RECOMMENDED AWARD-WINNING FILMS SERIES, #6

I’m going back in time to bring you the final two award winning film recommendations, both of which were multi-nominated and harken back to the days of “Ye Olde” England. Maybe because this is April and spring is in the air, both movies reminded me of spring, love lost and found, and of strong women who shaped the world around them in very grand ways. Elizabeth is a visually stunning and equally compelling portrayal of arguably England’s greatest monarch. The director gives us a breath-taking view of the struggles of this most famous woman to establish her identity and her rule in a very male dominated world. No spoilers here, but Queen Elizabeth truly transfers herself through sheer willpower and love for her people, and makes the ultimate sacrifice of her own wants and needs to truly become the country’s “Virgin Queen”.

Very much a contemporary of Queen Elizabeth, Shakespeare was making his mark in the world of theater. Shakespeare in Love is another grand film portrayal of the bard himself, and supposedly to the lady who inspired his greatest passion, and his captivating playwriting. Another beautifully filmed depiction of early England, the film recreated the fantastic Globe Theater and softly hints at what may be the inner workings of this long ago landmark and the man who’s inner demons and passions reigned over it. I hope you’ve enjoyed watching some of America’s greatest films throughout the last 25 years as much as I have.

Erika Reed, Director
Celebrate Libraries!

National Library Week and National Bookmobile Day both fall in April. Help Marion County Public Library System celebrate all month long with two photo contests: Show Us Your Shelfie & Spot the Bookmobile.

Everybody knows about selfies, pictures you take of yourself (normally on a cellphone), and then share with the internet. Well, we want to see your shelfies. A shelfie is a selfie taken in front of a book shelf. Go to any of our library locations, snap a selfie in front of your favorite shelf of books or section of the library, and then share it on the Marion County Public Library System Facebook page. You can also upload it to Twitter with the hashtag #MCPLSSelfie (just make sure you have a public profile).

Have you seen the new MCPLS Bookmobile around Marion County? Anytime you spot the Bookmobile in April, take a picture. Share your photo on the Marion County Public Library System Facebook page or Tweet it with the hashtag #SpotTheBookmobile2014 (once again, make sure your Twitter profile is public).

Once you’ve shared your MCPLS Shelfie or Spot the Bookmobile photo on the MCPLS Facebook page or Twitter, you will automatically be entered to a drawing for a Library Lover’s Prize Package. You must be a MCPLS library card holder over the age of 13 to win. Drawings will be held on May 1st.

April 14 - 19
FINE FREE WEEK

Playaways
Audio
The Collector by Nora Roberts
Destroyer Angel by Nevada Barr
If You Stay by Courtney Cole
Keep Quiet by Lisa Scottoline
Night Driver by Elizabeth Lowell
The Target by David Baldacci

Views
Kids Video Guide to Charlott’s Sesame Street Music with Elmo
Tumblebooks Health Class
Weird Animals

Bestsellers Expected in April

Print
Carnal Curiosity by Stuart Woods
Cavendon Hall by Barbara Taylor Bradford
Chesnut Street by Maeve Binchy
Death Come Quickly by Susan Wittig Albert
Destroyer Angel by Nevada Barr
A Family Affair by Fern Michaels
High Crime Area by Joyce Carol Oates
I’ve Got You Under my Skin by Mary Higgins Clark
Just 18 Summers by Michelle Cox
Keep Quiet by Lisa Scottoline
Live to See Tomorrow by Iris Johansen
Night Driver by Elizabeth Lowell
Otherwise Engaged by Amanda Quick
Peacemaker by C. J. Cherryh
The Target by David Baldacci
Transhuman by Ben Bova

Large Print
Be Careful What You Wish For by Jeffrey Archer
The Bootlegger by Clive Cussler
The Chance by Robin Carr
And the Dark Sacred Night by Julia Glass
Death on Blackheath by Anne Perry
I’ve Got You Under my Skin by Mary Higgins Clark
Keep Quiet by Lisa Scottoline
Mrs. Lincoln’s Rival by Jennifer Chiaverini

DVDs
47 Ronin
Anchorman 2
August: Osage County
Black Nativity
Devil’s Due
Grudge Match
Homefront
Inside Llewyn Davis
Killing Kennedy
Oldboy
Out of the Furnace
The Secret Life of
Walter Mitty
Paranormal Activity 5
Philomena
Reduce, Reuse, Recycle, READ!

