



Knox Public Library NEWSLETTER



Monday	9:30 a - 8:00 p
Tuesday	9:30 a - 8:00 p
Wednesday	Closed
Thursday	9:30 a - 8:00 p
Friday	9:30 a - 4:00 p
Saturday	9:30 a - 4:30 p
Sunday	Closed

September 2026

Come see the Monarchs!

Our Monarch caterpillars have arrived, and they are eating, growing, and forming chrysalises! Stop in any time we are open to see them and keep track of their life cycles. Keep reading to learn more about our tagging event on September 12!

Memorials

--In memory of Saralee
Bowser by the Keystone Class
of '58

--In memory of Carol
Berberich Durkin by the
Keystone Class of '58

--In memory of Mary Crate
Girts by the Keystone Class of
'58

--In memory of Faye L. LaVan
by Judy DeHart

--In memory of Kenneth
Seamon by the Keystone
Class of '58

If you would like to place a
book in memory or in honor of
a friend or loved one, please
call or stop at the library.



Join the Knox Public Library and Gene Krasicki, Environmental Education Specialist with the Clear Creek Forest District for

Monarch Butterfly Tagging



Saturday, September 12, 2026 at 11:00am
at the Knox Public Library
305 North Main Street
Knox, PA 16232

Children and their parents are invited to become citizen scientists as we place tracking tags on butterflies. Weather permitting, the butterflies will be released at the time of the event. Come learn about the migration patterns of the Monarch butterfly, the conservation efforts that are currently underway, and how your family can support those efforts right in your own backyard!

Please pre-register before September 4, 2026 by calling, emailing, or stopping at the library.



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*The Knox Civic Club and Knox Public Library invite
our community to join us for the Dedication of*

THE DOROTHY FLICK MEMORIAL READING NOOK



SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 26 2026
1:00 PM

Knox Community Park
(Peanut Park)
Cemetery Street Knox, PA 16232

There is no registration required. The Knox Civic Club will be providing light refreshments and Miss Jolene will read a story.

Come join in this celebration honoring Mrs. Dorothy Flick, longtime friend to all who knew her, wife, mother, dedicated teacher, civic club member, and lifelong literacy advocate.

Contact the Knox Public Library with any questions.



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**Join Knox Public Library and Alex Huffman,
Historical Interpreter for Drake Well Museum and Park for**

HISTORY OF THE EDENBURG / KNOX AREA OIL BOOM

Come learn about the history of our area, from the beginnings of the Pennsylvania Oil Boom, all the way to the disastrous fires that nearly erased the town of Edensburg. Discover oil boom towns, many of which have disappeared, such as Jefferson City, Forest Home, Mongtown, Beaver City, Elk City, Slambang, Pickwick, Triangle, and Cram Town.

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2026
AT 11:00 AM**

**Please pre-register before October 10, 2026 by
calling, emailing, or stopping at the library.**

Since May 2026, Alex Huffman has served as the David L. Weber Research Intern at Drake Well Museum, researching the Clarion County Oil Boom with a particular focus on the boom towns of the Edensburg area. Alex has been researching the Pennsylvania Oil Boom for several years, and in 2024 he was an intern with the Friends of Drake Well. In 2025, he returned as a historical interpreter for the site and continues in this role today.



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Join us for

Yoga

at 6:00 pm on Thursdays in
September and October.
(No class October 15th)
\$10/class

You will need to register for EACH class individually. Registration will be on a first-come, first-served basis. Here's how it will work: each week (starting on Thursday after Yoga), please visit our social media pages (Facebook or Instagram) for the link to sign up for the next week's yoga session. We are only able to have 10 participants each week. Once the form has 10 submissions, it will close, and no more submissions will be accepted.

If something comes up after you register and you need to cancel, please let the library know as soon as possible so we can open your spot up to someone else. If you are not one of the first 10 to register (the form is closed when you try), please contact the library by phone or email to be added to a waitlist.



Raffle Tickets!



Congratulations to Alder B., winner of our Dinosaur raffle! For our next raffle, there will be TWO chances to win a “Blind Date With a Book” basket. Each basket contains a book (the title is a surprise!), stickers, a candle, lotion, a mug, tea, honey, a highlighter, note tags, a bookmark, and EITHER socks OR a book holder. Tickets are \$1 each and can be purchased at the circulation desk anytime we are open. The drawing will be on October 31st—just as you’re getting ready to settle in for some cozy fall reading!

