# February 2016 Volume 11 Issue 2

# **Star Wars Day**

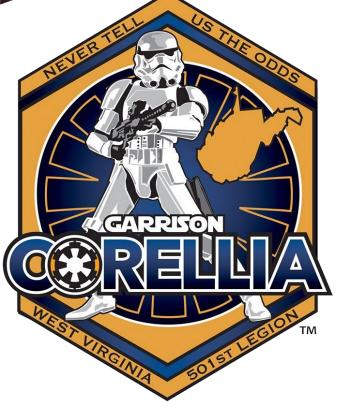
Break out your lightsabers, Jedi robes, and Stormtrooper helmets for an intergalactic party that will be out of this world!

Join the Fairmont branch and members of the 501st Legion costume organization in celebrating the worlds of Star Wars on Saturday, February 27 from 12 pm - 3 pm!

Kids can participate in Star Wars themed games and activities (including a scavenger hunt!), receive treats and an Imperial Cadet Training Manual, plus meet some of their favorite heroes and villains!

Participants who come dressed in costume will be able to compete in our Star Wars costume contest!

For more information on the 501st legion, visit www.501st.com!





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### **Best Sellers**

#### Expected in February

The Art of War by Stephen Coonts The Autumn Republic by Brian McClellan Boys in the Trees by Carly Simon

Breakdown by Jonathan Kellerman Brotherhood in Death by J.D. Robb The Cellar by Minette Walters Cometh the Hour by Jeffrey Archer Death of a Nurse by M.C. Beaton Humans of New York by Brandon Stanton

If I Run by Terry Blackstock

# Large Print

After She's Gone by Lisa Jackson And Sometimes I Wonder About You by Walter Mosley **Beautiful Storm** by Barbara Freethy Bertie's Guide to Life and Mothers by Alexander McCall Smith The Bronte Plot by Katherine Reav My Name is Lucy Barton by Elizabeth Strout New Leaf by Catherine Anderson A Respectable Actress by Dorothy Love An Unlikely Love by Dorothy Clark Where She Belongs by Johnnie Alexander

# **DVDs**

The 33 **Black Mass Bridge Of Spies** Burnt **Everset** The Good Dinosaur Grandma **Green Inferno** Jem And Holograms Ladrones The Last Witch Hunter Love The Coopers **Our Brand Is Crisis** Sinister 2 **Spectre** Straight Outta Compton The Visit

#### Loving Eleanor

by Susan Wittig Albert On Lone Star Trail by Amanda Cabot One Under by Cynthia Harrod-Eagles Return to Paradise by Barbara Cameron The Revenant by Michael Punke

Revenge by Lisa Jackson Robert B. Parker's Blackjack by Robert Knott Room for Hope by Kim Vogel Sawyer She's Not There by Joy Fielding Shoot by Loren D. Estleman Troublemaker by Leah Remini Werewolf Cop by Andrew Klavan West Virginia: The Illegal State by Jeremy Farley The Wolves by Alex Berenson

## Playaway

The Bitter Season by Tami Hoag House of the Rising Sun by James Lee Burke The Man Without a Shadow by Joyce Carol Oates Mastered by Maya Banks Orphan X by Gregg Hurwitz Whistleblower by Tess Gerritsen

## Playaway Launchpad

It's Play Time! (ages 3-5) Quiet Time For Me! (ages 3-5) Dinner's On! (ages 5-7) Road Trip with Favorite Characters (ages 5-7) Game Night! (ages 10+)

## **Playaway View**

Common Core Kindergarten Coretta Scott and Other Inspiring African Americans Ocean Creatures Preschool Prep

## **Juvenile Fiction**

House of Robots by James Patterson The Isle of the Lost by Melissa De La Cruz Pokemon Deluxe Essential Handbook

