

UPCOMING EVENTS

JAN. 28 at 4:30 PM
SUING FOR FREEDOM
Chautauqua & Friends' Annual Meeting

FEB. 18 at 7 PM
LIVING AS AN AMERICAN IN IRAN - Matthew Pierce

MARCH 10 at 7 PM
Courtroom Drama Film Series Begins

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Series Opens March 10th

COURTROOM DRAMA HIGHLIGHTS SPRING FILM SERIES

Many of the very best Hollywood movies contain courtroom sequences that are crucial to the story being told. Previous film series have included some prime examples of courtroom drama.

There are plenty of first-rate films of this genre. Eight films are featured in this series which will open on Thursday, March 10.

This spring's eight films are centered on outstanding courtroom drama including legal battles over a variety of newsworthy social issues. The series continues on Thursday nights through May 5.

All films begin at 7:00 PM with introductory remarks and discussion led by Charles Vahlkamp. The films will be shown in the Library's Community Room. Admission and popcorn are free.

March 10 - Directed by Alfred Hitchcock, 1947, with Gregory Peck, Ethel Barrymore, and Charles Laugh-ton. 125 minutes

A lesser known Hitchcock film featuring Gregory Peck as a barrister who becomes involved with the woman he is defending in court.

March 17 - Edward Dmytryk, Director, (1954), with Humphrey Bogart, Van Johnson, and Fred MacMurray. 124 minutes. A captain's authority is challenged by members of his crew when he starts



showing signs of mental instability.

March 24 - Stanley Kramer, Director, (1960), with Spencer Tracy and Frederic March. 128 minutes

A science teacher is put on the stand for teaching evolution in his class. Spencer Tracy (as Clarence Darrow) and Frederic March (as William Jennings Bryan) re-enact the famous Scopes/Monkey trial of 1925.

March 31 - Directed by Rob Reiner, (1992), with Tom Cruise, Jack Nicholson, Demi Moore, and Kevin Bacon. 138 minutes

A young, somewhat naïve navy lawyer takes on the Marine Corps in a

court martial murder trial.

April 7 - Jonathan Demme, Director (1993), with Tom Hanks, Denzel Washington, and Joanne Woodward. 125 minutes

A lawyer must struggle with his own personal prejudices as he battles in a wrongful dismissal case for justice in the courtroom.

April 21 - Directed by Jim Sheridan, (1993), with Daniel Day-Lewis and Emma Thompson. 133 minutes

From the streets of Belfast to the most hellish British prisons, this film recounts the true story of a man caught in the struggle for Irish independence.

April 28, Stephen Zaillian - Director (1998), with John Travolta and Robert Duvall. 115 minutes

A bigtime lawyer gets more than he bargained for when he gets involved in an environmental damages case.

May 5 - Niki Caro, Director (2005) with Charlize Theron and Frances McDormand. 126 minutes.

An employee takes her company to court over sexual harassment in the first successful such case in the USA.

Friends are indebted to Charles Vahlkamp for the excellent planning and vast movie knowledge he brings to each series.

Chautauqua 'Charlotte Dupuy - Suing for Freedom' Tells A Slave's Story

All Friends and the public are invited to the Friends Annual Meeting & Tea on Thursday, January 28 at 4:30 PM. A Chautauqua presentation by Elizabeth Lawson, a Kentucky Humanities Council artist, opens the event at the library.

Lawson presents the dramatic story 'Charlotte Dupuy - Suing for Freedom', based on the true experiences of a slave owned by Henry Clay in 1829. Charlotte Dupuy sued in a Maryland court in 1829 for her and her children's freedom. She was bought by Henry Clay in 1806 after marrying one of his slaves, Aaron Dupuy. Charlotte was nursemaid to the Clay children, eleven in all, and had two children of her own.

It was while Henry Clay was serving as Secretary of State for John Quincy Adams that friends in Washington, D.C.



Chautauqua artist Elizabeth Lawson of Lexington, Kentucky.

put her in touch with a lawyer. When Charlotte's petition was denied and she refused to return

to Kentucky with the Clay family, she was jailed in Virginia.

