

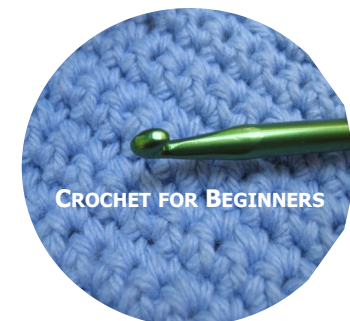
STORYHOUR



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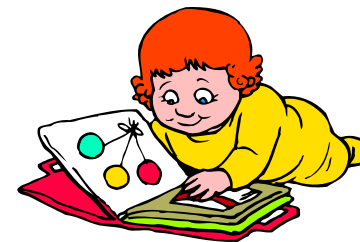
FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT

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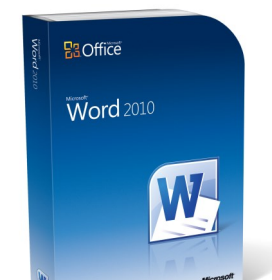
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AFTER 24 YEARS, BCPL DIRECTOR BIDS FAREWELL

I really LOVE Bullitt County Public Libraries, and that is why it is very hard to say goodbye. But after 24 years I am taking my leave as the Director of the Bullitt County Public Libraries.

I am proud of all the ways that the Bullitt County Public Library makes life better for the residents of our county. We have wonderful staff members who are always trying hard to make your visit to the library a pleasant experience. Our libraries have lots of wonderful resources. We have some of the nicest library buildings where you can spend time in comfortable surroundings while participating in library programs, surfing the web, working with our helpful reference staff, or using conference and meeting rooms. We have programs for all ages from the very youngest to seniors.



Randy Matlow assists patrons at Ridgway Memorial Library in
Shepherdsville prior to its renovation.

When I look back at all the changes that have occurred since I started working here, I am amazed! Twenty-four years ago, we had not a single computer in the library. You looked books up on card catalog cards. You signed out books with paper slips that were carefully filed in boxes. If you needed to find a specific piece of information you often had to spend hours pouring through books and magazines to find it. There of course was no internet. The library had limited hours of operation. One of our branches was only open two and a half days a week. We had very few staff, so the program offerings were limited. Our library buildings were small and cramped. The libraries had very little seating and had the 1960s look. The buildings had block walls and tile floors with accent colors of orange and green. The buildings were not a place where you would want to spend a leisurely afternoon with your family.

We have undergone many changes over the years, and mostly for the better. Our staff employees are still friendly and helpful, but now we offer so much more for everyone. I know that the improvements which I helped guide along with the Board of Trustees and the other employees of the library will continue without me. As I leave we are still moving ahead with new exciting projects. There are exciting changes coming to the Hillview

Library and the Mount Washington Library. I look forward to watching these future improvements to the Bullitt County Public Library system.

I am sad to be leaving, but I am starting a new chapter of my life. I am originally from Ohio. My family lives there. I have a son who has been struggling with some medical issues and a mother who is getting up in years. I wanted to be closer to where they live. I also had an opportunity to buy a farmstead in Ohio that has land, an 1898 farmhouse, a guesthouse, a large barn, and several outbuildings. It is one mile from the Delaware State Park and Dam and the house is near the scenic Olentangy River. A library director's position opened up in an Ohio community and I was offered the position at the Marysville Public Library.

I feel good that I am leaving the Bullitt County Public Libraries in good shape, and I know that the next Director will continue moving the library system forward to continue meeting the needs of the people living in Bullitt County.

I want to especially thank the volunteer members of the Library Board of Trustees who have dedicated many hours of their time making Bullitt County a better place to live. I would also like to thank Judy Jackson, my Assistant Director and Bookkeeper who kept me on track in many ways. She is very dedicated and makes sure that all funds are accounted for and that we get the best price for all our purchases large and small. We have a wonderful Technical Services Department that orders and processes all the materials and enters the records in the computer system; a great programming department that puts on programs for all ages from the youngest to the oldest; a reference/information staff that can answer just about any question and can help you with your computers, handheld devices, and even your phones; a great custodial maintenance staff that keep the buildings looking brand new and deliver materials between the branches so you can pick them up without having to drive across the county; a computer assistant who keeps the public computers functioning and the software up to date; and supervisors who keep all the branches and the main library running smoothly. I thank all the staff who work hard to meet your needs every day when you call, text, e-mail, or walk through the door.



My heart will always be here with you and I will be watching your progress from my farmstead in Ohio.

Randy Matlow
Library Director 1989–2013
Bullitt County Public Libraries

A NOTE OF THANKS

The staff of the Bullitt County Public Library would like to thank Randy for his years of dedicated service to his community, but also for his dedication to the employees who have been lucky enough to call him our "boss."

Randy has always endeavored to make our work day an enjoyable experience. He has supported us educationally, creatively,

and without fail. Not many people can say that they thoroughly enjoy their jobs, but to work in an environment like that which is found at BCPL is truly a treasure.

We wish Randy all the best in his newest adventure and wish him and his family many happy years to come. Your presence will be greatly missed, for you have not only the vision but the heart to carry your vision through.
~BCPL Staff

RIDGWAY MEMORIAL

MAIN LIBRARY IN SHEPHERDSVILLE
502-543-7675

CHILDREN

Toddler Storytime (Ages Birth–2)

Every Thursday 9:30–10:15 AM

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Storyhour (Ages 3–5)

Every Thursday 10:30–11:30 AM

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Grandparents' Breakfast (All Ages)

Saturday, September 14th 9:30–11:00 AM

Space is limited. Registration Required.

Grandchildren and their grandparents are invited to join us for crafts, stories, memories, and a yummy breakfast at this FREE special event.

