

## Grant Town Fire Department Back to School Backyard Bash

The Marion County Public Library System is proud to be a co-sponsor of the Grant Town Volunteer Fire Department's Back to School Backyard Bash!

The event will take place August 15 at the Grant Town Fire Hall from 5 pm to 8 pm.

Join this kid friendly event for food, games, and an all–around good time!





# Fairmont Branch Expands Graphic Novel Section to offer materials for older audiences

The Fairmont branch is proud to unveil their new "Mature Graphic Novel" section, featuring up and coming graphic novels from a variety of publishers!

Mature graphic novels are graphic novels that have more complex story lines and may have instances of bad language, violence, or nudity. In other words, they are primarily intended for adult readers instead of children.

The Fairmont branch made the switch after realizing that some of the topics reflected in the general graphic novel section might be deemed inappropriate for the small children who were perusing the section.

Graphic novels such as Transmetropolitan, 100 Bullets,

Ex Machina,
Astro City,
X-Force, and
more have been
added to the
section, with
more graphic
novels on the
way!

Contact 304-366-1210 for more information!



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## **Best Sellers**

#### **Expected in August**

Alert by James Patterson
Beach Town by Mary Kay Andrews
Big Band Jazz In Black WV, 1930 to
1942 by Christopher Wilkinson
Deadly Assets by W.E.B. Griffin
Devil's Bridge by Linda A. Fairstein
Dragonbane by Sherrilyn Kenyon
Every Day I Fight by Stuart Scott
Friction by Sandra Brown
The Gift by Wanda Brunstetter
Grey: Fifty Shades Of Grey As Told
By Christian by E.L. James

The Last Time I Saw Her by Karen Robards Long Upon the Land by Margaret Maron Made with Love by Tricia Goyer The Marriage of Opposites by Alice Hoffman Power Surge by Ben Bova Secondhand Souls by Christopher Moore Silver Linings by Debbie Macomber The Taming of the Queen by Philippa Gregory *Trap* by Robert K. Tannenbaum West Virginia's Traditional Country Music by Ivan Tribe Who Do You Love by Jennifer Weiner X by Sue Grafton

**Large Print** 

Crazy Love You by Lisa Unger Hope Harbor by Irene Hannon Married Til Monday

by Denise Hunter

**The Mountain Story** by Lori Lansens **Murder On Amsterdam Avenue** 

by Victoria Thompson

**The Naked Eye** by Iris Johansen **One Way Or Another** 

by Elizabeth Adler

Postcards From The Past by Marcia Willert

The Proposal At Siesta Key

by Shelley Shepard Gray

**Two Roads Home** 

by Deborah Raney

## **DVDs**

5 Flights Up
Blaze and the Monster Machines
Chicago Fire Seasons 2 & 3
Dead in Tombstone
Dora and Friends: Doggy Day
How to Get Away With Murder

Season 1

Insurgent Lego Friends:

Friends Together Again
Mike & Molly Season 5
Once Upon a Time Season 4
The Originals Season 5
What We Do in the Shadows
Walking Dead Season 5

## **Playaway**

Blue Smoke by Nora Roberts
Daniel X Lights Out
by James Patterson
Naked Greed by Stuart Woods
The Other Son
by Alexander Soderberg

## **Playaway View**

Goosebumps Vol. 4 Lots & Lots of Jets & Planes Magic School Bus School Stories

## **Young Adult**

5 to 1 by Holly Bodger
The Cage by Megan Shepherd
About a Girl by Sarah Mccarry
A Court of Thorns & Roses
by Sarah Maas
Daughter of Deep Silence
by Carrie Ryan
Illusionarium by Heather Dixon
Lion Heart by A.C. Gaughen
A Little in Love by Susan Fletcher
Maximum Ride Forever
by James Patterson

Nimona by Noelle Stevenson
Nowhere but Here
by Katie Mcgarry
Thirteen Days of Midnight

by Leo Hunt *Until the Beginning* by Amy Plum

## **Audio Books**

Alert by James Patterson
Brown Eyed Girl
by Lisa Kleypas
Candy Corn Murder
by Leslie Meier
Devil's Bridge
by Linda Fairstein
Grey by El James
The Martian by Andy Weir
Once Upon A Prince
by Rachel Hauck
Silver Lining
by Debbie Macomber
Speaking in Bones
by Kathy Reichs
Starlight on Willow Lake
by Susan Wiggs
The Way Life Should Be
by Christina Baker Kline
X by Sue Grafton