# Audio Books

The Art of War by Stephen Coonts Breakdown by Jonathan Kellerman Brotherhood in Death by J.D. Robb Find Her by Lisa Gardner The Forgotten Recipe by Amy Clipston A Gift of Grace by Amy Clipston Her Brother's Keeper by Beth Wiseman A Promise of Hope by Amy Clipston Remembrance by Meg Cabot Revenge by Lisa Jackson

# Young Adult

Conviction by Kelly Loy Gilbert The Dark Days Club by Alison Goodman The Emperor of Any Place by Tim Wynne-Jones Everything, Everything by Nicola Yoon The Girl From Everywhere by Heidi Heilig *Illusion* by Sherrilyn Kenyon Instinct by Sherrilyn Kenyon The Radiant Road by Katherine Catmull Riders by Veronica Rossi Soundless by Richelle Mead Tightrope Walkers by David Almond Where You'll Find Me by Natasha Friend

# Children

The Adventures of Miss Petitfour by Anne Michaels Bunjitsu Bunny's Best Move by John Himmelman Daredevil Duck by Charlie Alder Fox Chase by Sven Nordqvist Frankencrayon by Michael Hall The House That Zack Built by Alison Murray I'm Trying to Love Spiders by Bethany Barton Is Mommy? By Victoria Chang Love is My Favorite Thing by Emma Chichester Clark Mummy Cat by Marcus Ewert

# From the Minds of African Americans

MCPLS is pleased to welcome *From the Minds of African Americans* for February, an exhibit from the Harriet Tubman Museum in Macon, Georgia.

This exhibit celebrates the ingenuity, as well as the perseverance and creativity of African American inventors. It tells the stories of eight inventors: Garrett Morgan, Clatonia Dorticus, Benjamin Banneker, Thomas Elkins, John Stanard, George Washington Carver, Lewis H. Latimer, and Lonnie G. Johnson.

#### **Adult Craft Class**

The Adult Craft Class will be meeting February 4 at 6:30 pm to create animal candy huggers. Come make a surprise for your Valentine!



#### Scrabble Night

Come have some old fashioned fun at our first Scrabble night! This event will take place Thursday, February 25 from 6:30 - 8:30 pm. Open to all ages.

#### Star Wars Day

Happening Saturday, February 27 from 12 pm - 3 pm! See front page for more information!

#### Awesome Readers Club

**Monroe Street** 

mont, WV 26554

-366-1210



Our teen book club will be meeting Monday, February 22 at 4:30 pm to discuss *Far Far Away* by Tom McNeal.

Jeremy Johnson Johnson hears voices. Or, specifically, one voice: the ghost of Jacob Grimm, one

half of The Brothers Grimm. Jacob watches over Jeremy, protecting him from an unknown dark evil whispered about in the space between this world and the next.

But Jacob can't protect Jeremy from everything. When coltish, copper-haired Ginger Boultinghouse takes a bite of a cake so delicious it's rumored to be bewitched, she falls in love with the first person she sees: Jeremy.

In any other place, this would be a turn for the better for Jeremy, but not in Never Better, where the Finder of Occasions whose identity and evil intentions nobody knows—is watching and waiting, waiting and watching. . . And as anyone familiar with the Brothers Grimm know, not all fairy tales have happy endings. -Amazon

#### Adult Scrapbooking

Sign up at the front desk if you're interested in joining a scrapbooking class that's just for adults!

This group meets every Thursday at 4:30 pm! Sign up at the front desk or contact Raina at 304-366-1210 (extension 126) for more information!

#### Table Top Gaming Group

The Tabletop Gaming Group is geared towards adults and mature teens, and gives participants the opportunity to play a variety of European style board games with fellow game enthusiasts.

Sound interesting? Join us on Wednesday nights from 5 pm - 9 pm in the exhibition area! Contact Dan at 304-366-1210 (extension 128) for more information!

#### Book It

Book It will meet Wednesday, February 17 at 6:00 pm in the Literacy Volunteers of America office on Locust Avenue to discuss *Dear Life* by Alice Munro.

