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White Hall **Express**

The wait is over! We have opened up the White Hall Express for a "soft opening" as of Monday, November 25. You are now able to check out items that are housed in the unit and return library materials.

If you stop by and use it: please let us know what you think, and if you encountered any issues, so that we can address them. We will announce our grand opening and ribbon cutting date once we are sure that everything is working perfectly! Thank you again for all of your support and kind words!

- Open 24/7
- Holds 235 titles
- Will offer new release DVDs, Video Games, Books (including YA, kids books, & Large Print), and Graphic Novels
- Patrons can return any item to the kiosk, and will eventually be able to have their holds sent there to pick up.

Located at 118 Tygart Valley Mall, between the White Hall Town Hall Building and Tygart Valley Cinemas.

For more information, visit www.mcpls.org/express

Holiday **Crafting with** Creativebug



The holiday season is the perfect time to share your creativity with friends & family.

Whether making a gingerbread house with little ones, knitting a gift for a friend, or making something to decorate your home, Creativebug has classes that will instruct and inspire you through the busiest time of year.

Remember... You're more creative than you think!

Creativebug is a online craft class database created by



JoAnn Fabrics. Patrons have an all-access, no-boundaries pass to explore 1000+ classes. People of all skill levels and ages can work alongside instructors to learn craft techniques, FREE with your library card!

Head to mcpls.org/education to get started!





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December New Releases

Find more new releases at <u>http://bit.ly/2z8HAbe</u>

DVDs

Abominable Buttons: a Christmas Tale Downton Abbey Feast of the Seven Fishes The Feud Fuller House Season 4 Game of Thrones Season 8 How to Train Your Dragon: Homecoming Hustlers It: Chapter Two Judv Killjoys Season 5 Once Upon A Time In Hollywood Orville Season 2 Overcomer Pup School Christmas Rambo: Last Blood Ready or Not Santa's Partyland Where'd You Go, Bernadette WWE 24: The Best of 2019

Video Games

Assasin's Creed Origins (PS4) Contra (Switch) Dark Souls Remastered (PS4) Far Cry New Dawn (PS4) Ghost Parade (PS4) Ghost Recon (PS4) Medievil (PS4) Need for Speed (XBOX ONE) Paper Mario Sticker Stars (3DS)

CDs

Carols: The Sounds of Christmas The Best of Christmas Grass K-12 by Melanie Martinez Voice of Truth: Ultimate Hits by Casting Crowns What You See is What You Get by Luke Combs

BOCD

The Attack by W.E.B. Griffin Child's Play by Danielle Steel Dashing Through the Snow by Mary Higgins Clark Genesis by Robin Cook Santa Cruise by Mary Higgins Clark

Bestsellers

Agatha Raisin: Beating About the Bush by M.C. Beaton The Attack by W.E.B. Griffin Children of Virtue and Vengeance by Tomi Adeyemi Genesis by Robin Cook The Case of the Spellbound Child by Mercedes Lackey

Inspirational

The Bridge to Belle Island by Julie Klassen Forever Hidden by Tracie Peterson The Lake Season by Denise Hunter Abraham by Jennifer Beckstrand

Misc. Fiction

The Christmas Boutique by Jennifer Chiaverini A Dog's Promise by W. Bruce Cameron The Family Journal by Carolyn Brown Frost and Flame by Gena Showalter Grand Union by Zadie Smith Halo: Oblivion by Troy Denning Let it Snow by Nancy Thayer Lost and Found by Orson Scott Card Meet Her Match by Jude Deveraux No Judgements by Meg Cabot Pursuit by Joyce Carol Oates Right Beside You by Mary Monroe The Shape of the Night by Tess Gerritsen Warrior of the Altaii by Robert Jordan White Christmas Comes by Katherine Spencer The World That We Knew by Alice Hoffman

Teens

Angel Mage by Garth Nix The End and Other Beginnings by Veronica Roth The Fountains of Silence by Ruta Sepetys The Guinevere Deception by Kiersten White Halo: Meridian Divide by Cassandra Rose Clarke Light It Up by Kekla Magoon The Queen of Nothing by Holly Black Shadow Frost by Coco Ma Thirteen Doorways, Wolves Behind Them All by Laura Ruby

