## Beyond the Books

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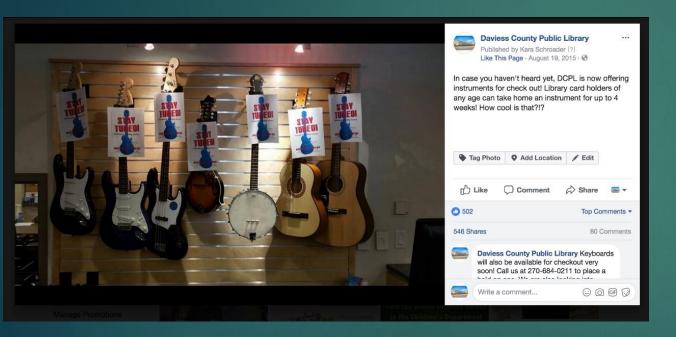
DAVIESS COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY

## What are non-traditional collections?



- Non-traditional collections are items that are uncommon to find in the average library.
- Some examples of non-traditional collections across the country:
  - Baking pans
  - Telescopes
  - Gardening tools
  - Sewing machines
  - Art

#### Musical Instruments



- John Wayne Catt / Blue Star Connection
- ▶ 28 day loan
- Accept donations
- ▶ We have:
  - ▶ 5 acoustic guitars
  - ▶ 2 keyboards
  - ▶ 2 ukuleles
  - ▶ Banjo
  - ▶ Mandolin
  - Electric guitar
  - ▶ Bass guitar

#### Museum Passes

- ▶ 8 passes in our collection
- ▶ 7 day loan
- Applicable to 4 family members
- Can visit any of the Association of Science Technology Centers affiliates, including:
  - Kentucky Science Center (Louisville, KY)
  - ▶ The Living Arts and Science Museum (Lexington, KY)
  - National Museum of Natural History (District of Columbia)
  - American Museum of Natural History (New York, NY)
- Friends of the Library provides funding

### Seed Library

- Partner with local organizations
  - Western Kentucky Botanical Gardens
  - Green River Area Extension Master Gardener Association
  - Owensboro Herbs Society
- The seed library launched with 120 seed types and 3,000 seeds in stock
- Accept donations
- Allows library to become food partner to the community



## Laptops Anytime



- ▶ 3 hour check out
- ▶ \$15 overdue fee
- Laptop checked out with card, pin number, and user agreement
- A picture is taken of the patron for security purposes

## Gym Passes

- Passes provide basic trial membership for patrons and / or patron's families for 14 days
- User agreement protects library from liability
- Initiative started in order to promote healthy living the in the community



### Roku Streaming Sticks



- ▶ 5 available for check out
- ▶ 7 day loan period
- Access to popular apps including Netflix, Prime Video, and Hulu
- Access to library sponsored app Hoopla Digital

## Wi-Fi Hotspots

- Received through TechSoup
- ▶ 7 day loan
- Connect to local Sprint towers
- ► Connect up to 10 devices



## Telescopes



- Gskyer brand telescopes
- ▶ 14 day loan
- ▶ 1 dollar overdue fee

#### Maker Carts and Maker Kits



- Children's maker carts that include markers, crayons, clay, tape – all of the staples of making arts and crafts.
- The maker cart is brought out on days when we have a high number of children in our youth services area.
- Teen maker kits can be checked out to any teen or adult with a library card.
- The kits can be taken anywhere in the library as long as it is returned before closing time

#### Brain Boxes

- Started as an initiative to assist teachers with core content
- Six different brain boxes:
  - ► Earth (grades 3-5)
  - ► Earth (grades 6-8)
  - ► Economics (grades K-3)
  - ► Economics (grades 4-8)
  - ▶ US Government (grades 2-4)
  - ▶ US Government (grades 5-7)



# Additional non-traditional collections

- Puzzles
- ▶ Blu-rays
- Video Games
- ▶ iPads
- Raspberry Pi kits

## Why add non-traditional collections?

- Non-traditional collections allow libraries the opportunity to become education, health, and food partner to their community
- Non-traditional collections can introduce new and innovative technology to a community
- Non-traditional collections attract patrons who otherwise would not come to a library

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