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Bookmobile is Back!

...And better than ever! That's right, there's a new kid in town. The MCPLS bookmobile is brand new with a new look and more space for your favorite titles! The mobile branch of the Marion County Public Library System has been on the road since mid-December. Some of the new features are an automatic door, and a new handicap accessible lift. The bookmobile is easily recognizable with our characteristic open book logo on the side. Lynn, Don, and Nick have been working very hard moving books, magazines, and DVDs in preparation of their maiden voyage.



Warm Up With a Good Book

The snow is falling, the temperatures are dropping, and all you want to do is snuggle by the fire with a good book. Why not read to win, with the Marion County Public Library's adult winter reading program for 18-up.

Adults can stop in at the library to pick up their Hot Reads for Cold Nights reading packet anytime beginning January 6th. Read any book of your choice, fill out a reading log, and drop it off in the fireplace in the lobby. Each log tossed in the fire gets you one entry to win some great prizes. Program runs January 6-February 28. Five winners will be randomly selected on April 1st.

The teen winter reading program will begin in February. Visit our website at www.mcpls.org, or check out our Facebook page, Pinterest, or Twitter page.

Director's Spotlight



Erika Reed, Director



RECOMMENDED AWARD-WINNING FILMS SERIES, #3

This month, I would like to highlight two unconventional movies of inspiration and family. In *A Beautiful Mind*, Best Picture Oscar winner of 2001, the film portrays the struggle and triumph of brilliant mathematician, and West Virginia native, John Nash. While he struggles with mental illness throughout most of his life, he overcomes obstacles to create discoveries that have shaped American economics. He is devotedly supported by his wife and family, and the film follows Nash's early education into the later years in his life where he continues to teach complicated math.

The 2007 winner for supporting actor and writing, *Little Miss Sunshine*, is funny, sad, and a film every family can relate to. While traveling to a beauty pageant for their 7 year old daughter, misadventures pave the way as the dysfunctional family learns to accept each other through strange circumstances.

Both films portray not so perfect families and their attempts to cope with the less than ideal situation. From those struggles they are able to create beautiful lasting moments. I recommend both films for a cozy winter day, wrapped in a cozy blanket, to create a moment of inspiration to bolster those winter blues.

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Raymond Stoker and

During the Month of January, the Marion County Public Library exhibition room will be the site of selected works by local artist Raymond Stoker and architect Andrew C. Lyons. On loan from WVU's MPA instructor Mr. Raymond Alvarez, the collection showcases the works of these native West Virginians.

Raymond Stoker moved to Fairmont in the 1920s, becoming a leading artistic figure, painter, and portrait photographer in the area. Andrew C. Lyons moved to Fairmont in 1892. After successfully opening his architecture firm, Lyons participated in the design of many buildings that still exist today. http://tinyurl.com/kjrtzyz.

The exhibition will be available for viewing during regular library hours through the month of January, 2014.

The Marion County Public Library in Fairmont is interested in hosting Young Artist Exhibits. Schools and Preschools in the Marion County area with active art programs that would be interested in showing their works should contact Julie Mike at 304-366-1210, or via email at jmike@mcpls.org All 2D art-

work should be ready for hanging with wire or twine. No 'alligator' clips. Tables are available for sculptures, 3D mixed media works, etc. Display time for students' work will be two weeks. Arrangements can be made for a Parent's Night showing.

Any artists interested in displaying their work are encouraged to apply for display times and space.

Playaways

Audio

Andrew's Brain by E. L. Doctorow Dark Bites by Sherrilyn Kenyon Fear Nothing by Lisa Gardner Impossible Knife of Memory by Laurie Anderson Switchblade by Michael Connelly That Old Black Magic by Mary Jane Clark

Views

Pop Goes Sesame Street Music and Performance Sid the Science Kid: Technology & Engineering Stories About Families

Bestsellers Expected in January

Print

Carthage by Joyce Carol Oates Cell by Robin Cook First Love by James Patterson Like a Mighty Army by David Weber The Pagan Lord by Bernard Cornwell River Road by Jayne Ann Krentz Robert B Parker's Bull River by Robert Knott Stand Up Guy by Stuart Woods The Unwelcome Child by V. C. Andrews The Way of All Fish by Martha Grimes

Large Print

Critical Mass by Sara Paresky **Dust** by Patricia Cornwell Fifteen Minutes by Karen Kingsbury Innocence by Dean Koontz The Letter of the Law by Rita Mae Brown The Minor Adjustment Beauty Salon by Alexander McCall Smith