### E-Books

Agatha's First Case
by M.C. Beaton
Broken Promise
by Linwood Barclay
Brush Back by Sara Paretsky
The Calamity Janes
by Sherryl Woods
Deadly Assets by W.E.B. Griffin
Devil's Bridge by Linda Farstein
Fuzzy Mud by Louis Sachar
Harbour Street by Ann Cleeves
The Life Changing Magic of
Tidying Up by Marie Kondo
Lord of the Wings
by Donna Andrews
The Murderer's Daughter
by Jonathan Kellerman
The Nature of the Beast
by Louise Penny
The Pattern of Lies
by Charles Todd
Trap by Robert K. Tanenbaum

## **E-Audio Books**

All Dressed in White
by Mary Higgins Clark
As You Wish by Cary Elwes
Aurora by Kim Stanley
Robinson
Becoming Steve Jobs by
Brent Schlender
Bones on Ice by Kathy Reichs
Called for Life by Kent Brantly
Ever After by Jude Deveraux
Flashpoint by Suzanne
Brockman
Save Me by Lisa Scottoline
X by Sue Grafton



Company presents: Hercules and the Heroes

Join MCPLS in welcoming the Hampstead Stage Company August 1 at 2 pm as they present Hercules and the Heroes: A Glimpse Into Ancient Greece.

From their website: Through mask work, poetry, and swordplay, kids will discover the early stories of Greece. This play is designed to bring students closer to early civilizations by appreciating the similarities that we all share.

The play is the last major event of our summer reading program for kids "Every Hero Has a Story". Hercules is free and open to the public.

#### Story Hour Sign-ups

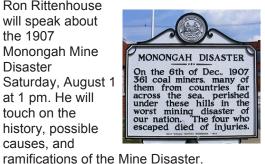
Sign-ups for the fall sessions of story hour will begin August 17.

Story hour is open to kids 3 - 5 years old. Parents will have the opportunity to choose one of two sessions: Wednesdays or Thursdays. Both sessions meet from 10:30 - 11:30 am in the children's area.

Classes will begin September 16 and 17 and will feature a variety of fun stories, audiovisuals, and activities for kids.

#### Monongah Mine Disaster

Ron Rittenhouse will speak about the 1907 Monongah Mine Disaster Saturday, August 1 at 1 pm. He will touch on the history, possible causes, and



Rittenhouse is a local author and Photography Editor for the Dominion Post. There is no admission cost for the event, but donations will be accepted for the Marion County Historical

Museum.

#### WV Reenactors Association: Civil War

The WV Reenactors Association will visit the library Saturday, August 10 at 1 pm. They will be presenting Civil War Era Artifacts and historically researched accounts of the Civil War in WV. WVRA will be dressed in period attire, but not reenact any scenes.

#### Adult Craft Class

We will meet August 10 and August 17 at 5 pm to work on our Wonky Log Cabin quilt.

#### WV Pop Con

Come visit our booth at the 4th Pop Culture and Comic Convention!



WV Pop

Con is open Saturday, August 22 from 10 am - 7 pm and Sunday, August 23 11 am - 5 pm.

MCPLS has been proudly attending WV Pop Con since its inception and will be offering crafts for kids, Information about library services, and a giveaway!

We'd love to see you! To find out more information about WV Pop Con, visit their Facebook page or check out www.wvpop.com.

#### Movie in the Park

MCPLS and MCPARC are teaming up to offer another family friendly movie night at Palatine Park!

This month's movie is *Disney* Pixar's Cars, taking place August 1 at the amphitheater!

Be on the lookout for two more movie nights taking place next month: September 5 and 26!



## **Check Us Out**

Local and state fairs have a big month in August so why not check out our entryway display, "Celebrate the County Fair"?



There are titles for children: *Blue-Ribbon Bunny* by Sarah Nathan, *County Fair* by Laura Ingalls Wilder, and *Maisy at the Fair* by Lucy Cousins. For adults there's *It Happened at the Fair* 

by Deanne Gist, State Fair by Earlene Fowler, and Blue Ribbon Afghans from America's State Fairs.