Graphic Novels

Batman 11: The Fall and the Fallen by Tom King One Piece Omnibus Volumes 27-29 Paper Girls Volume 6 Superman: The Unity Saga 1 by Brian Michael Bendis

Large Print

Agatha Raisin: Beating About the Bush by M.C. Beaton The Attack by W.E.B. Griffin The Bridge to Belle Island by Julie Klassen The Christmas Boutique by Jennifer Chiaverini The Confession Club by Elizabeth Berg Genesis by Robin Cook The Giver of Stars by JoJo Moyes An Irish Country Family by Patrick Taylor Let it Snow by Nancy Thayer Magic Gun: A Western Duo Red at the Bone by Jacqueline Woodson Right Beside You by Mary Monroe

The Rise of the Magicks by Nora Roberts Robert B. Parker's Angel Eyes by Ace Atkins

Robert B. Parker's The Bitterest Pill by Reed Farrel Coleman A Single Light by Tosca Moon Lee Smoke Screen by Terri Blackstock Stealth by Stuart Woods The Sword of Kings by Bernard Cornwall

To the Land of Long Lost Friends by Alexander McCall Smith Warner and Laura by Giles Tippette What Comes My Way iby White Christmas Comes by Katherine Spencer

Non-Fiction

The Body by Bill Bryson Elements of Fiction by Malter Mosley Finding Chika by Mitch Albom The Great Pretender by Susannah Cahalan Grit & Grace by Tim McGraw **Guinness World Records 2020** Hand Reflexology & Acupressure by Chen Feisong The Happy Hormone Guide by Shannon Lepanski Healing Depression for Life How to Raise a Reader by Pamela Paul Hymns of the Republic by S.C. Gwynne Jay-Z by Michael Eric Dyson Letters from an Astrophysicist by Neil Degrasse Tyson Natural Remedies The Nature Cure The Nocturnal Brain by Guy Leschziner Own Your Self by Kelly Brogan The Rabbit Effect by Kelli Harding The Scouting Guide to Basic Fishing This Is Your Brain on Birth Control by Sarah Hill The Transformation by James Gordon Ultimate Guide to Raising a Puppy



Sewing: Fairmont

Join us to make reusable and reversible wine bottle gift bags! These bags can be used for any gift but will perfectly fit a wine bottle also.



Each attendee will need 2 Fat Quarters of material. We recommend cotton guilting fabric. Some festive fabric and all other supplies, including the sewing machines will be provided.

Limited to 6 people per class, call 304-366-1210 or visit our website to sign up.

Tuesday, December 10: 4 pm Wednesday, December 11: 2 pm, 4 pm, 6 pm



Tech Time with Keith Mannington

3D PRINTING, LEGO ROBOTICS, AND MORE!

Tech Time with Keith is a free STEAM program series for Middle Schoolers every Thursday at 3:00 pm. Please contact Keith at 304-986-2803 for more information.

3D Printing for Adults: Mannington

Monday, December 9, 5:00 pm

Adults: Learn about 3D Printing while creating a fun Christmas card holder; December 9 at 5:00.

Registration required.

Exploration+ Fairmont

Weekly sessions that will offer a variety of supplemental activities for homeschooling families in areas such as: storytelling, language, art, and STEM. These sessions are held on Tuesdays from 1-2 pm for children in grades K-4 and from 2-3 pm for grades 5+.

- **December 3: Scientific Method** We will be learning about the scientific method and how scientists use it to conduct experiments.
- December 10: Science Fair As a follow-up to last week's lesson on the Scientific Method, we will be discussing the goals and guidelines of the Science Fair projects that will be displayed and judged when Exploration+ resumes in Febraury 2020.

Fairview

Beginning in February, Exploration+ will also take place at the Fairview Public Library. Contact the Fairview Public Library at 304-449-1021 or jmike@mcpls.org for more information, or join us for an Open House on Tuesday, February 10 at 1 pm!