Silent Night by Robert B Parker Standup Guy by Stuart Woods Stitches by Anne Lamott

DVDs

20 Feet From Stardom Blue Jasmine Captain Phillips Carrie Cloudy 2 **Enough Said**

Fast & Furious 6 The Fifth State Fruitvale Station I'm in Love with a Church The Spectacular Now Girl **Insidious 2**

Kick Ass 2 The Butler **Short Term** Thanks for Sharing You're Next

Marion County Public Library

321 Monroe Street, Fairmont, WV 26554 304-366-1210

Winnie the Pooh Day

In celebration of one of literature's most beloved bears, the library will have a special program Saturday, January 18th. The celebration that falls on creator A. A. Milne's birthday will feature many activities throughout the day. Starting at 1:00 p.m., children are

encouraged to bring in their favorite stuffed animal to enjoy cake and drinks at our Teddy Bear Picnic. Coloring sheets, activities, and games will also be going on with a Winnie the Pooh theme.

At 2:00 p.m., the movie, Winnie the Pooh, a Very Merry Pooh Year will be shown. We're welcoming in the New Year as well as celebrating Pooh's birthday! We look forward to seeing you as we remember this beloved stuffed bear that has brought enjoyment to children for many years.

Check Mate!

The Teen Chess Club will meet on January 4th from 10:00-2:00 p.m. Open to all teens in grades 6-12. Join us for chess, snacks, and fun.

Getting' Mug-y With It

For January's teen Crafternoon, we're making DIY sharpie mugs. All materials will be supplied. Space is limited, so registration is required. Please call or visit the library to sign-up. Meeting takes place January 6th at 4:30 p.m.

Turn Found Objects into Art

Our adult craft class will take place on Monday, January 13th at 4:00 p.m. We will be making a 'Found' Object Picture. Bring a collection of old charms,

keys, rings, buttons, miniature doll house accessories, small cutouts, anything small that you have lying around and don't mind gluing to a background, and we'll turn them into a lovely one of a kind picture to brighten any room in your home. This class is free and open to adults 18-up. Space is limited, so call the library at 304-366-1210 or stop in to sign up.



WVREADs 150+

It's starting again! Join MCPLS as we participate in WVREADs 150+. This year's challenge is to read more than 150 books in any format. No limit on the number of team members, and the team with the most titles will win a prize! Pick up your registration packet at any Marion County Library location or call 304-366-1210 for more information

MCPLS Bookmobile

ROUTE SCHEDULE Fall/Winter 2013*
MONDAY

Bright Beginnings Daycare: 9:30-10:30
White Hall, 22 Moran Circle, Rt 73

[2nd & 4th Week]

1st United Methodist Daycare: 11:00-12:00

Monongah **Hutchinson: 1:00-1:45**

Woodlands Assisted Living Stepping Stone, Inc.: 3:45-4:45

East Grafton Road

TUESDAY

Grant Town: 9:30-10:30
Community Center lot

Fairmont Senior Center: 11:00-12:00

Maplewood Drive [1st & 3rd Week]

Heart Junction Child Care: 10:30-11:30

Rivesville

[2nd & 4th Week]

Pierpont Laboratory Preschool: 1:30-2:30

FSU Campus [2nd & 4th Week]

Disability Action Center: 2:30-3:30

102 Benoni Ave [2nd Week]

Wishing Well/ Genesis: 2:30-3:30

Country Club Road [1st & 3rd Week]

East Park Boys & Girls Club: 3:45-4:45

East Park Elementary [1st & 3rd Week]

Watson Elem: Country Club Road

[2nd & 4th Week]

WEDNESDAY

Whitehall: 9:00-10:00 Middletown Mall

Pleasant Valley: 10:30-11:30

Valley Chapel United Meth. Lot

NASA IV & V: 12:00-1:00

Back parking lot

[1st & 3rd Week]

Wonderland Learning: 12:00-1:00

Mannington

[2nd & 4th & 5th Week]

Bunner Ridge: 2:30-3:30

Sagebrush Roundup lot
[1st & 3rd Week]

Boys & Girls Club: 3:45-4:45

Blackshere Elementary
[2nd & 4th Week]

THURSDAY

Sunbeam Child Care: 11:00-12:00 Mary Lou Retton Drive

Rock Lake: 2:00-3:00

Community Center

Colfax: 3:30-4:30

Community Center *schedule subject to change, call 304-366-1210

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Mannington Public Library

109 Clarksburg Street, Mannington, WV 26582 304-986-2803

Winter Break for Kids' story times

We will begin the spring session a little earlier this year, the first week in February. If your child attended the fall session, you do not need to register. Anyone interested in Toddler Time, Mondays at 10:30, or Story Hour on Tuesdays or Wednesdays at 10:30, please call the library at 304-986-2803.

