NEW E-ASSIST BOOK BIKE HITS THE ROAD

Technically it’s an electric-assist tricycle rather than a bicycle. But no matter what you want to call it, the newest book bike is delivering library programs and services throughout the community.

The new book bike made its debut in July delivering storytimes, summer programs like the Out & About series, and pop-up activities.

The new e-assist trike is a custom, hand-built cargo bike from Icicle Tricycles, a maker of beautiful ice cream and food bikes, bicycle cafe fleets, book bikes, and push carts. It will replace the previous book bike, a well-loved e-bike with a trailer that has served the community since 2018. In that time, the book bike and library staff were recognized for the community programs and services with the 2022 Community Impact Award from the Association of Bookmobiles and Outreach Services.

The new book bike was made possible by the Poudre River Library Trust and generous donations made during the 2022 Colorado Gives campaign. The cargo exterior design reflects the Library’s new brand and mirrors Evie, the new electric mobile library. The design is based on Rafael López’s community mural located in the Civic Center Parking Garage.

GEKKY FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY!
Fort Collins Comic Con, August 26 -27, at Northside Aztlan Community Center

You’re swept up in the excitement even as you approach the Northside Aztlan Community Center. Everywhere you look, cosplayers rep their favorite fandoms, kids high-five superheroes and supervillains, and people bond over shared interests.

Comic book creators and artists take center stage at the event alongside prominent scientists ready to share their enthusiasm and knowledge. The two-day Con also offers workshops and interactive presentations designed to spark new interests and create a sense of community.
**Early Bird Prices**

Badges are available for purchase online at FoCoComicCon.com. Prices increase if you purchase your badge onsite at the event, so grab the early bird availability.

- Ages 13+: $25
- Ages 6-12: $10
- Ages 5 and under: Free, but they still need a badge

Your badge is good for admission to the Con for both days, so there’s no need to rush through. Take your time, explore, and stop by the library booth to say hello.

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**Events at the Library**

- **Animal Afternoon**
  - Ages 5 and under: Free, but they still need a badge

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**Library Programs**

- **Paint Pouring for Teens & Adults**
  - 3:30 - 4:30 PM, Council Tree
  - See description above.

- **Paint Pouring for Adults**
  - 6 - 7 PM, Council Tree
  - Adults | Registration Required
  - See description above.

- **Noches en Familia at the Museum**
  - 5 - 7 PM, Museum of Discovery, 408 Mason Ct, All Ages
  - Noches en Familia es un programa literario bilingüe que conecta con la comunidad con la cultura Latinoamericana a través de cuento infantil, música, actividades, juegos e intercambios especiales.

- **All Together Fun**
  - 2 - 3:30 PM, Harmony
  - Kids | Registration Required
  - Create take-home crafts and join hands-on activities that bring new friends together. For ages 6-9.

- **Excel Beyond Basics: Computer & Technology Classes**
  - 1 - 2:30 PM, Old Town
  - Adults | Registration Recommended
  - Learn and practice advanced Excel features. Laptops provided.

- **Book Bike Out & About**
  - 5:30 - 6:30 PM, Old Town
  - Adults and children can stop by and read the latest New York Times best sellers on two wheels, or bring your own book and browse the selection of books.

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**Library Resources**

- **Library Park, 200 Matthews Street**
  - Adults | Registration Required
  - Learn about Fort Collins' role in the Women's Suffrage movement through this downtown walking tour with the City of Fort Collins Recreation Services team.

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**Library Events**

- **Snack & Craft**
  - 3:30 - 4 PM, Council Tree
  - Teens / Adolescentes 15 a 18 años.

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**Library News**

- **All Day, All Locations**
  - Adults | Registration Required
  - Learn and practice the basics of using a computer. Laptops provided.

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**Library Services**

- **Computer Comfort: Computer & Technology Classes**
  - 2 - 3:30 PM, Old Town
  - Adults | Registration Encouraged
  - Learn and practice the basics of using a computer.