Kids and adults alike will have a chance to learn some recycling tips and make some fun crafts on Saturday, April 5th. The library is proud to host the Solid Waste Authority beginning at 11:00 a.m. Kids are invited to create a special craft using recycled materials, enjoy fun recycling games, take home an activity book and a special story reading will be presented at 12:00 p.m. Adults will be treated to free materials including medication disposal kits and Proper Disposal Handbooks, and a presentation on the History of Disposal will begin at 2:00. We only get one world. Join us for this fun informative day full of ideas to help us save our natural resources.

And speaking of recycling, take the opportunity to visit the newly stocked Book Cave as the Friends of the Library hold their first monthly booksale of 2014. Shop from 9:00-4:00, Saturday, April 5th and browse through thousands of newly acquired donations.

Blackout Poetry

In April, the MCPL Teen Crafternoon is celebrating National Poetry Month with a Blackout Poetry Workshop. Express your linguistic creativity with a Sharpie and old book pages on April 7th at 4:30 p.m. Finished poems will be displayed in the library.

Sharpie Mugs, Anyone?

Our Adult craft class was cancelled due to weather in March, so we will be creating our Sharpie Mugs this month. Join us Monday, April 21st at 5:00 p.m. All materials will be provided, simply come with a creative design in mind! Space is limited, so call 304-366-1210 to sign up.

Teen Chess Club

The Teen Chess Club will meet on April 14th from 10:00-2:00 The club is open to all teens in grades 6 - 12. You don’t have to be a skilled chess player to attend; other tabletop games will also be available to play. Snacks and drinks will be provided.

Want to Hear Classic Literature On-the-Go?

Our newest electronic resource, OneClickDigital offers hundreds of unabridged audiobooks to download for free. Available as an app for your pc, android or apple device, this site allows you to download and listen to classic literature anytime, anywhere. Try such timeless favorites such as Last of the Mohicans, The Scarlet Letter, The Wizard of Oz, Treasure Island, The Time Machine, and White Fang. Many titles to chose from, and all you need to get started is your library card!

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FINE FREE WEEK
**Friends Book Sale** when you’re ready to spring clean your membership or joining the Friends. Also, remember the All Friends and patrons are invited to the quarterly meet-drive in three years. Flyers will be going out this month.

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**Spring Cleaning at the Marion Co. Humane Society**

The Marion Co. Humane Society is a non-profit organization completely dependent upon donations. They do not euthanize animals. Their goal is to find safe and loving homes for all of the animals within the shelter where every day is Spring Cleaning for the staff and volunteers. The Mannington Public Library is helping them collect some of the cleaning supplies needed in the day to day operation of the shelter. Donations are always welcome, and we can really make a difference with the animal’s health and hygiene by dropping off items on their wish list such as bleach, laundry detergent, Pine-sol, Dawn, rubber gloves, cat litter, bones, and rawhides.

Spring is also a great time to think about a new family pet. To view a list of adoptable pets go to www.petfinder.com/shelters/wv04.html.

**Drive in Move/Car Show**

Children are encouraged to design a box car, enter it in our CAR SHOW, and park it at our Drive-In Movie. The car show will begin at 10:00 a.m. Saturday, April 12, the Drive-in movie featuring Frozen will begin at 11:00 a.m. We will have free concessions for all who attend. Don’t forget the comfy cushion seat!

**After-School Craft**

Lives Changes @ your library! Celebrate National Library Week April 14-19. Fine Free Week; a great time to return long overdue items (no fines, no questions)

A week of activities:
Get a New or Update an existing library card—enter to win a $50.00 gas card. Spin-the-Wheel with each visit. Enter the Grand Prize drawing each time you check out. Support Teen Literature Day, April 17-Teens can pull lollipops with each check-out for a chance to win a B & N gift card.

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**Hopping Into Storytime**

Toddler Time, Story Hour, and Circle Time classes spring into April with the featured weekly themes of *Chicka, Chicka—Read!, Hoppy Easter—Easter Party, Follow the Reading Rainbow, and Tweet, Tweet—Read! Mrs. Alicia also invites children to Hop Away with a Good Book during our monthly coloring workshop. Our Juvenile Patron Appreciation Basket Giveaway continues in April; children who present their library card when checking out can fill out a ticket for the drawing, with one entry being randomly chosen as the winner. And, the Circle Time Readers Club winning class from Fairview Elementary will be treated to the reward activity of their choice at the end of the month. Be sure to note, however, that there will be no classes the week of April 14-18 due to Spring Break.