Patron Reading Lounge with Wi-fi

We have been moving books, painting walls, and adding seating for our patrons. Comfy sofas and a reading lamp create a relaxed reading environment with free Wi-fi access. Please come, sit, enjoy!

Remember When...Exhibit

Remembering the good old days...do you sometimes find yourself looking back to the days while you were growing up and comparing them to the present? All of those things that you thought were the greatest inventions, but are no longer in use today. Times are always changing and we change with them.

The Mannington Public Library would like to share some of those favorite items or pictures you have from the 1970's and earlier. Bring any nostalgic items to the library to help us reminisce. The items and pictures will be put on display throughout the library January 21-February 1.

After-School Holiday Craft

Too cold to play outside? Join us after school on January 22nd for an after-school craft session. We're creating pendants for chains and charm bracelets. Please sign up, limited space and crafting materials are available.

Blackshere Pizza Parties

We're celebrating Blackshere's 1st grade class through the month of January. Every time a first grader visits the library and checks out material in any format, we will add a designated pizza topping to our bulletin board. The Homeroom with the most toppings at the end of the month will win a pizza party. They will also spin the wheel for prizes on each visit.

Monday Knitters

Knitting isn't just hats and sweaters! The knitting group share fun patterns—toys, handbags, socks, etc. We knit all year long and welcome all from the novice to the advanced knitter. Join us on Mondays at the library starting at 4:30 p.m.

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Fairview Public Library

500 Main Street, Fairview, WV 26570 304-449-1021

There's Snow Place Like the Library

The fall semester's over, and holiday events have come to an end. But, that means it's time for Mrs. Alicia's Snow-flake Celebration at the Fairview Library. We will be offering story time, craft time, games, and a snack on January 14th from 11:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m. Call or stop in at the library to sign up! We will also be featuring our monthly coloring workshop-Warm up with a Good Book.

Cozy and Warm

Teens can get a double dose of movie mania at the library in January. On January 7th at 3:30 p.m., Mrs. Linda will be featuring New Moon as the first of our two After School Movies. On January 17th, we will be showing Eclipse at 12:30 p.m. Both movies are available to patrons ages 12-18. Space is limited so registration is required. Popcorn and drinks will be provided.

Trivia buffs can join us on January 30th from 9:00 a.m.— 4:00 p.m. for our monthly contest, What Do You Know About That? Patrons ages 14-up are eligible to participate, and the patron with the most correct answers wins a prize!

Also, our book clubs return for discussion in January, and be sure to put in your best guess at the Circulation Desk for our featured drawing, Winter Snowglobe. The patron who comes closest to guessing the number of items in the globe without going over wins the container!

January is National Soup Month

Try this tasty crock-pot recipe we found on *Pinterest!* It's a great way to warm up during the cold weather!

Cheesy Potato Soup

Ingredients:

6 med. Potatoes, peeled and chopped

2 ½ cups water

½ cup chopped onion

2 teas. Instant chicken bouillon granules

1/4 teas. Ground black pepper

1 ½ cups shredded American cheese

1 12-oz can evaporated milk

Cooked, crumbled bacon

Sliced green onions (optional)

In a 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ or 4 quart slow cooker, combine potatoes, water, onion, bouillon granules, and pepper. Cover, cook on low setting 8 - 9 hours or on high setting 4 - 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ hours.

Stir cheese and milk into mixture in cooker. Cover, cook on low heat for 1 hour more, or high heat for 30 minutes more. For a thicker soup, mash potatoes slightly. Sprinkle each serving with bacon and green onions.



Marion County Public Library System Calendar of Events

Marion County Public Library

Jan 1: Library ClosedJan 4: Teen Chess ClubJan 6: Teen Crafternoon

Jan 7,14,21,28: Affordable Care Act Counseling 9:00-5:30

Jan 6-Feb 28: Adult Winter Reading Program

Jan 14: Adult craft class

Jan 15: Book It!

