From the Director’s Desk...

As you may have heard, I have accepted a library director position across the Indiana border at the Crawfordsville District Public Library. This move will allow me to return to my home state and bring me somewhat closer to family and friends.

Everyone has been so welcoming that saying goodbye to Danville Public Library and the community of Danville is bittersweet. I have enjoyed and learned so much from my time here in Danville, and I’m very proud of the accomplishments the board, the staff, the foundation, and I were able to complete. I will especially miss the friends I have made here, particularly in the theatre community and through my work with Arts in the Park and DACC’s Reader’s Route.

My last full day at work at DPL will be June 28th, though I will work some hours each week part-time for a while, depending on what’s needed, until Assistant Director Jennifer Hess returns from her family leave in August or September and takes up duties as the interim director.

Theresa M. Tyner, Library Director

New Website

Check out our new website at https://danvillepubliclibrary.org!

The new website has been in the works for a couple months and is bright, very accessible, and mobile friendly.

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Each year, Illinois public libraries submit a report to the Illinois State Library about the previous fiscal year. Here are DPL highlights from the 2018-2019 fiscal year:

- **3,172** Hours open for service annually
- **105,269** Library visits
- **909** Programs, events, fairs, classes offered
- **14,620** Attendance at programs
- **3,761** Number of folks with active library cards
- **206** Magazine and newspaper subscriptions
- **140,706** Physical items in library collections
- **5,739** Reference transactions
- **110,865** Checkouts of physical items
- **732,852** Downloadable items in library collections (hoopla and MyMediaMall)
- **9,114** Checkouts of downloadable items
- **47** Public use computers
- **16,786** Use of public computers
- **402** Public use of meeting rooms
- **2,064** Use of study rooms

### Take a Bow! It's Showtime! Summer Reading Finale Party

**Saturday, August 3 1:00 p.m.**

Kids and their families are invited to the summer reading finale party on Saturday, August 3, at 1:00 p.m. for food and reading awards.

At 2:00 p.m., Mad Science of St. Louis will present an exciting show for summer readers! Kids will “get thrilled by science while experiencing the world of sound and much more! Kids get tuned-in to learning with exciting demonstrations and experiments including a surprisingly loud Dinosaur-in-a-Can, the glowing Electric Pickle, and kid-created Thunder Storm!”

Other programs this summer include the Music and Magic Encore Show on Monday, July 15, at 4:00 p.m. Mr. Stephens returns with his “crazy fun music for crazy fun kids” along with Magician Greg Loschen.
**Staff Picks for Summer**

**All the Birds in the Sky**
by Charlie Jane Anders

As a little girl, Patricia talks to birds. In middle school, convinced she is a witch, she attempts magic with little success. Laurence, as a little boy, ran away from home once to watch a rocket lift off. In middle school, he builds an AI in his bedroom closet. As the only two weirdos in school, they become best friends. However, there is a prophecy that they will be on opposing sides in a war of magic vs. science, and this war will lead to the destruction of the whole planet.

I absolutely loved this book. It’s dark and beautiful, and left me wondering until the end how things would shake out. *All the Birds in the Sky* has a similar vibe to it as *The Night Circus* by Erin Morgenstern (another book I love), in that these two people’s lives are completely intertwined whether they want it that way or not, and they are destined for a tragic fate. If you enjoy science fiction or magic realism or especially a world combining the two, then you will enjoy this book.

—Jessica Augustson, Outreach Services

**Fergal and the Bad Temper**
by Robert Starling

I just read *Fergal and the Bad Temper* by Robert Starling. It’s a really cute book for kids about alternate ways of controlling their tempers other than lashing out. Fergal is a dragon that breathes fire whenever he is angry. He finds out that his Mom and his friends each have their own mechanism for dealing with anger.

—Patty Pope, Youth Services

**The Adventures of Tom Sawyer**
by Mark Twain

I reread *Tom Sawyer*. On a trip through Hannibal, Missouri, I saw signs like “Tom Sawyer’s fence” and “Becky Thatcher’s House” and I had no idea what Hannibal had to do with Tom Sawyer. I decided to reread *Tom Sawyer* because I hadn’t read it since childhood and that was more than 50 years ago! No wonder I didn’t remember!