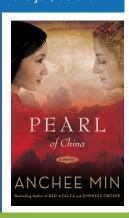
In a separate display, we will be featuring

Feed YourNeedtoRead.com's "The 12 Best Darn Western Books of All Time." You say you've read all the best westerns? Stop by the display and find out!

If you think you know your western movies, take our "Best of the West Movie Challenge." Match the Hollywood actor with the western film in which he starred that was based on a popular western story. Each participant will receive a "Free DVD Rental Coupon" just for playing, and all correct entries will be placed in a drawing for a chance to win a \$25 gift card.

Rounding out August is our "Gold Rush Guessing Game." Take your best guess on how many Hershey's Gold Nuggets are in the jar, be the

closest without going over, and win!





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#### School Rules

August is here, and that means another schools year's just around the corner. This also means that it's time for Fairview Library's "Cookies, Bookies, and Milk" program, August 25 from 10 am – 12 pm.

During this program, parents can register children ages 12-23 months for Toddler Time and children ages 2-5 years for Story Hour. We will be featuring games, crafts, and, of course, milk and cookies. Fall Storytime classes are on a limited first come, first served basis so call or stop in the library for more details.

#### Speaking of Books Club

Speaking of Books will meet August 25 to discuss *Pearl of China* by Anchee Min.

In the small southern China town of Chin-kiang, two young girls bump heads and become thick as thieves. Willow is the only child of a destitute family. Pearl is the headstrong daughter of Christian missionaries, and will grow up to become Pearl S. Buck, Nobel Prizewinning writer and activist. This unlikely pair becomes lifelong friends, confiding their beliefs and dreams, experiencing love and motherhood, and eventually facing civil war and exile. -Amazon

#### Racing Back to School

Our "Racing Back to School" program returns on August 11 from 11 am to 12 pm for children ages 5 and up. We'll be providing games, crafts, and a goody bag to help you head into a new school year.

Space is limited so be sure to contact the library to register.

#### Couponing with Danelle

Also being presented this month on August 15 from 11 am - 12 pm is "Couponing with Danelle." Marion County resident Danelle McGee will be showing folks how to get the most out of shopping with coupons and give tips to maximize savings and minimize costs. This is a free program, and registration is not required.

## What Do You Know About That?

More trivia fun continues on August 27 from 9 am – 4 pm with "What Do You Know about That?" Patrons ages 14-up are eligible to participate, and the contestant with the most correct answers wins!

Our monthly coloring workshop for August is "Saddle Up and Read, Bookaroo!"





#### Poetry on the Lawn

Poetry on the Lawn. August 1 at 11 am. Open to the public, extra entries for the grand prize for Escape the Ordinary participants. Plan to bring your original poetry and/or your favorite poetry to share with the group. Refreshments will be served.

#### Escape the Ordinary **Grand Prize Drawing**

August 13 at 4 pm we will have our drawing for the \$200.00 and \$50.00 Amazon gift cards. Participants who are present at the drawing will receive an extra 20 chances to win!

#### Fall Story Hour Sign-Ups

Fall story hour registration is now open. Classes are limited to 15 students between the ages of 2 and 5. The first class will be held September 9. They will meet on Wednesdays from 10-11. Those interested can sign up by calling the library at 304-986-2803, or stopping in.

Monthly themed classes will cover Learning about the Library, Pete the Cat, Eric Carle, Shapes and Patterns, Butterflies and Caterpillars, just to name a few. Activities will include games, songs, movies and snacks.

#### Cover2Cover

August 20 @ 1:30. This month's title: Like Water for Chocolate by Laura Esquivel.

The youngest daughter of a well-born rancher, Tita has always known her destiny: to remain single and care for her aging mother.

When she falls in love, her mother quickly scotches the liaison and tyrannically dictates that Tita's sister Rosaura must marry the luckless suitor, Pedro, in her place. But Tita has one weapon left-- her cooking.

Tita's unrequited love for Pedro survives the Mexican Revolution, the births of Rosaura and Pedro's children, even a proposal of marriage from an eligible doctor. In a poignant conclusion, Tita manages to break the bonds of tradition, if not for herself, then for future generations. -Publishers Weekly

#### Friends' Book Sale

Good reads, slightly used. Visit the Friends' Book Sale Fridays 10-4:30 and Saturdays 9-1.