Once returned to the Clay family, she was sent to New Orleans to look after the children of Susan Clay, Henry's grandchildren. She later returned to Ashland to look after the younger Clay children. In 1840, Henry Clay emancipated Charlotte and her daughter, and four years later her son. Elizabeth Lawson's portrayal of this remarkable woman is sponsored by The Kentucky Humanities Council.

There follows a brief review of Friends of the Library activities and projects of 2015, presentation of the 2015 annual financial report, and the nomination and election of officers for the coming year.

ANNOUNCING WINTER SPRING PROGRAMS FOR 2016

Program Chair, Margaret Gardiner, announced the Friends Winter-Spring 2016 program series. The series began with **HOLIDAY FOODS AROUND THE WORLD**, on December 7th and featured Phyllis Passariello who discussed holiday food traditions from many cultures. Passariello, an Anthropology Professor at Centre College, is a well-known cook, hostess and the author of *Eating Culture: an Italian Yankee Cookbook*. Ms. Passariello has traveled extensively in Mexico, Ecuador, Western and Central Europe, and in the Middle East.

Thursday, February 18 - 7 PM
LIVING AS AN AMERICAN IN IRAN - Matthew Pierce lived in Iran from 2003 to 2006. As a part of an inter-faith dialogue program, he and his family learned to navi-



The Pierce family with friend standing in front of Istefan's 17th century Shah Mosque.

gate the unique and dynamic aspects of contemporary Iranian society. Pierce will talk about what it is like to live as an American in one of Iran's most conservative cities. He will explain some of the religious and cultural complexities of Iran today and discuss the possibilities of American-Iranian cooperation in the future. After receiving his PhD at Boston University, Pierce joined the faculty of Centre College as an assistant professor of religion in 2011.

Thursday, March 17 - 4 pm
SHAKER VILLAGE - PAST AND PRESENT

Are you just getting to know Shaker Village's many attractions, or have you been a supporter all through its restoration? Perhaps you already know that Shaker Village of Pleasant Hill is America's largest restored Shaker village. And with thirty-four original 19th century buildings on nearly 3,000 acres of farmland and natural habitats, it is a major tourist destination for Kentucky. Even so, Elizabeth Kennan Burns, chair of its non-profit board, will add to your knowledge of its historical importance, preservation and conservation activities.



Shaker details accent restored interiors.

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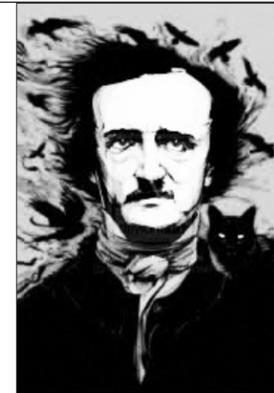
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**"THE BIG READ:
UNPUZZLING POE" EVENTS
ENJOYED BY THOUSANDS**

When THE BIG READ: UNPUZZLING POE arrived in Danville in mid-September, the face of Edgar Allan Poe enveloped the Danville-Boyle County community and remained a steady presence through the end of October. Spearheaded by the Boyle County Public Library, in collaboration with many community partners, the Unpuzzling Poe team offered events that provided opportunities for all participants to experience Poe like never before.



"I was so appreciative of this Big Read. The whole thing was so great. It was well planned and executed, and involved so many places and people throughout the county," said Jim Moore.

This tally of results shows the event's popularity:
6 weeks
47 programs offered
20 different venues in Boyle and Mercer Counties
14 separate book discussions
35 Businesses/Organizations partnered with the Library
1,000 books purchased and distributed by BCPL
2,734 Total Attendance
\$9,154.92 in direct and in-kind Contributions from Community Organization. Friends of the Library invested nearly one-third of this amount.

Programs designed specifically for children, seniors, youth, teens and families gave all age groups opportunities to enjoy and learn about Poe and his poetry and prose. Craft and painting events, art exhibits, book discussions, dramatic readings, a Poe-themed film series, an afternoon tea, a murder mystery for teens, plus a mock trial and a Poe impersonator were included in THE BIG READ.

