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## GOOD NEWS: A letter from the WPLF



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### **Free Little Library Success**

With the help of Everygy, Hutton, and YOU, 26 Little Free Libraries are loaded with books in District III neighborhoods where people face barriers to accessing literacy resources. We hope to ignite excitement for reading in kids ages 0-5 and encourage parents and grandparents to find the time and a way to visit the Walters Library.



*Sherii Farmer  
Senior Community Relations  
Manager at Everygy*

### **Welcome, Jennifer Keller**

We are thrilled to welcome Jennifer Keller to the Wichita Public Library Foundation as our new project coordinator. Jennifer is a native Kansan. She received her bachelor's in advertising and public relations from WSU and her master's in public health from KU. Jennifer's spent more than 30 years doing marketing for various organizations. She enjoys non-profit work the best, which brought her to us!



*Jennifer Keller  
Project Coordinator*

### **Update on Westlink Branch**

Westlink Branch is closed for renovation and expansion for the first time since it opened in 1981, yet it is the Wichita Public Library system's busiest branch location. Next summer, customers can use the reimagined space, including a vibrant larger children's area, study rooms, a tech room, and a designated teen space. Starting May 22, the branch will operate temporarily at 7011 W. Central, Suite 205. Find more information at [www.wichitalibrary.org/westlinkremodel](http://www.wichitalibrary.org/westlinkremodel).

### **Did you know?**

The Library's new Cricut Maker 3 can cut such materials as vinyl and paper and can be used to create signs, invitations, cards, stickers, and more. Find details on the Cricut and other technological wonders at [www.wichitalibrary.org/services](http://www.wichitalibrary.org/services). You can also sign up for a 3D Printing class, learn about "The Library of Things," and get one-on-one computer help (either Mac or PC) with "Book-A-Librarian," at this site too.



*A Cricut Maker 3 is available for use  
at the Advanced Learning Library*

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## Upcoming Wichita Public Library Programs

*Your WPLF financial support underwrites these programs. Remember, your donations make a difference in the number and quality of programs the Library can provide!*

**Learn How with Go Create: Series Electronics Circuit Theory**, 1-2:30 p.m. May 23, Advanced Learning Library. Learn about series circuits and theory and discuss how we can use them. We will cover some of the formulas and math in using series circuits. This is a fun way to see how electronics and the Ohm's law work hand in hand.

**Summer Reading**, May 25-August 1, Wichita Public Libraries. Kids, teens, and adults can register at [www.wichitapubliclibrary/summerreading](http://www.wichitapubliclibrary/summerreading).

**ReadICT Podcast**. Listen to the Library's podcast series, "Read. Return. Repeat.," for recommendations from librarians and guests at [www.wichitalibrary.org/podcast](http://www.wichitalibrary.org/podcast).

**Ethics and Artificial Intelligence**, 6-7 p.m. June 6, Advanced Learning Library. Artificial Intelligence (AI) is used for voice assistance, speech recognition, fraud detection, e-commerce, language translation, and more. Dr. Susan Castro, associate professor of philosophy and department chair at Wichita State University, will lead a discussion on the ethical issues of Artificial Intelligence.

**Little Miss Ann**, 11:30 a.m.-noon June 8, Walters Branch; same day, 2:30-3:30 p.m., Rockwell Branch. Ann Torralba, a.k.a. Little Miss Ann, is a nationally touring Kids' Musician. She will perform fun, interactive originals, and reinvented classics with catchy melodies and energetic beats to inspire ages 3 and up to sing, dance and clap along.

**Yoga for Every Body**, 10:30-11:30 a.m. June 13, Advanced Learning Library. In partnership with the Greater Wichita YMCA, a Chair Yoga class is designed to increase flexibility, balance, and range of movement. Restorative breathing exercises and final relaxation will promote stress reduction and mental clarity.

**Lucky Diaz**, 10:30-11:30 a.m. June 13, Alford Branch; same day, 2:30-3:30 p.m., Evergreen Branch. Grammy-nominated musician and author Lucky Diaz brings us a story about kindness, community, and, of course, paletas: Paletero Man. Based on the musical hit by the same name, enjoy a delightful read-aloud by Diaz followed by a musical performance that will get the family dancing! For children ages 5 and up.

**The Uncle Devin Show**, 10:30-11:30 a.m. June 13, Alford Branch; same day, 2:30-3:30 p.m., Maya Angelou Branch. The Uncle Devin Show® is an interactive musical experience by renowned drummer and percussionist Devin Walker. Cultivate the minds of children through percussion instruments for children ages 3 and up and their families.

**Family Art in the Courtyard**, 10:30 a.m.-noon June 20, Rockwell Branch. Explore art with projects such as wet felting, sand art, and sidewalk chalk for children ages three and up with their families.

Visit [www.wichitalibrary.org/events](http://www.wichitalibrary.org/events) for more programs and information.

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