WINNER OF THE NOBEL PRIZE® IN LITERATURE 2013

In story after story, Alice Munro pinpoints the moment a person is forever altered by a chance encounter, an action not taken,



or a simple twist of fate.

Her characters are flawed and fully human: a soldier returning from war and avoiding his fiancée, a wealthy woman deciding whether to confront a blackmailer, a young teacher jilted by her employer, and more.

Illumined by Munro's unflinching insight, these lives draw us in with their quiet depth and surprise us with unexpected turns. –Amazon



### Give Us Your Best Shot, Cupid

Stop in February 1 - 26 to participate in our "Spotlight on Matchmaking" game.



Adults who think they know the greatest love stories from page to screen are challenged to match a story synopsis with the novel it describes. You will even get

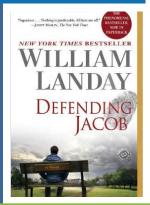
a visual cue from a display of the famous couples as they appear on film.

All participants will receive a Valentine treat, and all entries will go into a drawing for a restaurant gift card; the lucky winner will be chosen on February 26.

Trivia buffs can join us on February 25 from 9 am – 4 pm for our monthly contest, "What Do You Know about That?" Patrons ages 14 and up are eligible to participate, and the patron with the most correct answers wins a prize!

Be sure to put in your best guess at the Circulation Desk for our featured drawing, "Tell Me about It." The patron who comes closest to guessing the number of candy <u>conversation hearts in the jar</u>

without going over wins the prize!



Fairview

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

#### For The Love of Books

It's that time again! Registration for the spring semester of Story Hour and Toddler Time kicks off on February 8 at 9 am. Parents can register their children by calling the library or stopping by. Space is limited, and registration will continue until classes are filled.

Throughout the month we will be featuring the "Books Are 'Unbearably' Good" coloring workshop.

#### Speaking of Books Club

Speaking of Books will meet February 23 at 4 pm to discuss **Defending Jacob by William Landay.** 

Andy Barber has been an assistant district attorney for two decades. He is respected. Admired in the courtroom. Happy at home with the loves of his life: his wife, Laurie, and their teenage son, Jacob.

Then Andy's quiet suburb is stunned by a shocking crime: a young boy stabbed to death in a leafy park. And an even greater shock: The accused is Andy's own son—shy, awkward, mysterious Jacob.

It is the ultimate test for any parent: How far would you go to protect your child? It is a test of devotion. For Andy Barber, a man with an iron will and a dark secret, it is a test of guilt and innocence in the deepest sense.—Amazon

#### Valentine Making Station

We are also presenting our annual "Valentine Making Station" from February 1 - 12. Children can create their own Valentine's Day cards to share with family and friends.

#### **Get Crafty**

To help our local teens get crafty in February, Mrs. Linda is offering an after school craft workshop



"Mark Your Mug" will be held on February 9

from 3:30 pm - 4:30 pm. Participants will design their own mugs to take home and enjoy a cup of hot

chocolate courtesy of the library.



This workshop is available to patrons ages 10-18. Space is limited so registration is required.

# From the Bottom of Our Hearts

The staff of the Fairview Public Library would like to thank everyone who contributed to our numerous outreach programs this winter.

From November through December, community members donated various articles of clothing to our Mitten Tree Drive and multiple non-perishable food items to our Food Pantry Donation Drive. We deeply appreciate your continuous support!



# Mannington

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

#### Valentine Fun



Be our Valentines! Join Miss Janet for valentine fun on Wednesday, February 10 or

Saturday, February 13 at 11:00 for games, stories, and valentine creations; something for children of all ages.

#### First Aid and CPR Training

West Virginia's Choice is holding training classes at the Mannington Public Library consisting of First Aid and CPR in order to be hired as Personal Attendant's (Direct Care Worker's) for clients who need in-home assistance.

Training classes are scheduled once a month for the rest of the year. Training for this month is scheduled for February 4 and 5 from 9:00-4:30. To sign up for training, call West Virginia's Choice at 304-291-3345 ext. 235 and ask for Cindy.