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WANT TO LEAD A PROGRAM AT THE LIBRARY?

Looking for a platform to share your expertise with the community? Poudre Libraries is accepting applications from not-for-profit organizations who wish to voluntarily organize and lead a program at the library for a one-year period. We provide the space and promotional support... you provide the program!

Current community-led program series include International Night, the Antarctic Lecture Series, Larimer County Genealogical Society classes, and one-on-one help.

Applications are due September 1, 2023 for a program start date of January 1, 2024 or later. All programs must follow library policy, including being free of charge and open to the public. Applicants must commit to running their program at least four times between January 1 - December 31, 2024.

There are a limited number of community-led program spots available. We select programs that best align with the following criteria:
- Library mission, values and strategic plan
- Diversity, equity, inclusion, and cultural competence
- Audience appeal and emerging community interests
- Quality of program content and delivery
- Community response and program effectiveness

Read more about the process and apply online at PoudreLibraries.org.

SUMMER READING WRAPS UP THIS MONTH

The 2023 Summer Reading Challenge is coming to an end, but there’s still time to log your final reading days and Bingo activities.

Monday, August 14
Last day to log activities in the Beanstack app or online. If you’ve opted for a screen-free reading challenge, this is the last day to turn in your Bingo tickets at the libraries.

Wednesday, August 16
Library staff will begin contacting Grand Prize drawing winners. We’ll share details with winners how to pick up prizes from the libraries.

Monday, August 21
Last day to pick up challenge completion prizes (Bingo Black Out), Bingo stickers, and signup gifts at the libraries. Kids and teens receive a free book for completing the entire Bingo board. Adults ages 18+ receive a limited edition tote bag.

There’s still time to get your free tote or book! complete your bingo board and then pick up your prize
WHERE IS EVIE?

Aggie Village Apartments  
Wednesday, August 2  
12:45 - 1:15 PM

Aspen Memory Care  
Monday, August 14  
1:45 - 2:45 PM

Cloverleaf Community Mobile  
Home Park  
Friday, August 4  
10:45 - 11:30 AM

Collins Aire Mobile Home Park  
Friday, August 4  
11:45 AM - 12:15 PM

La Familia / The Family Center  
Wednesday, August 2  
10 - 10:30 AM

LaPorte Presbyterian Church  
Wednesday, August 2  
11 AM - Noon

Livermore Community Visit  
Tuesday, August 22  
8 - 11 AM

Murphy Center  
Monday, August 21  
1 - 2:30 PM

WEEKLY SUMMER storytimes

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Saturday

| COUNCIL TREE All Ages Storytime             |                                               |                                               |                                               |                                             |
| 10:00 AM                                    |                                               |                                               |                                               |                                             |

Neighborhood Night Out  
Tuesday, August 1  
Noon - 1 PM

Noches en Familia at the Museum  
Friday, August 4  
5 - 7 PM

Oakbrook I Senior Living Community  
Tuesday, August 15  
1 - 2:30 PM

Oakbrook II Senior Living Community  
Tuesday, August 15  
9:30 - 11:00 AM

Poudre Valley Mobile Home Park  
Friday, August 4  
12:45 - 1:45 PM

PSD Early Childhood Back to School Bash  
Saturday, August 5  
9 AM - Noon

Stove Prairie Community Visit  
Thursday, August 17  
10 AM - Noon

Special Storytimes

Gardens on Spring Creek  
Wednesday, August 9  
3:30 PM  
2145 Centre Avenue  
registration required

Toddler Tracks  
Wednesday, August 16  
9:30 AM  
Maggie Meander Natural Area  
520 Hickory Street  
registration required

Noches en Familia  
Friday, August 4  
1 PM  
Fort Collins Museum of Discovery

Timnath Storytime Express  
Friday, August 18  
10:00 AM  
Timnath Town Center