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National Recreation And Parks Month

In addition to celebrating our Independence on July 4th, this month is also National Recreation and Parks Month. Marion County has plenty of attractions to entertain, relax, and delight. Try your hand at miniature golf at the Coal Country Miniature Golf & Batting Cages, Valley Worlds of Fun or at East Marion Complex. If you'd rather relax poolside, we offer Mannington Pool, East Marion Wave Pool, 12th Street Pool, and the newest addition, a splash pool at the newly remodeled Palatine Park. Marion County also boasts numerous rail trails for the bike enthusiast, jogger, or dog walker. Bunner Ridge Riding Association gives families a chance to enjoy our equine friends with a camping and trails for horses and hikers.

If you enjoy sitting by the river waiting for that 'big catch', why not spend a day at Dents Run Wildlife Management Area, Marion County Youth Fishing Park, or Curtisville Lake?

Other attractions include a BMX Park, Disc Golf Course, Skateboard Park, Skate-a-Way roller rink, SOL Billiards, Water Skeeterz pontoon boat rentals, or pack a lunch and enjoy the natural beauty of Valley Falls State Park, Morris Park, Windmill Park, Worthington Park, or Hutchinson Park.

If you want a little more excitement and thrills, spend a day at Valley Worlds of Fun, which offers everything from mountain climbing to giant slides, to water bumper boats to bowling to classic arcade-style games.

It's all right here in Marion County. Enjoy!

Director's Spotlight



Erika Reed,
Director



GOODBYE BEST FRIEND OF THE LIBRARY

The Library Board of Trustees and I will deeply miss one of our most dedicated library supporters as she retires after more than 35 years from our service. Ruth Ann Burns will be remembered for years to come as our dedicated accountant who saw the library through thick and thin, with her wonderful advice and careful guidance as the library tackled the ups and downs of funding throughout her many years of service. She has helped us grow throughout the lean years and had been a strong rock though the introduction of our first levy more than three decades ago. She will not admit it, but her guidance and advice have shaped many successful library programs and I relied on her for many suggestions on securing funding. Though only a few staff ever had the chance to speak with her as often as our administrative secretary Joyce and I did, *everyone* benefited from her hard work and dedication every week.

We all wish her the very best and much enjoyment, and we are happy that she plans to stay in touch as she begins a much deserved, relaxing retirement. Thank you very much Ruth Ann, you will be terribly missed and no words can really express how much you have meant to the Marion County Public Library System, to the Board of Trustees, or to me. You are truly one of the best library supporters we have ever known and a shining example of what it means to support your community.

Special Features

National Exhibit to visit library

On display June 2 - August 31, the Marion County Public Library is hosting Brain Teasers 2, a national interactive exhibit on loan from The Oregon Museum of Science and Industry. The exhibit will be open to the public from 10:00-12:00, and 3:00-7:00 Mondays and Tuesdays; 10:00-12:00 and 1:00-5:00 Wednesdays - Fridays; and 9:30-3:30 on Saturdays.

Brain Teasers 2 features a variety of intriguing brain teasers—from mathematical conundrums to mind-boggling block puzzles—for visitors of all ages. To solve these puzzles, visitors use creative-thinking and problem-solving strategies, such as looking for patterns, logical reasoning, thinking ahead, setting aside preconceived ideas, and looking at problems



from different perspectives. Over twenty puzzles will delight and challenge visitors to think outside the box.

Playaways

Audio

Everything I Never Told You by Celeste Ng
The Girls of August by Anne Rivers Siddons
The Heist by Daniel Silva
The Initiate by Veronica Roth
If I Leave You by Courtney Cole
Love by Degree by Debbie Macomber
The Perfect Hope by Nora Roberts
A Perfect Life by Danielle Steel
Remains of Innocence by J. A. Jance
Sight Unseen by Iris Johansen
The Silken Web by Sandra Brown
The Son by Veronica Roth
The Sweet Spot by Stephanie Evanovich
The Traitor by Veronica Roth

Views

Crocs and Cousins
How'd they Build that Fire Truck?
Meet the Sight Words 1
Sesame Street Cooking and Learning with Elmo

