

# 2023 KPLA CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

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## WEDNESDAY, MARCH 29 PRE-CONFERENCES

8:00am to 4:00pm

### **Registration**

9:00am to 12:00pm; East D-E

### **Middle Childhood – Yes, they still want to play!**

Throughout middle childhood, or ages 6-10, children are more independent and physically active than they were in the preschool years. They are more involved with friends and are learning to think in more complex ways. Progress in the major areas of development—physical, intellectual, emotional, and social—is gradual, but the changes in a child from one year to the next can be incredible.

These kids are transitioning from being beginning readers to becoming big kid, chapter book readers. School has started, different clubs and group opportunities emerge, and these kids can disappear from traditional library services as they begin participating activities previously unavailable to them.

Learn how to play and pull this age group back in so that they, too, can enjoy the Community Hub that is the public library.

*Amy Olson, KDLA Youth Services Consultant*

9:00am to 12:00pm; East B

### **Community Green Dot – a bystander training**

A three-hour interactive training, designed to equip participants with necessary knowledge, skills, and connection to increase their bystander (proactive and reactive) behaviors to power based personal violence: sexual violence, partner violence, child abuse, stalking and harassment. Throughout the training, video role-plays and discussion activities are utilized to maximize the level of engagement of participants and help them apply the concept in their lives. The main purpose of Green Dot is to reduce the rate of power based personal violence in our society by starting with the individual.

Community Green Dot Description: Green Dot is a nationally recognized strategy focused on preventing power-based personal violence, such as partner violence, child abuse, sexual violence, and harassment. The strategy is based on the belief that each of us holds power as bystanders to actively prevent violence and change our community norms.

Green Dot sees all community members as potential active bystanders and seeks to safely engage them in violence prevention in a way that seems manageable and realistic. Through bystander intervention training, the Green Dot program trains community members to handle situations that are potentially high-risk for power-based personal violence, increases self-efficacy and provides skill building and specific strategies to increase the likelihood that individuals will intervene. Active bystanders do “green dots” by expressing intolerance for violence through both proactive and reactive behaviors.

This program stresses the importance of community wide support for violence prevention and employs strategies that involve bars, restaurants, bankers, volunteers, small businesses, and individuals and organizations across the social spectrum. The end goal is Green Dot will create a community that believes violence of any kind is not okay, and we all must do our part to reduce it. And in the end, we have safer communities to live in.

*Ronda Howard, Prevention Coordinator; New Beginnings Sexual Assault Support Services*

2:00pm to 4:30pm; East D-E

### **Building a Community with Teen Services**

How do we bring teens into our library, and make them feel a part of library services past their teen and school

years? Beyond food and fun activities, how can we build relationships and communities that grow beyond our library spaces and their graduations?

Teens we serve well in the library become adult library patrons and advocates.

*Jessy Griffith, Teen Services Librarian, Kenton County Public Library*

2:00pm to 4:30pm; East B

### **HR Q&A**

Regina Jackson, Partner with English, Lucas, Priest & Owsley, LLP, will address some of the HR topics most pressing to library directors and answer questions from attendees. The second half of the session adds Directors Lisa Rice, Sarah Flood and Christina Cornelison along with security specialist and Branch Manager Chris Jackson to field questions and facilitate discussions regarding broader topics.

5:00pm to 6:00pm; East A

### **KPLA Executive Committee Meeting**

## **THURSDAY, MARCH 30**

8:00am to 4:00pm

### **Registration**

### **Thursday at 8:00am; Riverview**

#### **Breakfast**

### **Thursday at 9:00am; East A**

#### **Build Up Your Youth Services Department!**

Calling all first-time Youth Services Managers! Overseeing programming and services for your community's children and young adults is no easy task. This roundtable discussion will provide support and assistance to those in newfound leadership positions hoping to further grow their departments.

*Kristina Burton, Youth Services Librarian, Russell County Public Library*

### **Thursday at 9:00am; East B**

#### **Nurturing and Growing Educational Partnerships**

Bookie Wilson will share how her library has worked to develop, nurture, and grow partnerships with local educators. Discover how this Outreach has helped enhance literacy in school classrooms, provided teachers with additional free resources, increased visibility of the library, and boosted circulation of children's materials.