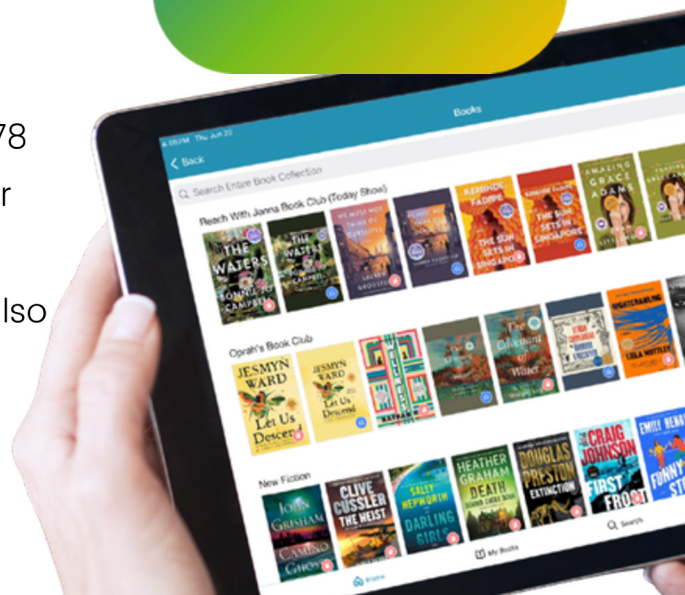
New Resource: CloudLibrary

We have a new resource for digital audiobooks! Browse nearly 750 audiobooks spanning every mood and genre—from unforgettable classics and edge-of-your-seat thrillers to inspiring biographies, sweeping romances, fantasy adventures, westerns, and beyond.

Find it on POWER Library:

<https://powerlibrary.org/e-resources/?all=y&ID=PL2378>

Click on the CloudLibrary icon and follow the links under Option 1 to use (or get) a POWER Library ecard. Once you get an ecard, you will need to get a PIN. You can also download the CloudLibrary mobile app.



HAPPY LABOR DAY

The Library will be closed for
Labor Day from Saturday,
September 5 through Monday,
September 7. We will reopen on
Tuesday, September 8 at 9:30 am.

Read
WITH
YOUR LIBRARIAN

2026: THE BOOKS THAT SHAPE US



We want to hear your thoughts!

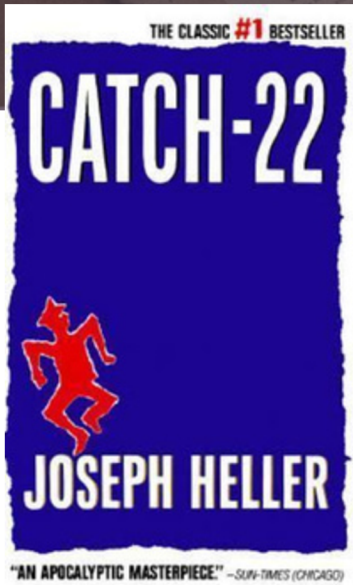


Complete our feedback survey
at oilcreek.org/rwyl and
choose earbuds or a reading
light as a thank-you!
Each respondent also get an
entry to one of our raffle
baskets. Get extra tickets by
submitting short reviews of the
books!



Scan the QR code or visit
oilcreek.org/rwyl for the survey link

Read WITH YOUR LIBRARIAN



This year's Read with Your Librarian theme "The Books that Shape Us" honors America's 250th birthday by highlighting books influential in shaping America. Titles were chosen from the list featured in the Library of Congress' 2012 "Books that Shaped America" exhibit. September's selection is *Catch 22* by Joseph Heller. Read with Your Librarian is an initiative of the Oil Creek Library District. Learn more and sign up for the Read With Your Librarian newsletter here: <https://oilcreek.org/rwyl/>



Check out one of our NEW Interactive Movie Kits, provided by the Oil Creek Library District. The experience includes props and snacks for up to six people. Ask at the circulation desk to learn more!

Library of Things



School is back in session, and the Library of Things has learning aids for students of all ages and types. From Math Slam for kinesthetic learners ages 5 and up, to a graphing calculator for Trigonometry class and SATs, to a Scanmarker that will scan text directly to a computer for research papers—all of these items can be signed out at no cost!

Browse the Library of Things at <https://knoxpubliclibrary.org/library-of-things/> or stop in the library to learn more. Any Clarion County library patron with an adult (18+) library card in good standing can borrow items for two weeks. First-time borrowers will need to sign a waiver.

This collection is made possible by a grant from the McElhattan Foundation.