Bestsellers Expected in July

Print

Born of Fury by Sherrilyn Kenyon
In City by Dean R. Koontz
Cut and Thrust by Stuart Woods
The Death of Pie by Tamar Myers
Eden in Winter by Richard North Patterson
Fast Track by Julie Garwood
For All Time by Jude Deveraux
The Girls of August by Anne Rivers Siddons
Last to Know by Elizabeth Adler
Last Orders by Harry Turtledove
New Frontiers by Ben Bova
The Night Searchers by Marcia Muller
A Perfect Life by Danielle Steel
Power Play by Catherine Coulter
Remains of Innocence by J. A. Jance
Sight Unseen by Iris Johansen
Texas True by Janet Dailey
Tom Clancy's Support and Defend
by Mark Greaney
Wayfaring Stranger by James Lee Burke

Large Print

The Escape by Mary Balogh
Field of Prey by John Sandford
For All Time by Jude Deveraux
A Long Time Gone by Karen White
Mr. Mercedes by Stephen King
The One and Only by Emily Griffin
Private L A by James Patterson
The Red Room by Ridley Pearson
Resistant by Michael Palmer
Unlucky Thirteen by James Patterson

DVDs

<i>Against the Grain</i>	<i>The Other Woman</i>
<i>Dragonwolf</i>	<i>Rio 2</i>
<i>Heaven is for Real</i>	<i>Scavenger Killers</i>
<i>Noah</i>	<i>The Single Mom's Club</i>
<i>Non-Stop</i>	

Marion County Public Library

321 Monroe Street, Fairmont, WV 26554

304-366-1210

Fizz, Boom, Read!

Our kids' summer reading program for those entering K-5th grade begins June 30th at 2:00 with our annual puppet show. Weekly classes will include games, crafts, and stories. The program also includes special presentations open to the entire family. Join us Friday, July 11th at 2:00 p.m. for West Virginia Rocks! Presented by the WV Geological Survey Department. On Monday, July 21st at 2:00 we welcome the Carnegie Science Center as they present Colossal Fossil Fuels!, and on Friday, August 1st at 2:00 we are happy to revisit the Hampstead Theater Company with their production of The Legend of King Arthur. These events are free and open to the public! For more information, contact the library at 304-366-1210 or visit our website!

Literary Elements

There is still time to sign up for our Adult Summer Reading Program. Packets are available at the circulation desk. Read as much as you can and complete your reading log. Additional logs are available at the library. Three winners will be drawn from the top readers on September 2 and will receive ereaders. Participation is limited to 50, so stop in today to get started.

Elements of Fairy Gardens

On July 21st at 5:00 p.m. our adult craft class will be creating a fairy garden. Please bring a container for your garden, miniature furniture, a fairy, anything you would like in your garden. Plants and dirt will be provided. For inspiration, check out 'fairy gardens' on www.pinterest.com, or just do an internet search for fairy gardens. Lots of great ideas! Class is limited to 10, so advance registration is required.

Get Your Read On!

Spark a Reaction!, the Teen Summer Reading Program at MCPL, is officially under way in July. If you registered, you can pick up your packet at the library circulation desk. Keep close track of what you read throughout the month in your reading log. Whoever reads the most books, wins! Read 5 books and you'll receive an invitation to the Awards Party and a prize. We will also have a ton of activities planned: LEGO robotics, weekly movies, and crafts. Some activities require additional registration. Call or visit the library to sign up.

Three chances to get some great books!

The Friends of the Library will hold three sales this month. Stop by Saturday, July 12, 26 from 9:00-3:00, or Wednesday, July 16 from 11:00-2:00.

MCPLS Bookmobile

ROUTE SCHEDULE *Summer* *

MONDAY

Bright Beginnings Daycare: 9:30-10:30
White Hall, 22 Moran Circle, Rt 73
[2nd & 4th Week]

Monongah Park Trailhead: 11:00-12:00
Monongah

Hutchinson: 1:00-1:45
Woodlands Assisted Living

Little Rascals Childcare: 2:15-3:15
Farmington

TUESDAY

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

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]

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]

Bunner Ridge: 2:30-3:30
Sagebrush Roundup lot
[1st & 3rd Week]

THURSDAY

Sunbeam Child Care: 10:00-11:00
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

Fizz, Boom, Read

Children participating in the Fizz, Boom, Read! Summer reading program will become Mad Children participating in the Science Share Fair on July 7th at 5:30. Children are asked to research and try a science experiment and bring it with them to the library. Participants will judge each other's experiments and prizes will be awarded. Miss Jami will also have drawings for the KindleFire and other fun prizes. Children do not have to be present to win.

Tutoring

Success! Due to the popularity of the Saturday morning tutoring program, it will be extended through July. We have great volunteers willing to help your elementary students with reading and math. Please contact the library for scheduling at 304-986-2803.