*Bookie Wilson, Children's Librarian, Woodford County Library*

### **Thursday at 9:00am; East C**

#### **Bookopoly: Reimagining the Summer Reading Challenge (Winning Blue Ribbons and Scratch Off Tickets)**

Before the Covid Canyon, our Library was experiencing declining readers for the summer. Parents didn't want to keep up with paper reading logs. So we changed to digital. Our numbers kept sinking! We decided to think outside the box...

Bookopoly, based on the Board Game Monopoly, is a new and exciting way for Children to have fun during the Library's Summer Reading challenge. By enjoying and playing the game, the participants don't realize they are combating the Summer Reading Slump, reading new genres and utilizing unknown areas of the Library! Plus winning Blue ribbons at the County Fair by playing the Board!

This session will discuss how we adapted the Bookopoly Board to our Library's Collection and Activities. And how we adapted through the weeks because of the popularity of the challenge!

*Tonya Coleman, Program Director, Pendleton County Public Library*

**Thursday at 9:00am; West E**

**From Books To Bikes: Building a Biking Community At Your Library**

Learn to empower your community to go by bike. We will discuss ways to establish relationships with community partners, build a library bicycle program that teaches bike handling skills, and safety tips for navigating your city by bike. The discussion will include information on how to create a bicycle-friendly library and grants available to help you make it happen.

*Olivia Shelton, Teen Librarian, Marshall County Public Library*

*Erin Lewis, Public Services Librarian, McCracken County Public Library*

**Thursday at 10:00am; West D**

**Keynote Address from Stacey Lee**

Stacey Lee is the New York Times and Indie bestselling author of historical and contemporary young adult and middle grade fiction, including *The Downstairs Girl*, a Reese's Book Club Late Summer 2021 YA pick, and her most recent novel, *Winston Chu VS The Whimsies*, published by Rick Riordan Presents.

A native of southern California and fourth-generation Chinese American, she is a founder of the We Need Diverse Books movement and writes stories for all kids (even the ones who look like adults).

**Thursday at 11:00am; East A**

**Reaching Teens in Your Library**

Come join a Round Table Discussion about Teen Services. Learn what one Teen Librarian is doing to reach the teens in her community. The discussion will include information on collection development, outreach, programming, and more.

*Olivia Shelton, Teen Librarian, Marshall County Public Library*

**Thursday at 11:00am; East B**

**Fearless Storytime: Ten Things You Should Not Be Afraid to Do as a Storytime Presenter**

"The kids are running wild, what do I do? Mother Goose On the Loose, Every Child Ready to Read, Supercharged Storytimes...which one is right? I want to try something a little different, but what if it flops? Do I have to use puppets? Flannels? I can't carry a tune in a bucket, can I just play recorded music? Do I have to use themes? What about crafts?"

From planning to behavior to stage fright, we will discuss things you should not be afraid to do as a storytime provider. This presentation will be empowering to those new to storytime, and a great refresher for those who are rebuilding in-person early literacy programming in the new normal, and applies to both in-library and outreach storytimes.

*Jennifer Sullivan, Youth & Family Services Manager, Anderson Public Library*

**Thursday at 11:00am; East C**

**Arts and Crafts Festival 101**

Learn how to develop an arts and crafts festival in your library, no matter the size of your organization, that not only will be successful but will support small businesses in your area. We'll discuss topics such as vendor database development, entertainment, promotion, layout and distribution of vendors, feedback after the event and how this can be used for future events, and other important aspects of these types of programs.

*Dagmar Morales, Programmer, Kenton County Public Library*

**Thursday at 11:00am; West E**

**Fitting the Past with the Present**

Kentucky libraries house unique and invaluable local history collections that offer our institutions an opportunity to connect with their community and demonstrate how the past fits together with the present. Examples of the use of local history material in programming, and in demonstrated value to their community will be used to illustrate to attendees how they might fit these resources into their planning process.