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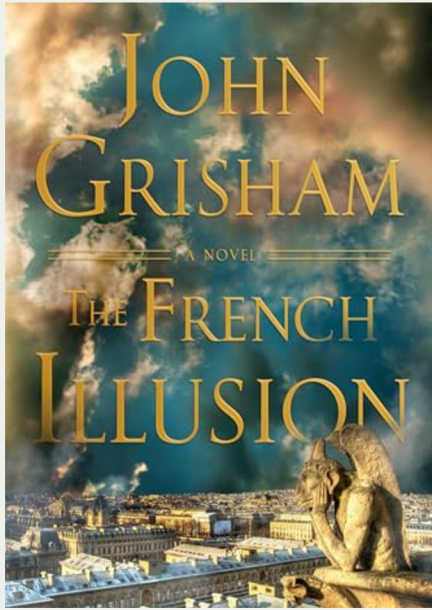


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Or scan the QR code:



New This Month



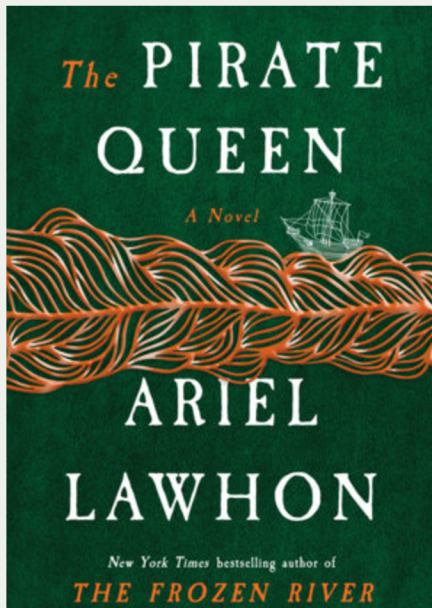
Release Date:

September 29, 2026

“After Paul and Chelsea Tanner’s fairytale wedding, their future is full of promise. But their honeymoon to Paris takes a dark, shocking turn when they are kidnapped while on a day trip to the French countryside. Who would target them, and why? It turns out this is not the first crime of its kind. The search for clues soon stretches across borders, with the FBI, CIA, and French Intelligence trying to work together to put the pieces of the puzzle together. Struggling to find answers, a young lawyer is recruited to be the bait in an elaborate CIA operation.

Propulsive and surprising, *The French Illusion* is an unmistakable Grisham thrill ride—gripping and impossible to put down.”

--Provided by the Publisher



Release Date:

September 8, 2026

“Grace O’Malley was born to be a sea captain. But despite her natural skill on the water, Grace learns early that her dreams of a life at the helm are not compatible with the expectations of her noble family. As the only daughter of a powerful chieftain, her role is to secure a strong alliance and bear children. But when she’s sent to foster with a nearby clan, Grace falls for a clever and open-minded second son—a man she cannot have.

Married off against her will to a brutal warrior, Grace performs her duty, all the while gathering followers loyal to her, and consolidating her husband’s power, only to be ousted from his lands. But this betrayal offers Grace the opportunity to return to sea, finally leading clan O’Malley’s mighty fleet. Just as she finds true independence, Queen Elizabeth’s incursions into Ireland grow bolder and Grace must fight to defend her land, her ships, and the people she loves most against the cruel and power-hungry English deputies, who will stop at nothing to check her influence.”

--Provided by the Publisher

The Battle of the Books is Almost Here!



Our libraries are hosting a Battle of the Books! The theme for this year is “Page to Screen”. Start submitting brackets September 4, and voting begins September 28.

Participate by submitting a bracket and voting – either online or at your library. As a bonus, participants will have the chance to win one of our movie-night themed baskets!

We vote with our hearts here! Use whatever criteria you want to cast your vote – even if you vote for a book you’ve never read. Some books also have multiple adaptations – vote on whichever adaptation you want, because the book is the real star.

The round of 32 has been set! Download your fillable bracket and check out the competitors at oilcreek.org/book-battle/.