Spark a Reaction

Based on the TV series, young adults, 5th grade and up participating in the Spark a Reaction summer reading program will be playing Silent Library on July 7th at 11:00 a.m. Teammates will try to remain very hushed as the impose unimaginable, beyond hysterical stunts on one another.

REMINDER: Science Fair Projects are due July 21st.

Literary Elements

We have forty adults vying for the coveted iPad in our Literary Elements summer reading program. Participants are reminded to meet challenges and check out books in any format to enter for the drawing in August.

Movie Night at the Library

Grab a ticket! We will be featuring Rio 2 at 5:30, July 28. Everyone is welcome. Refreshments will be provided.

Friends Book Sale

We're receiving boxes and boxes of new donations on a regular basis now. If you're looking for books in great condition, check us out on Fridays from 10:00-4:00 and Saturdays from 9:00-1:00.

Fairview Public Library

500 Main Street, Fairview, WV 26570

304-449-1021

Summer's End

Mrs. Alicia's *Fizz, Boom, Read!* Classes conclude on July 2nd and 3rd with a look at Science and the Arts. And, putting the finishing touches on another successful program, Susan McGinley from the West Virginia Library Commission will return on July 9th for two sessions as our featured storyteller. Our Cook-a-Book *Season's Eatings, Season's Readings* classes also come to an end in July. On July 1st, we will be celebrating summer with games, fun, and food at the Fairview Community Park. It will be an *Olympic* event! Also, our featured coloring workshop will be *Hot Books, Cool Stories*.

Amusing Displays

While visiting the Fairview Public Library this July, check out our entryway display. In addition to being the month we gained our American independence, July is also Amusement Parks Month. Why not stop in and take out a movie such as Jurassic Park, The Way, Way Back, or Grown-ups? Adults can enjoy such books as Stephen King's Joyland, Karen Russell's Swamplandia, or Robert B. Parker's Wonderland, and children can get lost in the pages of the picture book The Secret Box while older readers discover The Kingdom Keepers series with Disney After Dark, Disney at Dawn, and others.

This year our monthly trivia contest What Do You Know About That?, will be extended into the summer months. Drop by on July 31st from 9:00-4:00 and test your wits on history, sports, and general knowledge questions. If you're the contestant with the most correct answers, you'll win a prize! Patrons ages 14-up are eligible to participate. We will also be featuring our monthly guessing game at the Circulation Desk. Come in and submit a guess for the Firecracking Fireballs jar. Entries will be collected from July 1-31, and the person who guesses the closest without going over wins the jar.

The Friends of the Fairview Public Library will be holding their summer book sale from July 7-12 during regular library hours. There are thousands of great titles that will help make your summer down-time more enjoyable. Stop by and get a book, audiobook, or movie at a bargain price!



Marion County Public Library System

Calendar of Events

Marion County Public Library

- July 2: LEGO Robotics. 2:00
- July 3,10, 17, 24,31: Teen Summer Movie. 2:00
- July 4: Closed
- July 11: WV Rocks! Program. 2:00
- July 12: Movie in the Park. The LEGO movie
- July 12, 26: Friends Book Sale. 9:00-3:00
- July 16: Bouncy Ball Craft
- July 16: Friends Book Sale. 11:00-2:00
- July 21: Colossal Fossil Fuels! Program. 2:00
- July 21: Adult Craft Class
- July 28: Magic 8-Ball Craft
- July 28: Awesome Readers' Club
- Aug 1: The Hampstead Stage Co. King Arthur. 2:00

Fairview Branch

- July 1-31: Coloring Workshop
- July 1-31: Firecracking Fireballs Guessing Game
- July 1: Cook-a-Book Finale
- July 1,8,15,22,29: Tuesday Nite Knitters
- July 2: Kids' Summer Reading Session
- July 3: Kids' Summer Reading Session
- July 4: Closed
- July 7-12: Friends of the Library Book Sale
- July 9: SRP Finale with Susan McGinley
- July 22: Speaking of Books
- July 31: What do you know about that? Trivia

Mannington Branch

- July 4: Closed
- July 7,14,21,28: Knitting Group @ 4:30
- July 7: Spark a Reaction: Silent Library @ 11:00
- July 7: Fizz, Boom, Read Science Share Fair @ 5:30
- July 11, 18, 25: Friends Book Sale 10:00-4:00
- July 5, 12, 19, 26: Friends Book Sale 9:00-1:00
- July 5,12,19,26: Reading & Math tutoring
- July 17: Cover2Cover Book Club
- July 21: Spark a Reaction: Science Fair Proj. Due
- July 28: Movie Night @ 5:30. Rio 2