*Rusty Heckaman, Research Room Supervisor, Kentucky Department for Libraries and Archives*  
*Dave Schroeder, Executive Director, Kenton County Public Library*  
*David Kirkpatrick, Assistant Director, Mercer County Public Library*  
*David Bryant, Assistant Manager, Central Library, Lexington Public Library*

**Thursday at 11:00am; West C**

**On the Up & Up in the Out & About**

Mercedes MacLean the Outreach Manager of Scott County Public Library will explore how to find the perfect collaborations within your community and library to promote your Outreach department to the center of your library's strategic plans and their vision for the future. This session will discuss how to create a permanent storywalk in collaboration with your Parks and Recreation department, how to work with your PR team to create Outreach promotional materials that make sense for your patrons and how to become a joiner in your community to head start Outreach opportunities at every level.

*Mercedes MacLean, Outreach Manager, Scott County Public Library*

**Thursday at 12pm to 1:20pm; East D-E**

**Awards Luncheon**

**Thursday at 1:30pm; East A**

**Supporting The Aging Community**

The presentation by the Alzheimer's Association will discuss how your library can support the aging community, those living with dementia, and caregivers. Learn more about dementia and how it impacts those living in your community. By attending this session you will learn more about supporting those who live with dementia in your community. You will also learn more about how your library can partner with the Alzheimer's Association to provide more care & support for your community.

*Kristopher Izzi, Community Outreach Coordinator, Alzheimer's Association, Greater Kentucky and Southern Indiana Chapter*

**Thursday at 1:30pm; East B**

**Trustworthy Trustees: How Librarians and Judge Executives Understand and Select Trustees**

As public librarians in Kentucky know, selection of trustees for library Boards has been complicated by passage of KRS 167, as increased censorship troubles libraries nationwide. Shannon Crawford Barniskis and Shannon Oltmann, from the UKY library school, will present early findings from our research on trustees, examining how public librarians and county judge executives understand, select, and work with trustees. This session is also a forum for discussing trustee best practices and concerns.

*Shannon Crawford Barniskis, Assistant Professor, UKY School of Information Science*

**Thursday at 1:30pm; East C**

**Getting Back to Literacy in Programming**

What happens when you combine the importance of literacy with the "library as a community center" mindset? Take a look at how MCPL uses literacy-based programming to increase attendance, circulation, and community well-being with programs like subscription boxes, reading challenges, cultural heritage series, and month-long initiatives encouraging physical, mental, and emotional health.

*Katlyn Ramsey, Adult Programming Coordinator, Madison County Public Library*

**Thursday at 1:30pm; West C**

**African American & Underground Railroad Research in Antebellum Kentucky Records (and beyond)**

Hillary Delaney has nearly a decade of experience researching the Underground Railroad and African American history in Northern Kentucky and beyond. Her presentation is designed to be a mini-master class in research methodology for all levels of interest and knowledge. Attendees will learn how the use of primary sources, local information, genealogy, creativity and tenacity helped to reveal the stories of two men once-enslaved in Boone

County. Connections between enslavers' families and enslaved people as well as the use of "backward research" will also be explained.

*Hillary Delaney, Lead Researcher, African American Initiatives, Borderlands Archive and History Center, Boone County Public Library*

#### **Thursday at 1:30pm; West E**

##### **FRYSCs & Public Libraries: They Fit Together**

Learn about the work being done by Kentucky's Family Resource Centers and hear from a FRYSC-public library collaborative relationship that has benefited not only the two organizations, but their community as well.

*Glenda Byers, Youth Service Center Coordinator, Marshall County Family Resource Center*

#### **Thursday at 2:30pm; East A**

##### **Adult Reader's Advisory Roundtable**

Join our discussion on all things Adult Reader's Advisory. Come ready to share your experience, ask questions, and network with fellow library workers about serving our adult patrons' reader's advisory needs.