**GIVE BOOKS, MUSIC OR FILMS
TO MARK SPECIAL DAYS ALL YEAR**

Memorial/Honor Program
"A book is a gift you can open again and again." - Garrison Keillor
The Memorial/Honor Program offers you the opportunity to donate a book or other materials to the Library's collection in memory of or in honor of a friend, relative, or special person in your life.

Gift Information:
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• Enclosed is a check made out to **Danville Library, Inc.** for \$ _____
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Mr. & Mrs. James Doe
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**IDEAS EXCHANGED AT KY FRIENDS MEETING
BENEFIT LOCAL OFFICERS, BCPL DIRECTOR**

Officers J.P. Brantley and Margaret Gardiner along with library director Georgia de Araujo attended the annual Kentucky State Friends Meeting. The all day meeting was held November 14th in Frankfort and coincided with the yearly Kentucky Book Fair. The meeting offers an opportunity for Friends chapters from all over the state to learn about and discuss statewide and local news and activities that support and advocate for public libraries.

The day's agenda included presentations by the state Friends representatives, Kentucky Department for Libraries and Archives staff, and networking with other library Friends organizations from around the state. Preliminary plans for the 2016 Library Legislative Day to be observed next February were announced. Wayne Onkst, State Librarian, reported on the Kentucky Department for Libraries and Archives' budget requests for the 2016-17 biennium, all of which support demonstrated need and benefit to the citizens of Kentucky. Requests include \$4 million for building and upgrades of 20 libraries (our library has benefitted from these funds in the past), \$1.2 million to increase internet access at public libraries, \$175,000 to expand/improve early childhood training for public librarians, and \$750,000 in restored funding for outreach vehicles (bookmobiles, etc.) Onkst noted that Kentucky now has the largest fleet of library outreach and bookmobile vehicles in the United States.

At round table discussions, Brantley, Gardiner and de Araujo exchanged ideas about recruiting and retaining Friends, fundraising through book sales and other events, and how to use the monies raised. They learned that state funding to libraries has been cut over the last seven years, and that libraries are seeking creative and effective ways to offset the lost income. Strong support from local Friends organizations and competition for grants aid libraries in this effort. The group also had numerous opportunities to hear ideas from other Friends chapters and to share some of their own successes such as partnering with the Great American Brass Band Festival and the Community Arts Center for the Great American Swing Dance held in the Library Park last summer.

Before departing the Danville group spent time browsing at the Book Fair and purchasing a new title or two.

**PUBLIC LIBRARIES ACROSS KENTUCKY APPLAUD
KENTUCKY SUPREME COURT DECISION
TO UPHOLD WAY LIBRARIES SET TAX RATES**

Public libraries across Kentucky welcomed the state Supreme Court decision not to hear arguments on how library tax rates are set. The decision was announced December 11, thus upholding an earlier ruling by the Kentucky Court of Appeals. In 2012 lawsuits were filed against two northern Kentucky libraries, challenging the way that these public libraries have set library tax rates for the past thirty plus years. The same method is used by all library taxing districts that were created by petition throughout the state. The Boyle County Public Library has set its tax rate this way since 1971 when the local taxing district was created. Former Library Director Karl Benson and the Library's Board

of Trustees diligently worked on creation of the taxing district to improve library revenues. The action was undertaken after the Kentucky Legislature imposed caps on the additional revenue that could be realized from higher local tax rates without voter approval. Libraries in Kentucky counties receive the majority of their annual funding from their library taxes. The Kentucky Court of Appeals heard arguments in the two lawsuits in 2014. It ruled on March 19, 2015 that the libraries had acted in good faith in determining annual tax rates and have used a way that is legal and proper now as it always has been in accordance with directions of the Executive Branch.

WINTER-SPRING PROGRAMS
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East Family Dwelling House circa 1940 as it appeared prior to extensive restoration of Pleasant Hill buildings that began in 1961.