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New E-Books

A Baby for the Doctor by Jacqueline Diamond
Backwoods by Jill Sorenson
Between Husbands by Nancy Thayer
The Bodyguard by Lena Diaz
Casebook by Mona Simpson
The District by Carol Ericson
Executive Execution by Jennifer Morey
Heather's Song by Diana Palmer
Latimer's Law by Mel Sterling
Lawless by Helenkay Dimon
Love Takes All by J. M. Jeffries

New E-Audio Books

Air Bound by Christine Feehan
Devil to Pay by Jeaniene Frost
The Fever by Megan Abbott
Lady Luck by Kristen Ashley
The Lincoln Myth by Steve Berry
The One and Only by Emily Griffin
Shattered by Kevin Hearne
Sixth Grave on the Edge by Darynda Jones
Sweet Dreams by Kristen Ashley
Those Who Wish Me Dead by Michael Koryta
Top Secret Twenty-One by Janet Evanovich

New Audio Books

The City by Dean Koontz
Close Your Eyes, Hold Hands
by Chris Bohjalian
Cut and Thrust by Stuart Woods
Dead by Dusk by Heather Graham
Deserve to Die by Lisa Jackson
The Family of Jesus by Karen Kingsbury
Fast Track by Julie Garwood
Invincible by Diana Palmer
Last Orders by Harry Turtledove
A Perfect Life by Danielle Steel
Ramains of Innocence by J. A. Jance
Sight Unseen by Iris Johansen
Support and Defend by Tom Clancy
Swan Point by Sherryl Woods
Wayfaring Stranger by James Lee Burke

Marion LiBearian The Town Librarian Says...

Hello All!

Well, Summer Reading is in full swing! Such a wonderful time, the library just comes alive with the joy of children. This summer's theme is fantastic! Science fun is all around, from dinosaurs to rocks. My nephews Farris and Manny are enjoying this summer theme, they are both so inquisitive and love to try the science experiments.

Summer is also vacation time. Don't forget the library is here to assist you on those long road trips with plenty of audiovisuals. And don't forget to take a book with you to the beach or pooside.

There are tons of things to do this summer, fun in the sun and the library!

Marion LiBearian, the Town Librarian



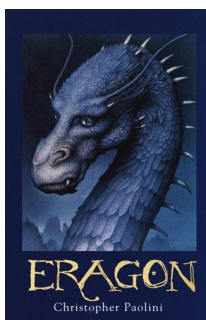
Fairmont

Book It! Is taking a hiatus for the summer months. It's a perfect time for you to join our adult summer reading program going on now at all library locations. In Fairmont, stop by, present your library card, and ask for our free packet.

You will receive a great tote back with some neat 'goodies' inside. Read as much as you can, fill out your reading logs and turn them in by August 31. Extra logs are available at circulation throughout the summer months. The top three readers will win first, second, and third place e-readers in September. So sign up today!



The Awesome Readers' Club will meet on July 28th at 2:00 p.m. to discuss *Eragon* by Christopher Paolini.

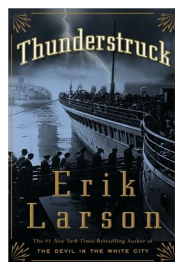


In Aagaesia, a fifteen year-old boy of unknown lineage called Eragon finds a mysterious stone that weaves his life into an intricate tapestry of destiny, magic, and power, peopled with dragons, elves, and monsters.

Fairview

Speaking of Books will meet July 22nd to discuss *Thunderstruck* by Erik Larson.

In *Thunderstruck*, Erik Larson tells the interwoven stories of two men—Hawley Crippen, a very unlikely murderer, and Guglielmo Marconi, the obsessive creator of a seemingly supernatural means of communication—whose lives intersect during one of the greatest criminal chases of all time.~Amazon

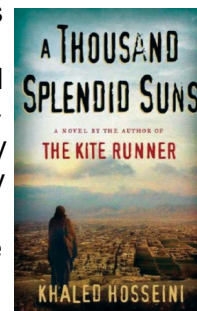


Page Turners will also be on hiatus during the months of June and July. We will continue in August with a brand new title. Stay tuned for more information!