*Jessica Slone, Patron Experience Librarian II, Kenton County Public Library*

*Janice Shepherd, Collection Development Librarian, Kenton County Public Library*

#### **Thursday at 2:30pm; East B**

##### **KDLA's New Certification System—Coming Soon!**

KDLA is very excited to offer you a sneak peek into our new online certification system! Join us as we dive into our Learning Portal and go through the process of applying for initial and renewal certification for all levels. You'll also see how to keep track of your contact hours and submit payment for certification. Be ready to learn and bring your questions.

*Kimberly Usry, Training Development Specialist II, Kentucky Department for Libraries and Archives*

#### **Thursday at 2:30pm; East D-E**

##### **Book Parties for Any Budget & Any Age**

Favorite Books come alive at Book Parties! After many successful book parties for children & tweens, we will share tips, tricks, themes, crafts, decor & ideas to host your own successful Book-themed Parties! From Peppa Pig's Muddy Puddles Party to a Frozen-themed Family Winterfest, the Scott County Public Library is making themed & dress-up parties the new go-to program.

*Roseann Polashek, Youth Services Manager, Scott County Public Library*

*Yolanda Poston, Library Assistant/Gallery Curator, Scott County Public Library*

#### **Thursday at 2:30p; West C**

##### **Cultivating Employment via Teen Advisory Boards**

Developing teen participation at the library can be a challenge. The Russell County Public Library saw gains with the institution of our Teen Advisory Board's afterschool job shadowing program in 2022, providing opportunities for teens to shadow full-time staff in a variety of departments. This session will highlight the nurturing of career skills, outline our tier-based advancement system, and provide guidance for implementation at any level.

*Kristina Burton, Youth Services Librarian, Russell County Public Library*

#### **Thursday at 2:30pm; West E**

##### **The Little RV that Could**

When Jessamine County Public Library received an IMLS American Rescue Plan Grant to purchase a programming vehicle, we had no idea what sort of ride awaited us. Where could we find a vehicle with all the supply chain issues? How could we kit it out to host programs? Was it possible to fulfill the grant with budget and time we had? The road led us to a 2006 Forest River RV that became the Jessamine Events Mobile (aka "the J.E.M."). This program venue on wheels, tricked out with a bright, retro wrap and all the gear necessary to turn any off-site location into a library happening, has quickly become a community icon. Learn how we did it and

why we think programming vehicles are a gem of an idea.

*Leslie Lehman, Community Connections Librarian, Jessamine County Public Library*

*Kate Irwin, Jessamine County Public Library*

**Thursday 3:00pm to 5:00pm; West A  
Career Center**

**Thursday at 3:30pm; Riverview**

**Snack Break**

**Thursday at 4:00pm; East A**

**Kentucky Libraries Unbound–State of the Consortium**

The state of the consortium address, including an overview of the consortium holdings and statistics, upcoming enhancements from Overdrive, and future consortium wide projects.

*Katie Justice, Digital Services Librarian/KLU Consortium Coordinator*

**Thursday at 4:00pm; East B**

**Is the Customer Always Right?**

While we want to provide great customer service there are still policies and procedures that need to be followed. In this session we will discuss best practices for letting patrons be wrong with dignity, how to help staff so they don't have to endure disrespectful angry patrons by being empathetic not apologetic, and how to not take bad interactions with patrons home with you.

*Demaris Hill, Library Director, Anderson Public Library*

**Thursday at 4:00; East C**

**The 5 Simple Steps Every Library Director Must Take to Avoid the Next Ransomware Nightmare**

The cyber threat landscape is constantly changing. In this session we will dive into what the biggest threats are, the steps every library should be taking to ensure their patron and staff data is safe, the steps libraries should be taking to ensure that if you are hit with a cyber-attack you can continue to run the library while you recover.

*Lisa Johnson, VP/Owner, AVC Technology*

*Brian Johnson, AVC Technology*

**Thursday at 4:00; West E**

**Updates from KDLA's Library Development Branch; West E**

Join staff from the Kentucky Department for Libraries and Archives Library Development Branch to hear what the branch is working on, current initiatives, available resources, upcoming trainings and plans for 2023! You will also have a chance to ask questions and let us know how we can serve you and your library better.