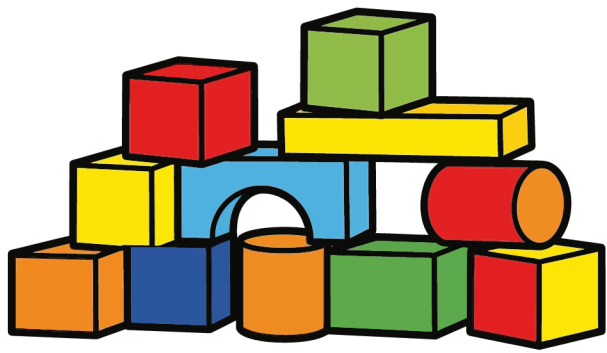
Would you like to donate specific items that we need at the library? Check out our Amazon wish list: <https://tinyurl.com/47t383ah>

Just browse the list and add an item to your cart. Then continue shopping or proceed to checkout. To complete your order, follow the on-screen instructions. If you’d like, you’ll have an opportunity to enter a gift message. Thanks to all our patrons for your support in the past and in years to come!



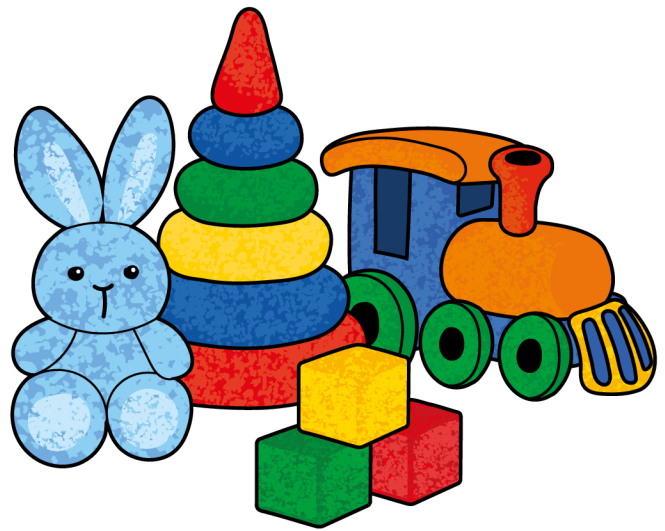
**Our regular Saturday
hours return this
month. On Saturdays,
we will be open from
9:30 am until 4:30 pm.**





Children are invited to join us for the monthly Block Party on Saturday, September 12 at 10:30 am. Come have fun with Building Blocks, Magnatiles, Legos, and more! No registration required.

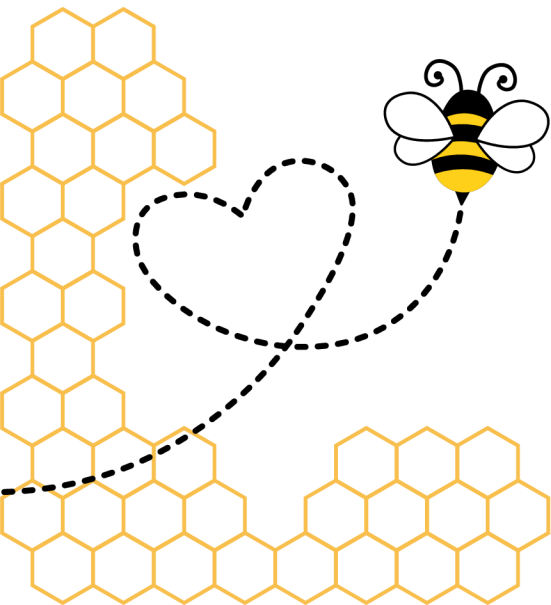
Don't miss Tuesday Play Day, every Tuesday at 10:30 am. All children and caregivers are welcome. We will provide pre-school appropriate toys and games for unstructured play. No registration required.



Storytime with Miss Jolene

Storytime is back! Join us on the first Tuesday of each month at 10:30 am for stories, fun, and special guests.

Steve's Bees will joins us as we celebrate pollinators on September 1. On October 6, look for Smokey Bear as we learn about fire prevention. Children of all ages are welcome and no registration is required.



Early Literacy Corner

You can promote early literacy through easy, everyday activities. Here are some ideas! It's more than reading.

Math--When making a turn while driving, use landmarks to tell your child which direction you're going. "We're turning left toward the park."

Play--Be a chef with your child! Use leaves, acorns, and pinecones as ingredients to create pretend dishes. Give each one a fun name.

Science--Have your child test the wind! Toss a leaf into the air and observe how the wind moves it. Which direction does it travel?

Songs--Sing the ABCs together. Then sing "Twinkle Twinkle Little Star." Ask your child to pay attention to how the tunes are similar.

Rhymes--Point to an object and ask your child to name that object and a word that rhymes with it.

Sounds--Talk about the sounds of the season: crunching leaves, chattering squirrels, gusting wind, and more.

<https://ideas.demco.com/blog/early-literacy-activity-calendar-september-2026/>



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