## A Year in the Life of Kewanee Public Library

**2018 - 2019**

### People Served
- 52,572 People Visited the Library
- 5,499 People Have Library Cards
- 23,391 People Used Computers and WiFi
- 5,171 People Attended Programs

### Checkouts
- 37,871 Books
- 26,259 Movies
- 3,552 Audiobooks or Music
- 2,106 Magazines
- 6,590 Digital Checkouts

### Savings in Dollars
- $757,420 in Books
- $236,331 in Movies
- $35,342 in Audiobooks and CD
- $14,742 in Magazines
- $65,900 in Digital Content

### Collection Size
- 73,967 Books
- 186 Magazines
- 6,223 Audiobooks and Music
- 9,122 DVDs
- 37,956 eBooks

Values calculated using the American Library Association’s Library Value Calculator at http://www.ala.org/advocacy/library-value-calculator
ADULT BOOK CLUB

With two separate meeting times, you’re sure to be able to make it to our adult book club. We meet at 2 and 7 pm on the third Monday of every month. Both meeting times are held in the Kewanee Library Community Room.

Don’t be intimidated if you’re new to the book club world; we’re not a formal group of literary critics.

Most of us just like to read a good book.

Stop by the Information Services desk in the lower level to get this month’s book selection.

January 20th - The Storied Life of A.J. Fikry by Gabrielle Zevin

“This novel has humor, romance, a touch of suspense, but most of all love—love of books and bookish people and, really, all of humanity in its imperfect glory.” - Eowyn Ivey, author of The Snow Child

February 17th - Dust Bowl Girls by Lydia Reeder

"[A] surprising underdog story...They demonstrated the perseverance necessary to overcome the political and financial difficulties facing women in sports...Engaging storytelling." - Publishers Weekly

March 16th - The Boston Girl by Anita Diamant

“Anita Diamant’s The Boston Girl introduces[a] woman of substance...[who] relates how growing up in a time of gender inequality, strict family expectations, and a widening generation gap of social values made her a successful person.” - Boston Herald

Get prepared and learn how to save a few dollars along the way.

Stop by Wednesday, January 8, at 10:30 am to get tips on how to prepare for storm season and save on energy straight from the source. Ameren educator, Kenny Blum, will be here to present his program "Storm Preparedness & Energy Savings."

Are you ready to push the limits?

Stop in and register for the next round of our Pushing the Limits program. Blending science and reading, each group is facilitated by our science partners, both Blackhawk College professors. We have two book discussions planned, March 4 and March 18, both Wednesdays at 6 pm. If you're interested, please stop in or call us at 852-4505 to register.

2020 marks 100 years since the 19th Amendment was ratified forbidding states to deny the right to vote on the basis of sex.

Celebrate with us, Thursday, April 23, at 6:30 pm as musician Phil Passen presents his program "March of the Women: Music for the 100th Anniversary of Suffrage."
We here at the Kewanee Public Library would like to wish you a happy holiday season. We hope it is filled with lots of family, friends, and more than a few good books. To give us some time to celebrate with our families, we will be closed December 23rd, 24th, 25th, as well as December 31st and January 1st. We will reopen on January 2nd at 9 am. Thank you for sharing such an amazing year with us and we hope to see you in the next!

- The Staff of Kewanee Public Library District

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**UPCOMING CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMING**

Fifth through eighth graders are invited to attend our Oreo Taste Test on Monday, December 30 at 3:30 pm.

Winter Break Make and Take Crafts will be available, while supplies last, on December 26, 27, 28, 30, and January 2, 3, and 4.

Children of all ages are invited to join us for the Martin Luther King Jr Birthday Celebration. Join us on Monday, January 20, 2020 for a fun craft. Presented by Americorps and the Kewanee Public Library.

**Coming soon to the Children's Room:**

- **Creativity at the Carnegie** held every third Thursday of the month from 5 - 7 pm.

- Every second Tuesday of the month we show a recently released movie. Stop in and watch on our big screen while snacking on some popcorn courtesy of Wanee Theater.

- Recipe Round-Up will be taking a break for the unpredictability of an Illinois Winter. Don't forget to come back in April when we start back up!

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**"WHO WAS" BOOK CLUB**

We didn't want to leave our younger crowd out of the book club circle, so we started our new monthly Who Was Book Club. Who Was is a popular children's non-fiction book series. Each month, we'll focus on a different person from the series to discuss. We'll also have various activities to go along with the book selection.

Register on at the Youth Services desk on the upper level to get this month's book selection.

January 21st - Who Was Marie Curie?
A NOTE FROM YOUR FRIENDS...

In order to manage our membership renewals efficiently, we are mailing this issue of the newsletter to everyone.

Please take time to renew your Friends membership. (You may mail your membership or stop in the library and renew at the main desk.)

With your support and the great work of the staff, our library is able to offer much to the community.

Thank you for your continued support of Friends.

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