*Nikole Gieske, Library Development Branch Manager, Kentucky Department for Libraries and Archives*

*Amber Potts, Library Regional Consultant, Kentucky Department for Libraries and Archives*

*Chris Bischoff, Library Regional Consultant, Kentucky Department for Libraries and Archives*

*Melissa Rueda, Library Regional Consultant, Kentucky Department for Libraries and Archives*

**Thursday at 5:00pm; East B**

**KPLA Business Meeting**

**FRIDAY, MARCH 31**

8:00am-2:00pm

**Registration**

**Friday at 8:00am; Riverview**

**Breakfast**

**Friday 8:00am to 10:00am; West A**  
**Career Center**

**Friday at 9:00am; East A**

**The Chicken or the Egg: Spaces and Collection**

Bring your ideas to this round table small group discussion on the intersection of space and collection! How are you creating intentional space for your patrons and materials? Design, layout, and the aesthetic of your space can increase patron interaction and circulation, let's chat!

*Janice Shepherd, Collection Development Librarian, Kenton County Public Library*

*Jessica Slone, Patron Experience Librarian II, Kenton County Public Library*

**Friday at 9:00am; East B**

**Capital Planning and Facility Financing**

An overview of capital planning and funding options for Kentucky Public Libraries.

*Michael George, Managing Director, Compass Municipal Advisors, LLC*

**Friday at 9:00am; East C**

**Library, Schools, and Family Resource Centers: Natural Partners**

Does partnering with school libraries feel overwhelming? Come learn how I was able to take a practical and tangible approach through connections formed with each school librarian and Family Resource Center Director. Through these connections, I have started and maintained a circulating collection in our elementary school libraries, with plans to expand to additional schools. We are also able to sign each student up for our Summer Reading Program and provide each student with a new, popular book that is theirs to keep. In addition, I am a frequent guest reader at the schools and visit the Intermediate school monthly with our Teen Librarian to share, engage, and provide programming for tweens. This session will equip participants with the means to break through the barriers and establish those partnerships that reach the underserved in the public schools. There will be examples of things that have worked, some things that had less than great results, and new and exciting projects we are looking to add in the future. While school Librarians are very busy, and it can be hard to foster these partnerships, it is both worthwhile and possible.

*Misty Strain, Youth Services Librarian, Clark County Public Library*

**Friday at 9:00am; West C**

**KET's PBS LearningMedia—Free, Powerful Resources for your Library**

PBS LearningMedia is home to hundreds of resources you can recommend to your library patrons of all ages. PBS LearningMedia offers standards-aligned videos, interactives, lesson plans, and more for educators, parents, and students. Create a FREE account in just seconds (can sign in with your Google account) and you are all set to explore a wealth of digital resources.

*Kathy Davis, Education Consultant, KET, Kentucky Education Television*

**Friday at 10:00am; West D**

**Keynote Address from Sonia Manzano**

Actress, author, speaker, and advocate who is perhaps best known for playing Maria on Sesame Street, Sonia Manzano will talk to us about life on and off the stage.

**Friday at 11:00am; East A**

**Why Would I Use KYVL? Serving Schools and Community Needs with KYVL Resources**

Are you interested in school/public library partnerships? KYVL resources are great for a variety of needs, for students and adults alike.. KYVL has GED, ACT, AP and ASVAB test prep as well as test prep for trade and professional exams. We provide three K12 ebook collections for reading online or downloading books,

covering a variety of topics and needs, for educators as well. KYVL offers a pro/con database, encyclopedias, and magazines and journals for all interests, including trade journals for plumbing, electrical and more. We're also building a collection of resources to help you with inquiry at the K12 level and beyond, called the InfoLit Gallery. Let's explore these resources together to extend your library services within your local schools and community.

*Enid Wohlstein, Senior Fellow, Kentucky Virtual Library*

### **Friday at 11:00am; East B**

#### **The New Nonfiction**

Your patrons are living in an information age that could scarcely have been imagined even a decade ago. Has your library's nonfiction collection kept up with the monumental changes in the information landscape? With so much freely available information out there, what should a public library's nonfiction section even look like? In this session, we'll explore the challenges and opportunities of nonfiction collection development in the digital age.