Welcome Fall (Ages 5–12)

Tuesday, September 17th 6:00–7:30 PM

Come celebrate the beginning of a new season with us! We'll make a fall tree wall hanging, construct a simple feeder to help our feathered friends get ready for winter, read stories about the season, and play a fall-inspired game.

TEENS & ADULTS

Piano Lessons (Ages 10 and Up)

All lesson timeslots for September and October have been filled.

The library is excited to offer free individual beginning piano lessons to tween, teen, and adult patrons. For more information and to register your interest, please visit www.bcplib.org/pianolessons. You will be contacted on a first come, first served basis when lessons are next offered.

Chiisaicon Planning Committee (High School Ages and Up)

Wednesday, September 11th 5:00–7:30 PM

Help us plan our popular anime, manga, cosplay, and gaming convention. This looks great on a college application. For more info, visit chiisaicon.com.

Anime Manga JK-Drama Group (Middle School Ages and Up)

Thursday, September 5th and 19th 5:00–7:30 PM

Join other anime enthusiasts to discover new Asian pop culture offerings. We watch anime favorites, explore Japanese and South Korean drama, and discuss manga. Plus, we serve snacks and drinks!

Family Movie Night

Justice League: The Flashpoint Paradox (Rated PG-13)

Thursday, September 26th 6:00–7:20 PM

After accidentally creating an alternate timeline, the Flash enlists the help of Batman to set things back to normal. Meanwhile, the Earth is ravaged by a war between Aquaman's Atlantis and Wonder Woman's Amazons. Shown in high definition. Snacks will be served.

HILLVIEW

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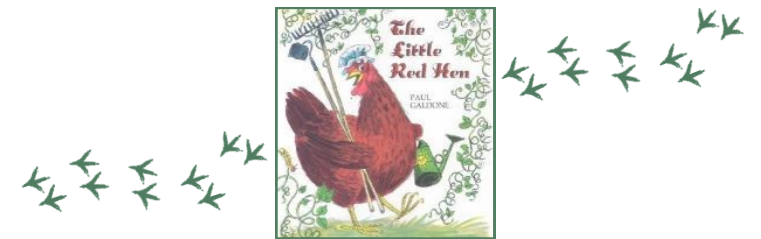
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The Little Red Hen (Ages 2-7)

Thursday, September 19th 6:00–7:30 PM

Come celebrate this beloved children's classic with us through stories, rhymes, songs, and crafts!



TEENS & ADULTS

Open Computer Help Lab

Every Tuesday 12:00–5:00 PM with Patrick from Outreach

Every Thursday 11:00 AM–8:00 PM with Marianne from Reference*

Drop in to the lab to work independently or get help using a computer, navigating the internet, creating documents, printing, setting up your e-reader, using a tablet or smartphone, resizing and saving photos, accessing your library account, and more. Space is limited.

**The lab temporarily closes for Basic Computer Skills Classes.*

Basic Computer Skills Classes *Sign up with the Reference Desk.*

Thursday, Sept. 5th 4:00–5:30 PM Get Started! Typing and Mousing

Thursday, Sept. 12th 6:00–7:30 PM Get Connected! Basics and More

Thursday, Sept. 19th 6:00–7:30 PM Next Up! Word Processing

[Call Reference](#) at 543-7675 ext. 4 for more info and to sign up.

Basic Computer Software Classes (Ages 18 and Up)

Tuesday, Sept. 3rd 5:00–5:50 PM Microsoft Word

Tuesday, Sept. 3rd 6:00–6:50 PM Microsoft Excel

Tuesday, Sept. 3rd 7:00–7:50 PM Microsoft Publisher

Registration and Basic Computer Skills Required

Get tips, shortcuts, and hands-on experience with popular software in this new series offered the first Tuesday of each month.

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Tuesday, September 10th 6:00–7:00 PM

Ever wonder how potato chips are made? Come find out, plus join our chip-tasting event to discover your favorite flavor.

Magic Tree House (Ages 6 and Up)

Monday, September 16th 6:00–7:30 PM

Jack and Annie fans can join us for a scavenger hunt and other games. Search for clues from the *Magic Tree House* books, find various bits of treasure, and have a ton of fun in the process!

TEENS & ADULTS

Crochet for Beginners (Ages 13 and Up)

Monday, September 9th, 16th, 23rd, and 30th 6:00–7:45 PM

Registration Required

Learn the basics of crochet, from buying materials to pattern reading. All materials provided. This is a four-part class.

Wii Bowling (Ages 18 and Up)

Every Thursday 10:00–11:30 AM

Join the fun as we bowl, chat, and laugh!

Brown Bag Book Club (Ages 18 and Up)

Thursday, September 12th 12:30–2:00 PM

A monthly book group for adults. Bring your lunch and discuss *The Call of the Wild* by Jack London. Contact Gayle to reserve your copy at 543-7675 ext. 2551.

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Spoon Rain Chain (Ages 16 and Up)

Thursday September 19th 6:00–7:30 PM

Space is limited. Registration is required.

Join us as we create rustic spoon rain chains that will beautify your outdoor space. This program was so popular last April, we are repeating it. All materials will be provided.

A Potholder Party (Ages 13 and Up)

Thursday, September 26th 6:00–7:30 PM

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Parent/Teen Book Club (Ages 13 and Up)

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Tuesday, September 24th 6:00–7:30 PM

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Get out of the kitchen and make time to join us as we craft useful items from potholders! All materials will be provided.

ALL PROGRAMS ARE FREE!

Please register as space is limited for some programs. A parent or guardian must remain on library premises with children ages 15 and under. For more information or to register, visit the Programs page at www.bcplib.org, call 543-7675 ext. 5, or speak with a library staff member.

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