Scholastic Teachables

Just in time for the holidays, Scholastic Teachables has materials for Christmas, Hannukah, Kwanzaa, and more, as well as generally winter themed projects and coloring pages!

Download printable lesson plans, reading passages, games and puzzles, clip art, and skills sheets for kids in pre-K through 8th grade -- FREE with your library card!

Head to www.mcpls.org/education and click on Scholastic Teachables to get started!

The Great Courses

Did you write a book during NaNoWriMo (National Novel Writing Month)? If so, The Great Courses may have the class for you!



In the 24 eye-opening lectures of How to Publish Your Book,

Jane Friedman, publishing industry

expert and educator, provides you with sought-after secrets of the publishing process that will help you navigate this difficult progression, bypass pitfalls that many novice authors get hung up on, and improve your chances of being considered for publication.

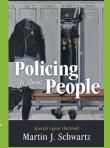
She provides the candid scoop on what you need to do in order to increase your chances of being considered. The knowledge you'll gain by having an inside expert teaching you how to position your book for publication gives you a unique advantage and drastically increases your chances of getting noticed in this increasingly competitive industry.

You can find the Great Courses on Kanopy! Kanopy is available on most devices, including Roku, Chromecast, and FireTV.

"Policing is About People" Civic Lab

Sat., December 7 1 pm – 2 pm

Please join us for this Civic Lab event to promote greater discussion and shared understanding in our community.



"The Police are the People and the People are the Police. At least that's what we want them to be." - Martin J. Schwartz

Special Agent (retired) Martin J Schwartz spent more than 40 years at the federal, state, and local levels of law enforcement, and is a veteran of the United States Air Force, where he served honorably in the Security Police. His book Policing About People discusses the constitutional guarantees afforded to the people at the core of all police-citizen interactions.

Unafraid to speak candidly Schwartz discusses race and bias, fear, cynicism, officer-involved shootings, and the mental health and wellness of officers. The title of the book is the theme of the book as all of these crucial issues involve people. His chapter entitled "The Expendables in America" is about the people living in Marcellus Shale regions, and his view that fracking is less about energy and the environment than it is about people.

Most importantly, Special Agent (retired) Schwartz discusses ways in which we can make policing smarter and safer for both the police and the citizenry.

Friends Book Sale Saturday, December 7 10 am - 1 pm

Lots of new donations! Join us for this month's \$3 per bag sale in the Book Cave. Side door with gradual stairs available. Next book sale will be January 18, weather permitting.

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

Magical Holiday Event Saturday, December 14 1 pm – 3 pm



It's the most magical time of the year! Join us for crafts, activities, and snacks from 1:00-2:00 pm, and stay for a captivatingly good time with magicians from Philip & Henry!

Voices of Fairmont Senior High School Saturday, December 14 11 am - 1 pm

Join authors Carol Amos and Linda Morgan for a signing of their book *Voices of Fairmont Senior High School*. This pictorial history book celebrates 150 years of school history, and chronicles the lives, loves, and legends that give voice to Fairmont Senior High School. MCPLS also has a copy available for check out, courtesy of Amos and Morgan.

Wise & Wonderful: Christmas Movie Matinee Friday, December 13: 1 pm

Take a break from your preparations and revisit one of the most well regarded holiday themed films from the 1940s, titled "Christmas in Connecticut". Bring your favorite holiday mug- we'll provide the hot chocolate and a snack for this gathering of Wise & Wonderful friends!



'Tween the Pages

Monday, December 16, 3:30 pm 'Tween the Pages, the middle school book club, will be discussing *The Friendship War* by Andrew Clements. Stop by the library to check out a copy of the book!

Awesome Readers Club

Monday, December 16, 5 pm Awesome Readers Club, the teen book club, will be discussing *Wayward Son* (sequel to *Carry On*) by Rainbow Rowell. Stop by the library to pick up your copy of the book!

2020 Murder Mystery: Best Laid Plans

Friday, January 31, 6 pm

Join us for a night of murder and mayhem! This installment of our murder mystery dinner will take place on Friday, January 31 at 6 pm at the Elks Club in Fairmont.