*Sarah Pace-McGowan, Branch Manager, Marshall County Public Library*

### **Friday at 11:00am; East C**

#### **Programming Outside of Time and Space**

Even the best time for a program still doesn't work for everyone. How do we create meaningful experiences for our patrons when they can't attend Tuesday at 10:30 or Thursday at 7pm?

*Faith Mulberry, Branch Manager, Kenton County Public Library*

### **Friday at 11:00am; West C**

#### **A Newbie's Guide to Dungeons & Dragons for Teens**

Dungeons & Dragons has taken over our library! If you're a novice intimidated by dice rolls, ability checks, and character-building, this how-to guide is for you! See how we rebuilt our teen program with this collaborative storytelling game, learned from our mistakes, and branched out with community partners.

*Beth Dunston, Teen Services Librarian, Paris-Bourbon County Library*

### **Friday at 11:00am; West E**

#### **Let's Learn KY: Kindergarten Readiness Resources for Parents and Caregivers**

Parents and caregivers are a child's first and most important teacher! Join KET to explore Let's Learn KY, a parent and caregiver friendly website where families can find information to help their children learn and grow. Participants will also find community outreach resources to share Let's Learn KY in their community.

*Amanda Wright, Director, Early Childhood Education, KET*

*Lynn Shaffer, Early Childhood Education Specialist, KET*

### **Friday at 1:00p; East A**

#### **Who's Haunting My House: Piecing Together Property History**

Researching the history of a house or a piece of property can be daunting (and haunting) at times. In this session, learn what resources to use to trace property history, how to interpret the records you find, and research tips to help you along the way. Some basic genealogy experience recommended.

*Christina Clary, Library Associate/Certified Archivist, Daviess County Public Library*

### **Friday at 1:00pm; East B**

#### **Outreach in a van down by the Ohio River**

No Book Mobile? No problem! Join us for a panel on how a team of two gets countless books into the hands of our community. In a minivan, we travel far and wide from the Ohio River to the outskirts of our county, giving people access to books in several different ways.

*Candice Dent, Outreach Coordinator, Daviess County Public Library*

*Casey Zolgmann, Associate Outreach Specialist, Daviess County Public Library*

### **Friday at 1:00pm; East C**

#### **Graphic Novels and Manga: From Core Collections to Current Trends**

Graphic Novels and Manga continue to gain in popularity. Whether you are creating or building a collection this session will offer you titles that will fly off your shelves.

*Valerie Davis, Branch Manager, Campbell County Public Library*

### **Friday at 1:00pm; West C**

#### **Fitting Together to Build a Better Community: Academic and Public Libraries Working Together**

The Paul Meek Library at the University of Tennessee at Martin serves an academic community of about 7,000 students as well as partnering with the public library in serving our small college-town of roughly 10,000. In the Northwest corner of Tennessee, Martin lies only eleven miles from the Kentucky state line and about 60 miles from Paducah, KY and 56 miles from Murray, KY. The Martin Public Library is in a new building that opened in 2021. Both public and academic libraries are collaborating to implement events that pull our communities together. With this presentation, we will share events in which the Paul Meek Library has collaborated with local public libraries in our area and the ways we see these programs as having benefited our mutual communities.

*Ronne Jones, Library Supervisor, Paul Meek Library at the University of Tennessee at Martin*

*Marcie Boutwell, Electronic Resources and Discovery Librarian, University of Tennessee at Martin*

### **Friday at 1:00pm; West E**

#### **New Directors Panel**

If being a library director is among your goals, this is the panel for you. Five newly minted directors from across the state will discuss the transition from teammate to boss, taking ownership of the position, and of course, those elusive details we wish we would have known before accepting the position. Join us for Q&A, interactive discussions and perspectives on leading a library.