Jan 18: Happy Birthday Pooh!
 Showing: A Very Merry Pooh Years

Jan 20: Library closed

Jan 27: Awesome Readers' Club

Fairview Branch

Jan 1: Library closed

Jan 2-31: Warm up with a Good Book Col. Wkshp

Jan 2-31: Winter Snowglobe Guessing Game

• Jan 7: Teens After School Movie-New Moon

Jan 7,14,21,28: Tuesday Knitters

• Jan 14: Snowflake Celebration

Jan 17: Teens After School Movie-Eclipse

Jan 20: Library closed

Jan 28: Speaking of Books

Jan 30: What Do You Know About That? Trivia

Jan 31: Page Turners

Mannington Branch

Jan 6,13,27: Knitting group @ 4:30

Jan 3,10,17,24,31: Friends Book sale 10:00-4:00

Jan 4,11,18,25: Friends Book sale 9:00-1:00

Jan 16: Cover2Cover

Jan 20: Library Closed

Jan 21-Feb 1: Remember When exhibit

Jan 22: After-school Pendant craft

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New E-Books

9th Judgment by James Patterson
I Am the Chosen King by Helen Hollick
Darius by Grace Bussowed
Fan Mail by P. D. Martin
Forbidden by Leanna Ellis
Highland Heat by Mary Wine
Hunting Kat by Kelley Armstrong
The Lighthouse Road by Peter Geye
My Mistake by Daniel Menaker
One Way Ticket by William G. Tapply
Reign of Error by Diane Ravitch
Shadow Warrior by Randall B. Whoods
When I was Puerto Rican by Esmeralda Santiago
You Suck: A Love Story by Christopher Moore
Young Men and Fire by Norman Maclean

New E-Audio Books

City of Fallen Angels by Cassandra Clare
Command Authority by Tom Clancy
The Death of Santini by Pat Conroy
Edge of Apocalypse by Tim LaHaye
The Fall of the Governor by Robert Kirkman
Fool by Christopher Moore
Ghost Town by Rachel Caine
Home Run by Travis Thrasher
Ketchup Clouds by Annabel Pitcher
Kiss of Death by Rachel Caine
Treasure Hunt by James Patterson
Wait Till Next Year by Doris Kearns

New Audio Books

Blind Side by Fern Michaels
Carthage by Joyce Carol Oates
Cell by Robin Cook
Dark Bites by Sherrilyn Kenyon
Dark Wolf by Christine Feehan
Fear Nothing by Lisa Gardner
Midnight Rainbow by Linda Howard
No Ordinary Man by Suzanne Brockman
Ripper by Suzanne Brockman
Standup Guy by Stuart Woods

Marion LiBearian The Town Librarian Savs...

Hello All!

2014 is here! Let's all strive to make it a great year for everyone. We have all your holiday resources to help vou attain your resolutions.

Having my nephews Manny and Farris around has been a complete joy this holiday season and turns out they'll be sticking around for good. I look forward to spending time with them and seeing what wondrous adventures we go on in the upcoming year.

Did you get some new devices for Christmas? The library is fully equiped to assist you with your phone, tablets, laptops, and other needs when it comes to downloading materials. We have a wide selection of books, music, movies, and more that can be downloaded to your personal devices by simply using your library card. Our staff is ready to show you how to fully utilize our resources. Ringing in the new year with the library is an excellent way to kick off 2014. We look

forward to assisting you in all your library needs this year.

Marion LiBearian, the Town Librarian



Fairmont

Book It! will meet on Wednesday, January 15, 2014 at 6:00 to discuss The Lacuna by Barbara Kingsolver.



BARBARA Harrison Shepherd, the product of an American father and Mexican mother, is kicked out of his American military academy. He grows up in Mexico, later moving to

Asheville, N.C., where he writes historical novels, and is later investigated as a possible subversive. The novel achieves a rare dramatic power that reaches its emotional peak when Harrison wittily and eloquently defends himself before the House Un-American Activities Committee (on the panel is a young Dick Nixon). ~ Amazon

Book It! is excepting new members. Those interested can contact Julie at 304-366-1210 for more information.

The Awesome Readers' Club will meet January 27th, 4:30 p.m. to discuss Ashes by Ilsa J. Bick.

Alex, a resourceful seventeen-year -old running from her incurable

brain tumor; Tom, who has left the war in Afghanistan; and Ellie, an angry eight-yearold, join forces after an electromagnetic pulse sweeps through the sky and kills most of

the world's population, turning some of those who remain into zombies and giving the others superhuman senses.

ARC is open to teens in grades 6-12. Sign-up at the MCPL circulation desk to join and receive a copy of this month's book.

Fairview

Page Turners resumes January 31st with Time is a River by Mary Alice Monroe.