Come to the quintessential 'whodunnit' thriller at the estate of Sir Warren Peace and get thrown into a night of mystery, intrigue, and murder you will never forget! The talented actors at the Murder Mystery Company will pull the audience into their Old Hollywood themed dastardly game of intrigue. Who is the guilty party? Is it one of our performers, one of your table mates...or is it you!!"

The price for this year's event is \$20 per person. Reserve your ticket online starting Monday, December 30 at 9 am. Ticket pick up and payment begins Monday, January 6 at 9 am.

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Babies, Toddlers, and Preschoolers: OH MY!

NEW: Beginning February 3rd we will be offering **Baby Time** every Monday at 10:15. Join Miss Megan for 30 minutes of songs, stories, bouncy rhymes and more. Early language and literacy skills are learned best by reading, talking, laughing and playing with your child. Socialization is also very important for the emotional development of young children. Singing and rhyming naturally slows down our speech, breaking it into syllables that help a young child learn words.

Baby Time is a chance for parents to bond, children to socialize, and both to have fun and interact with each other.

NEW: Miss Julie will be offering an additional Toddler Time class beginning Wednesday, February 5 at 10:00 am. This class will feature interactive songs, stories, games, crafts and snacks for children ages 18 mo-3 yrs. The class is limited to 15, so registration is required.

Our Monday Toddler Time class has additional spots available. This class will resume February 3rd at 11:00 am, so please call or stop by to register.

Registration for Baby Time and Toddler Times will begin January 2, and can be done by visiting our website, stopping by the Fairview Public Library, or calling us at 304-449-1021.

NEW TIME: Beginning February 5, Story hour will be starting at 11:30 am to accommodate our new Toddler Time class. Please make a note of this. 500 Main Street Fairview, WV 26570 304-449-1021



Holiday Ornaments Kids, stop in at the Fairview Public Library beginning December 2 to create an ornament to decorate our tree. After the holidays, you may take your masterpiece home to use on your own tree next year!

Parade & Party

Join us as we celebrate the holidays with the Fairview community on December 21st! The fun begins with the annual Christmas parade at 5 pm, then continues at the Fire Department with a spectacular family fun event from 6-8 pm featuring crafts, snacks, games, a bouncy house for the kids, and a visit from Santa!

Calling All Little Artists

Kids are invited to join Little Rembrandts, a new beginning painting class for ages 8-13. These bi-monthly classes will begin January 4 at 12 pm. The class is free and all materials will be provided. Create your masterpiece and have



some fun with us! Check with the front desk or go to our website to register.

Homeschoolers Welcome

The Fairview Public Library will be starting Exploration + in February. This is a supplemental program to compliment homeschool families with kids in K-4. You do not have to be part of a co-op to participate.

Our first class will be Monday, February 10 at 1 pm. This will be a 'meet and greet' for interested parents/kids to introduce the program, exchange ideas, and socialize. Registration is recommended, but not mandatory. You can visit our website, call, or stop by the library to sign up.

'Tis the Season for Reading

Winter is quickly approaching, and our online services are prepared for all of your cold weather needs!

eBooks & eAudiobooks: WVDELI, Hoopla, Axis 360

Music:

Freegal, Hoopla, Stingray Qello (Concerts)

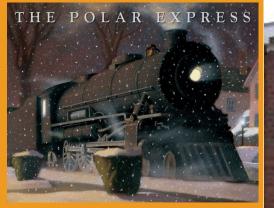
Movies & TV Shows: Kanopy, Hoopla, Acorn TV

Magazines: rbDigital (formerly Zinio)

Comics & Graphic Novels: Hoopla

Best of all, all of our online services are free to you with your library card, and the online collection never closes!

Visit <u>www.mcpls.org/streaming</u> to get started today!



Polar Express Party

All aboard! Ride the Polar Express at the Mannington Public Library Saturday, December 7. The train will leave the station at 10:30 and again at 12:00. You must be a ticket holder to board. Please register online.

