come check it out? Or, maybe it will be having to plan everything I do around "Payday" Mondays.

#### **What is the first and most important thing you plan to do after retirement?**

Sleep past 5 a.m. everyday. Go fishing! My husband farms part time, so he is pretty busy in the spring and fall. I'm usually busy with W-2s, budget planning, annual reports, and preparing for the auditor, so finding the time to fish has always been hard. Hopefully, we can go fishing whenever the mood strikes.

#### **Any words of wisdom you would care to pass on?**

Always remember that our library family is a team. Not one person alone makes the library successful—it takes the whole team. Everyone who works here has a very important job to do, and without cooperation and dedication we can't be successful in serving our patrons.

## Ask the Reference Desk

- Drop in during scheduled reference hours
- Call us at 543-7675 ext. 4
- E-mail us at [reference@bcplib.org](mailto:reference@bcplib.org)
- Submit a **Reference Request Form**
- Contact us online with **Live Chat**

### BCPL Reference Hours by Location

#### Ridgway Memorial Library

Sun., 1:00–5:00 PM  
Mon. & Wed., 10:00 AM–7:00 PM  
Tue. & Thu., 10:00 AM–7:00 PM  
Fri. & Sat., 9:00 AM–5:00 PM

#### Lebanon Junction Library

Wed., 3:00–7:00 PM

#### Hillview Library

Tue. & Thu., 11:00 AM–7:00 PM  
Fri., 9:00 AM–5:00 PM\*

#### Mt. Washington Library

Tue. & Thu., 11:00 AM–7:00 PM  
Sat., 9:00 AM–5:00 PM\*

\*Hours temporarily closed due to new staff training.

# RIDGWAY MEMORIAL

Main Library in Shepherdsville, Phone 543-7675



## Programs

### TODDLER STORYTIME (Ages Birth–2)

Every Thursday 9:30–10:00 AM *Registration Required*  
Join the fun as we sing, read stories, and play games while teaching children early literacy and social skills.

### STORYHOUR (Ages 3–5)

Every Thursday 10:30–11:30 AM *Registration Required*  
We use books, songs, and simple crafts to reinforce the importance of early literacy skill development and socialization.

### CRAFTING STATIONS (Ages 3–12)

Be on the lookout for pop-up programs for children throughout the month of December. Ms. Allison and Ms. Cheryl will be bringing a variety of crafts to make and take home. Keep an eye out for the fun—you never know where these two might pop up!

### HOLIDAY CRAFTING AFTERNOON (Ages 11 and Up)

Thursday, Dec. 4th 1:00–3:30 PM *Drop-in Event*  
Create several festive crafts including an origami gift box, a hand-crafted gift card, and an orange and clove pomander.

### ANIME GAMING NIGHT (Middle and High School Ages)

First Thursday, Dec. 4th 4:00–7:30 PM *Drop-in Event*  
Bring your friends to our monthly social night for tweens and teens.

### A VISIT WITH ST. NICHOLAS (All Ages)

Saturday, Dec. 6th 10:00–11:30 AM *Registration Required*  
Come kick off the holidays with festive activities and a photo with Santa himself! Listen to stories read by the North Pole Librarian, explore make-and-take craft stations, and enjoy free refreshments. Plus, get your keepsake photo and free gifts and prizes from the Library!

### TEEN MOVIE NIGHT: GUARDIANS OF THE GALAXY (Ages 13–19)

Wednesday, Dec. 17th 5:00–7:15 PM *Registration Encouraged*  
The Marvel Comics spacefaring superhero team of interstellar misfits must work together to save the universe from the powerful Ronan.

### FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT: POLAR EXPRESS (Rated G)

Thursday, Dec. 18th 6:00–7:45 PM *Registration Required*  
**Please note the special holiday show date.** On Christmas Eve, a doubting boy boards a magical train that's headed to Santa's home at the North Pole.

# HILLVIEW

Branch Library, Phone 957-5759



## Programs

### TODDLER STORYTIME (Ages Birth–2)

Every Wednesday 9:30–10:00 AM *Registration Required*  
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### STORYHOUR (Ages 3–5)

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### HOLIDAY CRAFTING AFTERNOON (Ages 11 and Up)

Tuesday, Dec. 2nd 1:00–3:30 PM *Drop-in Event*  
Create several festive crafts including an origami gift box, a hand-crafted gift card, and an orange and clove pomander.

### PIZZA GAMING NIGHT (Middle and High School Ages)

First Tuesday, Dec. 2nd 4:00–7:30 PM *Drop-in Event*  
Bring your friends to our monthly social night for tweens and teens.

### EXPLORE CRAIGSLIST (Ages 18 and Up)

Thursday, Dec. 4th 5:00–6:00 PM *Registration Required*  
For details, see Group Computer Classes on the back.

### FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT: POLAR EXPRESS (Rated G)

Tuesday, Dec. 9th 6:00–7:45 PM *Registration Required*  
On Christmas Eve, a doubting boy boards a magical train that's headed to Santa's home at the North Pole.

### GRAHAM CRACKER HOUSE WORKSHOP (Ages 9–14)

Thursday, Dec. 11th 6:00–7:30 PM *Registration Required*  
Make a traditional holiday novelty using an assortment of candies.

### TEEN MOVIE NIGHT: GUARDIANS OF THE GALAXY (Ages 13–19)

Tuesday, Dec. 16th 5:00–7:15 PM *Registration Encouraged*  
The Marvel Comics spacefaring superhero team of interstellar misfits must work together to save the universe from the powerful Ronan.

### FASCINATING NONFICTION BOOK CLUB (Ages 18 and Up)

**Due to the holiday schedule, we will not meet in December.**  
We discuss books on the fourth Wednesday of the month. January's selection coming soon! *Registration required.*

# LEBANON JUNCTION

Branch Library, Phone 833-4648



## Programs

### TODDLER STORYTIME (Ages Birth–2)

Every Tuesday 9:30–10:00 AM *Registration Required*  
Join the fun as we sing, read stories, and play games while teaching children early literacy and social skills.

### STORYHOUR (Ages 3–5)

Every Tuesday 10:30–11:30 AM *Registration Required*  
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### CRAFTING STATIONS (Ages 3–12)

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### WII BOWLING (Ages 18 and Up)

Every Thursday 10:00–11:30 AM *Drop-in Event*  
Join the fun in the meeting room as we chat and laugh while bowling on the Wii game console.

### HOLIDAY CRAFTING AFTERNOON (Ages 11 and Up)

Tuesday, Dec. 9th 1:00–3:30 PM *Drop-in Event*  
Create several festive crafts including an origami gift box, a hand-crafted gift card, and an orange and clove pomander.

### BROWN BAG BOOK CLUB (Ages 18 and Up)

Thursday, Dec. 11th 12:00–1:30 PM *Registration Required*  
Bring your lunch and discuss *Walking on Water* by Richard Paul Evans. To reserve a copy call 543-7675 ext. 2551.

### FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT: POLAR EXPRESS (Rated G)

Thursday, Dec. 11th 6:00–7:45 PM *Registration Required*  
On Christmas Eve, a doubting boy boards a magical train that's headed to Santa's home at the North Pole.

# MT. WASHINGTON

Branch Library, Phone 538-7560



## Programs

### TODDLER STORYTIME (Ages Birth–2)

Every Friday 9:30–10:00 AM *Registration Required*  
Join the fun as we sing, read stories, and play games while teaching children early literacy and social skills.

### STORYHOUR (Ages 3–5)

Every Friday 10:30–11:30 AM *Registration Required*  
We use books, songs, and simple crafts to reinforce the importance of early literacy skill development and socialization.

### CRAFTING STATIONS (Ages 3–12)

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### HOLIDAY CRAFTING AFTERNOON (Ages 13 and Up)

Wednesday, Dec. 10th 1:00–3:30 PM *Drop-in Event*  
Create several festive crafts including an origami gift box, a hand-crafted gift card, and an orange and clove pomander.

### FOLDED HOLIDAY GREETING CARDS (Ages 16 and Up)

Thursday, Dec. 11th 6:00–7:30 PM *Registration Required*  
Join local crafter Dena Sutton to create a unique holiday card using the iris folding technique.



## WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW:

To register for a program, speak with a library staff member, visit [www.bcplib.org](http://www.bcplib.org), or call the Outreach Department at 543-7675 ext. 5.

A parent or guardian must remain on library premises with children ages 15 and under.

When Bullitt County Public Schools are closed, Toddler Storytime and Storyhour are canceled.

All programs are free unless otherwise noted.

# Hello from the Tech Department



Judy, 32 Years @ BCPL

Hello, I'm Judy, the Supervisor of the Technical Services Department located in the Dorothea Stottman Annex in Hillview. I began working for the Library in 1976 when searching the card catalog involved pulling out drawers full of actual cards! Did you know? Jada, Anna, Carolyn, and I order and process nearly everything offered at BCPL's four locations.



Jada, 8 Years @ BCPL

Now, of course, ordering is done through computers and the internet. However, processing new items is still a hands-on activity. If you borrow an item from BCPL, it almost certainly came through our hands.



Anna, 7 Years @ BCPL

And nearly every day, we receive shipments of new books, audiobooks, DVDs, Blu-rays, and many other items we know our communities not only enjoy but also rely upon for all sorts of informational needs. Is there something you would like to see the Library purchase?

Ask a library staff member for a purchase request form or use our online form at [www.bcplib.org](http://www.bcplib.org) under Services. We consider all requests, for BCPL takes pride in offering patrons a constantly updated collection of popular titles!



Carolyn, 10 Years @ BCPL