Breast cancer survivor Mia Landan returns home to find her hus-

band in bed with another woman. Mia asks Belle Carson if she can stay in her cabin. Her healing begins with a long-forgotten diary of Kate Watkins who used to live in the cabin. A broken woman rediscovers her sense of self worth in this moving work ~Amazon

Speaking of Books resumes January 28th, when we will discuss Billy Creekmore by Billy Creekmore Tracey Porter.

Ten-year-old Billy's story begins in a Dickensian orphanage, where being pawned off to a local glass fac-

tory is one of the few routes out. Billy looks forward to working, until his pal runs away after being disfigured at the factory and discloses its real conditions ~Amazon



Cover 2 Cover will meet Thursday, January 16th at 1:30 to discuss Sometimes a Great Notion by Ken Kesey.

A bitter strike is raging in a small lumber town along the Oregon coast. Bucking that strike out of sheer cussedness are the Stampers: Henry, the fiercely vital and overpowering patriarch; Hank, the

son who has spent his life trying to live up to his sometimes father; and Viv. who fell in love with Hank's exuberant machismo but now finds it wearing thin. And there is Leland,

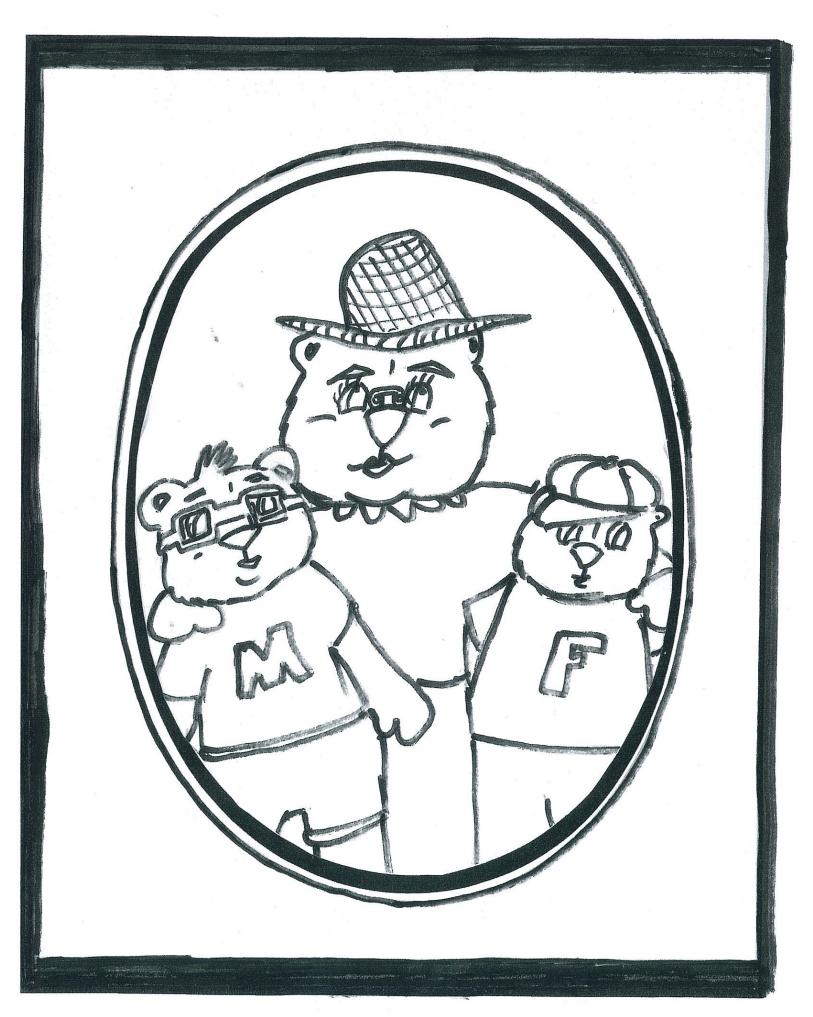
Henry's bookish younger son, who returns to his family on a mission of vengeance . ~Amazon

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Each library branch in our system has its own Friends of the Library group. These wonderful volunteers help with library programming, run our book sales, raise money for library supplies and equipment, and work tire-lessly for the good of our staff and patrons. They are always looking for new members with a little extra time who are interested in working with some great people.

If you are interested in joining the Friends group, please contact your preferred branch below for information on yearly membership dues. Detach this form and mail it along with your dues (\$25: Patron, \$5: Individual) to the appropriate address. Your help and participation would be greatly appreciated!

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