Children, who truly believe, will play along with the crew, be served refreshments, and enjoy "The Polar Express" read by the author on YouTube until they reach their destination at the North Pole for a special visit with Santa.

To receive a ticket you must be registered online, our staff is happy to assist you with registration.

Crafty Creations with Carol

Wrapping up 2019! It's a party! Join Carol December 16, at 5:00 pm. Bring a special gift to wrap; we'll supply the wrapping materials and hot chocolate, you supply the present and cookies to share.

3D Printing for Adults

Monday, December 9, 5 pm

Adults: Learn about 3D Printing while creating a fun Christmas card holder. Registration required.



Friends Book Sale

Happy Holidays, spend time with your favorite authors this holiday season. Great used books can be found at the Friends Book Sale, open every week Friday 10-4 and Saturday 9-1.

Mannington

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





NEW: Book Worms

Book Worms Book Club for tweens, recommended for ages 10-12.

Pick up a copy of *Island of the Blue Dolphins* by Scott O'Dell and *Number the Stars* by Lois Lowry and join us December 10 at 2:30 to discuss the book, share a snack and book related activity.

Island of the Blue Dolphins:

Left alone on a beautiful but isolated island off the coast of California, a young Indian girl spends eighteen years, not only merely surviving through her enormous courage and self-reliance, but also finding a measure of happiness in her solitary life.

Number the Stars:

In 1943, during the German occupation of Denmark, ten-year-old Annemarie learns how to be brave and courageous when she helps shelter her Jewish friend from the Nazis.

Tech Time with Keith

Tech Time with Keith is a free STEAM program series for Middle Schoolers every Thursday at 3:00 !

Cover 2 Cover

Pick up your copy of *This Dark Road to Mercy* by Wiley Cash and join the "Cover 2 Cover" book club on Thursday, December 19 at 1:30 pm.



"After their mother's unexpected death, twelve-year-old Easter and her six-year-old sister Ruby are adjusting to life in foster care when their errant father, Wade, suddenly appears. Since Wade signed away his legal rights, the only way he can get his daughters back is to steal them away in the night.

Brady Weller, the girls' court-appointed guardian, begins looking for Wade, and he quickly turns up unsettling information linking Wade to a recent armored car heist, one with a whopping \$14.5 million missing. But Brady Weller isn't the only one hunting the desperate father. Robert Pruitt, a shady and mercurial man nursing a years-old vendetta, is also determined to find Wade and claim his due.

Narrated by a trio of alternating voices, *This Dark Road to Mercy* is a story about the indelible power of family and the primal desire to outrun a past that refuses to let go."

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Marion Librarian, the town librarian



Hello All!

It's that joyous time of year! The holiday season is here! The sounds, the smells, the smiles- such a wonderful time!

Looking for those perfect gifts? Let us help you. From instructions for making personalized crafts to recipes for delicious treats, we have a wide assortment of resources, both inside the library and online!

From all of us at the Marion County Public Library System, we wish you and your family the happiest of holiday seasons!

MCPLS Bookmobile

For the most up-to-date calendar of Bookmobile events, please visit www.mcpls.org/bookmobiles

Monday

Pleasant Valley: 9:45-10:30. Valley Chapel United Methodist. [1st & 3rd Week] *Carolina: 1:45-2:45.* Post Office. [1st & 3rd Week] *Monongah: 10:00-11:00.* Family Dollar. [2nd & 4th Week] *Gabriel Brothers: 1:30-2:30.* 302 Meadowdale Road. [2nd & 4th Week] *Quiet Dell Community Center: 3:00-3:45.* E. Grafton Road. [2nd & 4th Week]

Tuesday

Teleperformance: 12:00-1:00. Bellview [1st & 3rd Week] Arbors: 2:30-3:30. Cleveland Avenue [1st & 3rd Week] PACE: 11:30-12:30 Big Lots Plaza (Country Club Road) [2nd & 4th Week] Disability Action Center: 2:30-3:30. 102 Benoni Ave. [2nd & 4th Week]