Mannington

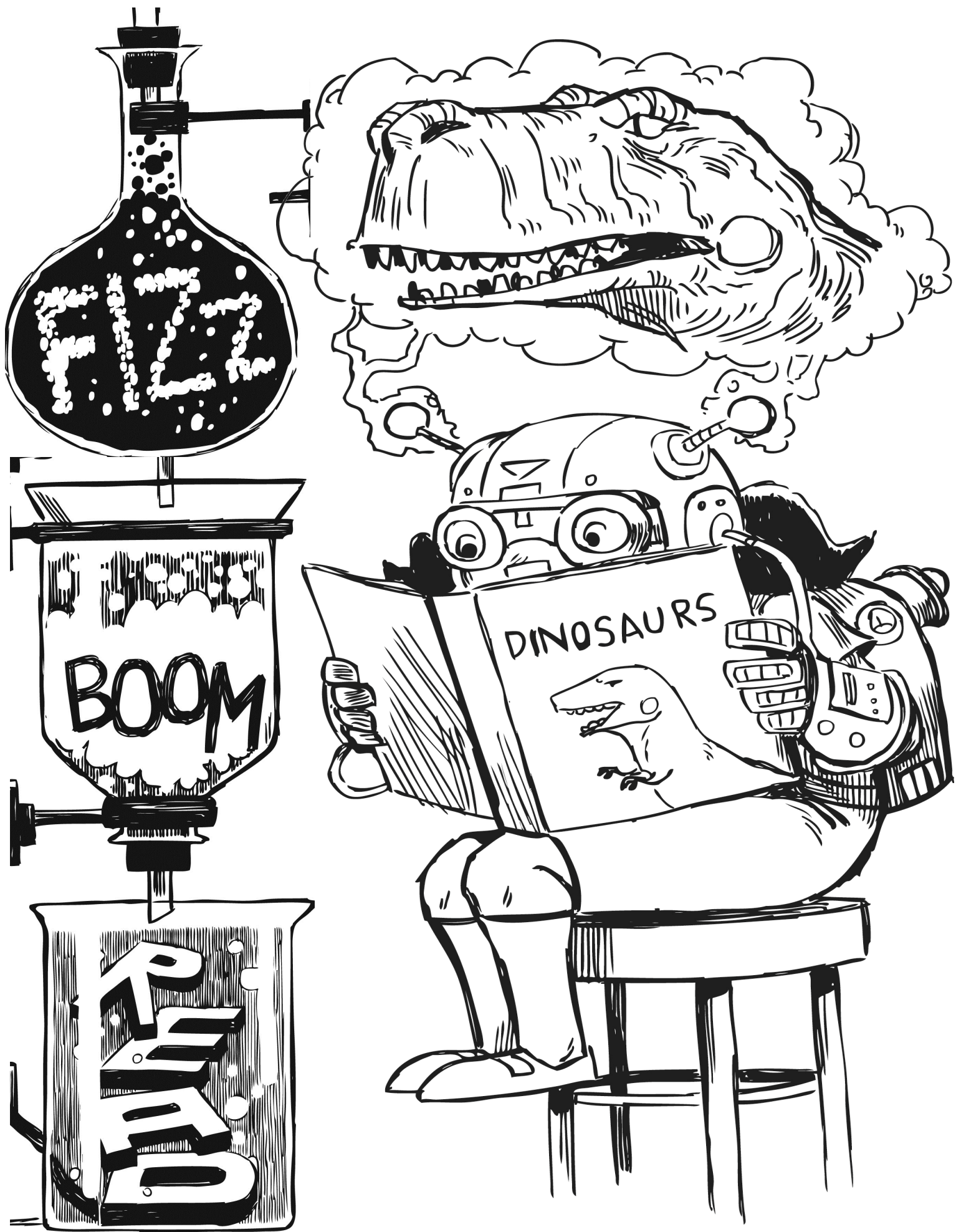
Cover 2 Cover will meet Thursday, July 17th at 1:30 to discuss *A Thousand Splendid Suns* by Khaled Hosseini.

Born a generation apart and with very different ideas about love and family, Mariam and Laila are two women brought jarringly together by war, by loss, and by fate. As they endure the ever escalating dangers around them-in their home as well as in the streets of Kabul-they come to form a bond that makes them both sisters and mother-daughter to each other, and that will ultimately alter the course not just of their own lives but of the next generation.



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You Are Cordially Invited...

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 tirelessly 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!

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____

Email _____



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