#### Freeze Pop Friday

August is hot, cool down with a freeze pop every Friday!

selection: My Faire Lady by Laura Wettersten.

Rowena Duncan is a thoroughly modern girl with big plans for her summer—until she catches her boyfriend making out with another girl. Heartbroken, she applies to an out-of-town job posting and finds herself somewhere she never expected: the

Renaissance Faire.

As a face-painter doubling as a serving wench, Ro is thrown headfirst into a vibrant community of artists and performers. She feels like a fish out of water until Will, a

quick-witted whip cracker, takes her under his wing. Then there's Christian, a blue-eved stunt jouster who makes Ro weak in the knees. Soon, it's not just her gown that's tripping her up.

Trading in the internet and electricity for stars and campfires was supposed to make life simpler, but Ro is finding that love is the ultimate complication. Can she let the past make way for her future?

Pick up a copy today! Our book club will also enjoy an activity (craft, theme food, movie) based on the book each month.



## Marion Libearian, the town librarian

## Hello All!

Well, summer is wrapping up! What a fantastic time we had with Summer Reading 'Every Hero has a Story', so many great adventures!



Heroes come in all shapes and sizes. It was such a joy to see all the children participating in the many activities. The main library had an amazing attendance! So many books read, too!

August also means back to school. Remember the library when you start back to school; we have many resources that can help you with all your school work needs. There are many online resources to assist you with various homework assignments, as well as shelves stocked full of helpful material.

Enjoy the last remnants of summer as we move into fall. The library has a lot in store for our monthly family events, story hour, and lots of surprises along the way!

#### MCPLS Bookmobile

Monday

Kidz Connection: 9:30-10:30. Bellview Blvd.

Monongah Park Trailhead: 11:00-12:00. Monongah Hutchinson: 1:30-2:00. Woodlands Assisted Living Stepping Stone, Inc: 2:30-3:30. East Grafton Road

**Tuesday** 

Grant Town: 9:30-10:00. Community Center Lot

Energy Express: 10:30-11:30. West Fairmont Middle School

Learning Options, Inc: 12:00-1:00. Songbird Lane

Disability Action Center: 2:30-3:30. 102 Benoni Ave. [2nd Week]

Wednesday

Whitehall: 9:00-10:00. Middletown Mall

Pleasant Valley: 10:30-11:30. Valley Chapel United Methodist Lot NASA IV & V: 12:00-1:00. Back Parking Lot [1st & 3rd Week] Wonderland Learning: 12:00-1:00. Mannington [2nd & 4th Week] Bunner Ridge: 2:30-3:30. Sagebrush Roundup lot [1st & 3rd Week]

**Thursday** 

Bright Beginnings Day Care: 9:30-10:30. 22 Moran Circle, Rt 73 Sunbeam Child Care Center: 11:00-12:00. Mary Lou Retton Drive

Rock Lake: 2:00-3:00. Community Center Colfax: 3:30-4:30. Community Center



#### **Fairmont**

- **August 1: Hampstead Theatre Company** presents Hercules
- **August 1: Monongah Mine Disaster Event**
- August 1: Movie in the Park: Cars (off-site)
- August 10: WV Reenactors Association
- August 10, 17: Adult Craft Class
- August 15: Grant Town Fire Dept. Back to school bash (at Grant Town VFD) 5-8 pm
- **August 17: Sign-ups for Story Hour Begin**
- August 22-23: Visit us at WV Pop Con

#### **Mannington**

- August 1: Poetry on the Lawn
- August 13: "Escape the Ordinary" Finale
- August 17: Fiction Addiction
- August 20: Cover2Cover

- August 7, 14, 21, 28: Freeze Pop Fridays August 7, 14, 21, 28: Friday book sale 10-4 August 1, 8, 15, 22, 29: Saturday book sale 9-1

#### **Fairview**

- August 1-31: Monthly programs and contests
- August 4, 11, 18, 25: Tuesday Nite Knitters
- August 11: Racing Back to School Kids Program
- **August 15: Couponing with Danelle**
- August 15: Grant Town Fire Dept. Back to school bash (at Grant Town VFD) 5–8 pm
- August 25: Speaking of Books: Pearl of China by Anchee Min
- August 27: What Do You Know About That? Trivia