*Christina Cornelison, Director, Madison County Public Library*

*Shawn Fry, Director, Gallatin County Public Library*

*Tara O'Hagan, Director, Bullitt County Public Library*

*Rebecca Pruitt, Director, Green County Public Library*

*Shannon Sandefur, Henderson County Public Library*

### **Friday at 2:00pm-3:20pm; West D**

#### **Positioning Your Library as a Community Asset to Elected Officials**

This session offers the foundational understanding of how to position your library as a community asset and partner in the minds of your local elected leaders. It will allow you to understand the Mind and Motivations of elected leaders so that you can establish and maintain strong, mutually beneficial relationships to move your community forward.

If you have ever wanted to position your library as a critical partner for the overall vibrancy of your community this session is for you!

*Jay McChord, President / CEO, Trainer, Consultant, Speaker, Author, Artist, & "Chief Encouragement Officer", McChord Inc.*

### **Friday at 3:30pm; East A**

#### **Presenter: You**

Have you ever wanted to present at KPLA or another conference, but didn't know where to start? Or do you have great ideas for a presentation, but are just too scared of standing in front of other people to actually do it? This session will give you the tools and skills you need to propose and deliver a successful presentation.

*Tammy Blackwell, Director, Marshall County Public Library*

**Friday at 3:30pm; East B****Ready, Set, Play: Developing Play-Based Programming and Spaces for Ages 1-3**

According to the American Academy of Pediatrics, play is a crucial aspect of early childhood development. At DCPL, we have created a fun and welcome play environment to encourage parent/child learning interactions. Join us to learn how to transform programming for ages 1-3 with an emphasis on play and parent/child relationships. We will also discuss how we renovated our Children's Area to emphasize play and early literacy.

*Taryn Norris, Children's Librarian/Assistant Manager, Daviess County Public Library*

*Kim Meredith, Preschool Services Coordinator, Daviess County Public Library*

**Friday at 3:30pm; East C****Casino Night with a Twist!**

We recently held a 'Casino Night with a Twist' as a family program. I'll be honest, this began as an adult program but then we realized we most likely wouldn't get a room full of adults there, with only key chains and dice erasers as prizes!

We had four games set up, which covered math and reading; also a display board on how un-lucrative playing the lottery can be! Our games consisted of Spin the Wheel and guess the book based on a quote, Roll a Double with giant inflatable dice, Plinko-land on a P win a prize and Higher or Lower with a set of extra large playing cards!

As the families came in, they put their family name into a drawing to win a board game and each member that wanted to play were given five game chips. One chip per game and if you won you got your chip back (and they let you know if you forgot!).

For once prizes were only given if you won the game, which surprisingly they were ok with! We wanted them to get away from the everyone's a winner idea; that if you lose you still win a prize!

We served popcorn and punch for refreshments-kept it simple.

Everyone had an absolute blast!

*Julie Barksdale, Library Programming, Meade County Public Library*

**Friday at 3:30pm; West C****Gamify Reading with Reading Dragons**

Studies have shown the benefits of adding an element of gaming to reading challenges and initiatives. With this in mind, the Dover Public Library developed an eight-month reading initiative called Reading Dragons, in the style of popular collectible card games. This session explores how the Casey County Public Library remixed this program for their rural setting. This includes tips for successfully implementing the program, as well as many pitfalls to avoid and lessons learned along the way.

*Sammie Betler, Assistant Director, Casey County Public Library*

*Michelle Yates, Program Coordinator, Casey County Public Library*

**Friday at 3:30pm; West E****Privacy: An Intellectual Freedom Issue**

We've all heard about book challenges, but what about challenges to people's privacy? This Q&A session will give some ideas about how to protect our patrons' rights to browse, search, and read freely in privacy.

*Mary Landrum, Children's Librarian, Lexington Public Library and Chair, KPLA Intellectual Freedom Committee*

*Kristina Burton, Youth Services Librarian, Russell County Public Library*

*J.P. Johnson, Kentucky Room Library Associate, Lexington Public Library*

*Beth Dunston, Teen Services Librarian, Paris-Bourbon County Public Library*