Thursday, April 14 at 7 PM
MEET THE AUTHOR: KENTUCKY
POET LAUREATE GEORGE ELLA LYON

George Ella Lyon writes in many genres. "Though I write in many forms, I am first of all a poet," she affirms. A native of Harlan, Kentucky, Lyon graduated from Centre College. Lyon explains, "From Centre, I went to graduate school and began a life of teaching, writing and raising a family... I started out writing poetry for adults and teaching college; now I write for kids as well as adults and my teaching



George Ella Lyon
Photo by Ann W. Olson

Used Books Sales Fund BCPL Projects

NOVEMBER BOOK SALE NETS \$1,504 FOR LIBRARY FRIENDS

November's big book sale netted \$1,504 from books and other items sold. The sale ran November 5 - 7 and attracted plenty of customers. Much thanks to all 35 Friends' volunteers who assisted with

the sale from set up through sales and packing up unsold books for storage, and to the several helpful Library staffers (with special thanks to Isai Riveria) who also helped. Due to Jim Moore's time and commitment overseeing the entire event, the sale was a great success!

Friends offer semi-annual book sales each May and November. In addition the Friends run ongoing sale of used books in the Library. The books are displayed on shelves just beyond the main circulation desk near the restrooms. An honor box is mounted on the wall above the bookshelves or customers can pay for these books at the circulation desk. Prices are noted inside the book covers. Books prices are low providing great bargains for avid readers. Many titles are in excel-



is in the form of workshops, conferences and author visits."

For her term as Poet Laureate Lyon has developed the *Where I'm From* poetry project that involves all 120 counties in the state. She will read recent poems as well as answer questions about her work and interests.



Wednesday, May 18 at 4:30 PM
TALK OF THE TOWN - MONOLOGUES & DIALOGUES -
THE DHS FORENSICS TEAM

Danville High School students who are members of the Forensics Team under the tutelage of Steve Meadows will perform monologues and dialogues they have written and developed. So far this year the Forensics Team has captured 23 individual honors including tournament champions in Oratory and Declamation at the Beechwood Tiger Invitational Speech Tournament held in November.

This award winning team, after honing their skills through regional, state and national competitions, has impressed previous audiences at the Library with their energy, ingenuity and talent. Join them for this encore performance.



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BCPL OFFERS SENIORS' SOCIAL HOUR AS NEW MONTHLY EVENT

Seniors' Social Hour at the Library, a new monthly event, kicked off on November 23, 2015 in the Mahan Gallery. Several seniors gathered at 9:30 AM to share some of their favorite memories of Thanksgiving, and enjoy refreshments provided by the Library. December's gathering continued the social hour. A Library staff member facilitates each month's gathering.

The Library will continue this monthly social gathering of senior adults for an informational presentation about relevant topics in the New Year. Stay tuned for new schedule information beginning in January! The event is free and open to any seniors in the community.



NOMINATING COMMITTEE NAMED, TO PRESENT 2016 OFFICERS' SLATE

In preparation for the Friends' Annual Meeting the 2015 Nominating Committee was appointed. Members are past presidents Gayle Waddell and Chris Malito and longtime Friend Chris Kubale.

The committee is responsible for recruiting nominees and presenting the slate of officers at Friends Annual Meeting in January. Officers elected will lead Friends of the Library for the 2016 year.

Friends of the Library Officers

- President JP Brantley
- President-Elect Margaret Gardiner
- Secretary Alexis Angolia
- Treasurer Jim Moore

Friends of the Library is a volunteer auxiliary support group for the Boyle County Public Library. Funds generated by Friends are used exclusively for the library, for such things as support for special programs, purchase of equipment and other items for use in the library. A major service of Friends is to provide volunteers for book sales.

Benefits of Membership

Annual subscription to THE BOOK-MARK, a newsletter for Friends of the Library published three times per year.

Advance notice of spring and fall Friends' programs, film series, Mahan Gallery art exhibits, and Library special events.

10% discount on purchases of BCPL/FRIENDS merchandise tea, including mugs, book bags, assorted note cards paid at circulation desk with proof of current membership, and used books at Friends' semi-annual book sales.

Member recognition published annually in THE BOOKMARK.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES to assist library staff, work on library or Friends' projects, provide refreshments and/or hospitality at Friends' events, setup/sales/cashier volunteer roles at Friends' semi-annual book sales, and more!