# Story Time & Toddler Time

We will resume our spring story-time sessions on March 1 and March 2 just in time for Dr. Seuss' birthday. *Oh, the Places You'll Go!* is the theme. Registration is open now. Please call 304-986-2803 to sign up!

#### Cover2Cover February 18 @ 1:30. This month's title: A Spool of Blue Thread by Anne Tyler.

"It was a beautiful,

breezy, yellow-and-green afternoon. . ." This is how Abby Whitshank always begins the story of how she fell in love with Red that day in July 1959.

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The Whitshanks are one of those families that radiate togetherness: an indefinable, enviable kind of specialness. But they are also like all families, in that the stories they tell themselves reveal only part of the picture.

From Red's father and mother, newly arrived in Baltimore in the 1920s, to Abby and Red's grandchildren carrying the family legacy boisterously into the twenty-first century, here are four generations of Whitshanks, their lives unfolding in and around the sprawling, lovingly worn Baltimore house that has always been their anchor. –Amazon

#### Friends Book Sale



Don't get stuck in the snow without a good book! Find bags full of great used books at the Friends Book Sale Fridays 10:00-4:30 and Saturdays 9:00-1:00.

#### FSU VITA INCOME TAX ASSISTANCE

**!!!!! FREE !!!!! FREE !!!!!** Have your income tax return prepared for free by FSU accounting students at the Mannington Public Library on February 13, 9:00-4:00 and March 25, 10:00-5:00.

Returns are prepared on a first come, first served basis and the NUMBER OF RETURNS PREPARED may be LIMITED. No appointment is necessary.

# To have your return completed by FSU:

Be at the site at least one hour before listed closing time.
Have Photo ID for taxpayer and spouse.
Have Social Security Cards for everyone listed on the return.
Have medical insurance information.

#### Fiction Addiction Book Club: Grades 5-8

February 8 @ 4:00. This month: *Asylum* by Madeleine Roux.

For sixteen-year-old Dan Crawford, the New Hampshire College Prep program is the chance of a lifetime.

Except that when Dan arrives, he finds that the usual

he finds that the usual summer housing has been closed, forcing students to stay in the crumbling Brookline Dorm—formerly a psychiatric hospital. Brookline was no ordinary mental hospital, and there are some secrets that refuse to stay buried.



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# Marion Libearian, the town librarian



# Hello All!

The cold winds of February swirl around in the air bringing us the shortest month of the year. However, you get the bonus day for leap year, which means...an extra day for reading!

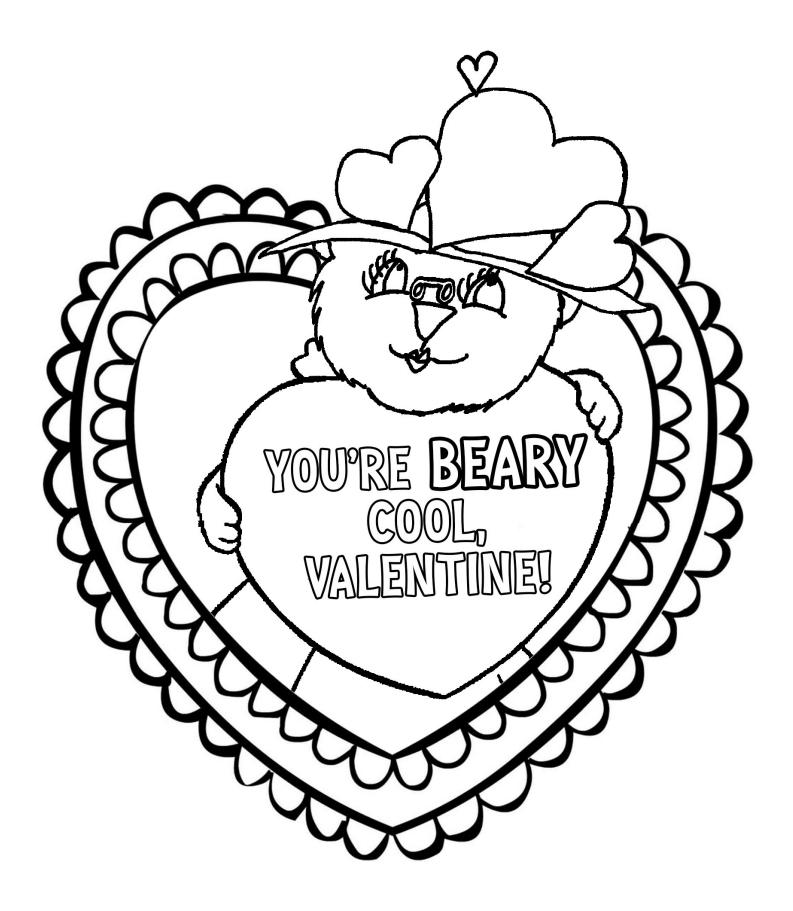
Winter's brisk chill is always a good time to snuggle in with a good book. You don't even have to leave your cozy home; you can utilize one of our many online resources.