Wednesday

Middletown Commons: 9:00-10:00. [1st & 3rd Week] I-79 Technology Park: 12:00-1:00 5000 NASA Blvd. [1st & 3rd Week] Unity Terrace: 3:00-4:00. Leonard Avenue Ext. [1st & 3rd Week] Middletown Commons: 10:30-11:30. [2nd & 4th Week] Farmington: 2:00-2:45. Fire Department. [2nd & 4th Week] Farmington: 2:45-3:45. BCBank. [2nd & 4th Week]

Thursday

Rock Lake: 2:00-3:00. Community Center [1st & 3rd Week] Colfax: 3:30-4:30. Community Center [1st & 3rd Week] Marion County Senior Center: 11:30-12:30. Maplewood Drive. [2nd & 4th Week] Barrackville: 2:30-3:30. Dollar General. [2nd & 4th Week]

Friday

Woodlands Assisted Living: 10:00-11:00. Hutchinson. [1st & 3rd Week] Miller School Apartments: 12:00-1:00. 2 Pennsylvania Avenue [1st & 3rd Week]

The Bookmobile also visits a number of outreach locations county wide: Sunbeam Early Learning Center, Stepping Stone Inc., and Kidz Connection, as well as a variety of head starts, day cares, Boys and Girls Club locations, and more

Fairmont

- December 2: Winter Hours Begin
- December 3: Baby Time (9:30 am)
- December 3: Toddler Time 1 (10:30)
- December 3, 10: Exploration+
- December 4: Toddler Time 2 (10:30)
- December 4: Story Hour 1 (4:30)
- December 4, 11, 18: Tabletop Game Group (5 pm)
- December 5: Story Hour 2 (10:30)
- December 5: Toddler Time 3
- December 6: Story Hour 3 (10:30)
- December 6: All branches closing at 1 pm
- December 7: Friends Sale (10 am-1 pm)
- December 7: "Policing is About People" Civic Lab Event (1 pm)
- December 10: Sewing– Wine Bottle Bag (4 pm: grades 4-up)
- December 11: Sewing– Wine Bottle Bag (2 pm, 4 pm, 6 pm: grades 4-up)
- December 13: Wise & Wonderful Movie
 Matinee: Christmas in Connecticut (1 pm)
- December 14: Voices of Fairmont Senior High School Book Event (11 am)
- December 14: Magical Holiday Event for Kids
- December 16: 'Tween the Pages Book Club 3:30 pm, Grades 5-8: The Friendship War by Andrew Clements
- December 16: Awesome Readers Book Club 5 pm, Grades 9-12: Wayward Son by Rainbow Rowell
- December 24-26: CLOSED– Christmas
- December 30: Murder Mystery Dinner Online Sign Ups Begin (www.mcpls.org)
- December 31: All branches closing at 3 pm

Mannington

- December 2: Winter Hours Begin
- December 3: Story Time 1 (10:30)
- December 3: Homeschool Story Adventure (1 pm)
- December 4: Story Time 2 (10:30)
- December 5, 12, 19: Middle School Tech Time with Keith (3 pm)
- December 6, 13, 20 Friday Friends Book Sale (10 am—4 pm)
- December 7, 14, 21: Saturday Friends Book Sale (9 am—1 pm)
- December 6: All branches closing at 1 pm
- December 7: Polar Express Party
- December 9: 3D Printing Class for Adults
- December 10: Book Worm Book Club
 (2:30 pm) Island of the Blue Dolphins
 and Number the Stars
- December 16: Crafty Creations with Carol
 - December 19: Cover2Cover Book Club (1:30 pm) *This Dark Road to Mercy* by Wiley Cash
- December 24-26: CLOSED– Christmas
- December 31: All branches closing at 3 pm

Fairview

- December 2: Winter Hours Begin
- December 4: Toddler Time & Story Hour Finale (Fairview Fire Hall)
- December 21: Christmas Parade & Holiday Event (Fairview Fire Hall)
- December 6: All branches closing at 1 pm
- December 24-26: CLOSED– Christmas
- December 31: All branches closing at 3 pm