I went to our Library’s Children’s Department and asked a friendly staff person to help me find the book and some background books about Hannibal and the author Mark Twain. I went out of there with about a dozen books.

I had a very enjoyable time rereading *Tom Sawyer* and *Huck Finn*. It is different reading a children’s book with an adult mindset. You see the events and characters with new eyes and understanding. Learning about the connections between Hannibal, MO and Mark Twain and delving into the author’s life was quite enlightening also.

So pick up a children’s book for your summer reading! It might lead you to read more of them! And it’s a great conversation starter.

—Melody Williams, Adult Services

**The Secret Adversary**
By Agatha Christie

*The Secret Adversary* introduces two typical young adults trying to make their way in post-war Europe, down on their luck, but determined and resourceful.

Tommy Beresford and Prudence “Tuppence” Cowley knew each other in childhood, but grew apart. After a chance meeting in their twenties, they join forces to earn money investigating a strange coincidence involving a woman named Jane Finn, entering a world of political intrigue.

The dialogue and descriptive passages plunge the reader into post-war England both gritty and dazzling as the pair matches wits with their unseen, brilliant criminal adversary in this classic Agatha Christie mystery.

—Theresa Tyner, Administration
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**WHAT WE FUND**

Funds from the Danville Library Foundation benefit every library user. They allow the library to adopt new technology and respond to the evolving needs of patrons. They also extend and strengthen the library’s role within the community. While property taxes pay for the library’s basic operating expenses such as salaries, building upkeep, and materials, Foundation support supplements that funding in areas where the library deems it will have the most significant impact.

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“Live Your Legacy Fund”

Please consider including the Danville Library Foundation in your estate planning.

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**2nd Annual A Night of Enchantment Fall Gala**

**September 14, 2019**

**Title Sponsor Julius W. Hegeler II Foundation**

A storybook-inspired five-course feast.
Each dish paired with a wine &
live entertainment.

*Invitations coming soon!*

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**Who’s Who**

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**Now Open!**

**Little Nook Bookstore**

Book donations received since May 1, 2018 — 25,667 books
Summer has finally arrived! Are you as happy as we are about the warmer weather and longer daylight? We hope you will get some time to relax, enjoy the outdoors and spend some extra time with family. We hope you will also squeeze in a little time to stop by the Library and Little Nook Bookstore for some inspiration, too.

Donor & Volunteer Appreciation & Reception

On April 30, 2019, I had the privilege of honoring our 2018 donors, volunteers, Julius W. Hegeler II, McLaughlin's Asset Management, Howard Rutan, and Gill Garman. It was a great night!

Congratulations to Volunteer of the Year 2018 Fred Underhill.

When you give to the Library, you are giving more than money! You are touching lives—and they are touching lives and so on, potentially for generations to come! I would like to thank all of our donors for believing that the work we do is important and for trusting in us to do it well.

Sabrina Henriques—Executive Director

Give A Gift That Will Benefit Your Entire Community

Every day, hundreds of Danville area residents benefit from the work of the Danville Library Foundation. Gifts to the Library Foundation are tax-deductible and can be designated for specific purposes as well as the general fund. All gifts are greatly appreciated and deeply treasured. You can also make your gift online! Please designate my gift of $__________ for:

- General Fund (greatest need)
- Youth Services
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Upcoming Library Events

July 4: Library CLOSED for Independence Day.

July 15: Music and Magic Encore, 4:00 p.m., ages 8-18.


August 3: Adult summer reading drawing.

August 3: Take a Bow! It’s Showtime at Your Library Finale Party at 1:00 p.m.

August 3: Mad Science at 2:00 p.m.

September 2: Library CLOSED for Labor Day.

September 23: Low Vision Fair, 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Your virtual adventures begin at DanvillePublicLibrary.org