Hoopla is one of our newest online resources with many new features. As my nephews Manny and Farris say, "IT'S AWESOME!" You can binge read/watch/listen to all your favorites under the comfort of your favorite blanket.

So warm up with your library!

#### **MCPLS Bookmobile**

Monday	
	Pierpont Lab Preschool 9:30-10:30. FSU Campus
	Monongah Park Trailhead: 11:00-12:00. Monongah
	Hutchinson: 1:30-2:00. Woodlands Assisted Living
	Stepping Stone, Inc: 3:45-4:45. East Grafton Road
Tuesday	
	Grant Town: 9:30-10:00. Community Center Lot
	White School: 10:30-11:30. Locust Ave. (Adult Learning Center) [1st & 3rd Week]
	Heart Junction Child Care: 10:30-11:30. Rivesville [2nd & 4th Week]
	Fairmont Area Homeschoolers Together: 12:30-1:30. 3221 Fairmont Avenue [1st & 3rd week]
	Disability Action Center: 2:30-3:30. 102 Benoni Ave. [2nd Week]
	Boys & Girls Club: 3:45-4:45. East Park Elementary [1st & 3rd Week]
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Wednesday	
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	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]
	Fairmont Health & Rehab: 2:30-3:30. Kaufman Drive [2nd & 4th 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
	Learning Options, Inc.: 1:00-2:00. Songbird Lane [2nd Week]
	Rock Lake: 2:00-3:00. Community Center Colfax: 3:30-4:30. Community Center
	Kidz Connection: 3:30-4:30. Bellview Blvd. [2nd & 4th Week]



#### Fairmont

- February 1-6: Train Exhibit Continues
- February 9-29– From the Minds of
   African Americans Exhibit
- February 4, 11, 18, 25: Adult Scrapbooking
- February 4: Adult Craft Class
- February 15: CLOSED for President's Day
- February 17: Tabletop Games
- February 17: Book It: Dear Life
- February 22: Awesome Readers Club: Far Far Away by Tom McNeal
- February 25: Scrabble Night
- February 27: Star Wars Day
- February 29: Winter Hours End

#### Mannington

- February 4: WV Choice training classes
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- February 6, 13, 20, 27: Friends Book Sale
- February 10: Valentine Fun Time at 11:00
- February 12, 19, 26: Friends Book Sale
- February 13: FSU VITA Tax Assistance
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#### Fairview

- February 1-26: Spotlight on Matchmaking Books Are "Unbearably" Good Coloring Workshop Tell Me about It Guessing Game
- February 1-12: Children's Valentine Making Station
- February 2, 9, 16, 23: Tuesday Nite Knitters
- February 8: Toddler Time/ Story Hour Registration Begins
- February 9: Mark Your Mug Teen Program
- February 15: CLOSED for President's Day
- February 23: Speaking of Books: Defending Jacob
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