**An April Shower of Library Activities**

The third, and final, installment of our popular *Blind Date* reading program concludes in April. This time around it’s *A-Tisket, A-Tasket, Read Some Books—Win a Basket!* Just as before, you won’t know what book you’ve got till you’ve check it out and unwrapped it. For each Basket title you check out, read, and review, you will be entered into a drawing for a gift basket that will be awarded to one lucky winner drawn at random on April 30th. Books will be displayed until April 21st, and reviews must be submitted by April 29th. The more you read and review, the better your chances of winning.

To highlight *National Poetry Month* adult patrons (ages 18 -up) are encouraged to express themselves on our Give Us Your Best Lines magnetic sightwords dry erase board. Arrange the various words available into a witty saying, declarations of love, or silly limerick—be creative! —and receive a library coupon of your choice.

Also, our monthly trivia competition, *What Do You Know About That?* Continues on April 24th from 9 a.m.—4 p.m. with more pop culture, sports, and history topics to test your wits. A prize will be awarded to the individual with the top score. Patrons ages 14-up are eligible to partici-pate.

Last, but not least, the featured guessing game at the Circulation Desk is *Jumping Jellybeans*. Give us your best estimate of the number of jellybeans in the jar, be the closest without going over, and win!

**April 14 - 19**

**FINE FREE WEEK**
Marion County Public Library

Calendar of Events

Marion County Public Library

- Apr 1-30: Art by Jack Holmes
- Apr 1-30: Show Us Your Shelfie Contest
- Apr 1-30: Spot the Bookmobile Contest
- Apr 5: Friends Book Sale 9:00-4:00
- Apr 5: Reduce, Reuse, Recycle, READ! Event
- Apr 7: Teen Crafternoon
- Apr 2,3,9,10,16,17,24,25: Story Hour
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- Apr 14: Teen Chess Club
- Apr 14: Awesome Readers’ Club
- Apr 14-19 National Library Week; Fine Free Week
- Apr 16: Book It! Meeting at MCPLS
- Apr 19: Meet the Artist. 10:00-12:00
- Apr 21: Adult Craft Class

Fairview Branch

- Apr 7,21,28: Toddler Time
- Apr 1-30: A-Tisket, A-Tasket, Read-win a basket
- Apr 1-30: Magnetic Sight-words Activity
- Apr 1-30: Coloring Workshop
- Apr 1-30: Juvenile Patron Apprec. Basket Giveaway
- Apr 1-30: Jumping Jellybeans Guessing Game
- Apr 1,8,15,22,29: Tuesday Nite Knitters
- Apr 1,22: Circle Time 2
- Apr 2,3,9,10,23,24,30: Story Hour
- Apr 8, 29: Circle Time 1
- Apr 14-19: National Library Week; Fine Free Week
- Apr 22: Speaking of Books
- Apr 24: What Do You Know About That? Trivia
- Apr 25: Page Turners

Mannington Branch

- Apr 1,2,8,9,15,16,22,23,29,30: Story Hour
- Apr 4,11,18,25: Book Sale 10:00-4:00
- Apr 5,12,18,26: Book Sale 9:00-1:00
- Apr 6-19: Mannington Middle Art Exhibit
- Apr 7,14,21,28: Toddler Time
- Apr 7,14,21,28: Monday Nite Knitters
- Apr 12: Kids Drive-in Movie and Car Show
- Apr 14-19: National Library Week; Fine Free Week
- Apr 17: Cover2Cover

New E-Books

666 Park Avenue by Gabriella Pierce
An Amish Miracle by Beth Wiseman
Carolina Gold by Dorothy Love
Dear Bully by Megan Kelley Hall
Hard as You Can by Laura Kaye
Homemade Sin by Kathy Hogan Trocheck
Inside Out and Back Again by Thanhha Lai
A Miracle of Hope by Ruth Reid
Natalie-Birthday Wishes by Colleen Coble
Night Light by Terri Blackstock
Romancing the Duke by Tessa Dare
Slow Getting Up by Nate Jackson
Smitten Book Club by Colleen Coble
Sneak by Evan Angler
Surviving Hitler by Andrea Warren

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**Fairmont**

**Book It!** will meet on Wednesday, April 16th at 6:00 at the library to discuss *The Dovekeepers* by Alice Hoffman.

In 70 C. E., nine hundred Jews held out for months against armies of Romans on Masada, a mountain in the Judean desert. According to the ancient historian Josephus, two women and five children survived. Based on this tragic and iconic event, Hoffman’s novel is a spellbinding tale of four extraordinarily bold, resourceful, and sensuous women, each of whom has come to Masada by a different path.~Bookjacket

**The Awesome Readers’ Club** will meet April 14th at 4:30 p.m. to discuss *The Disreputable History of Frankie Landau-Banks* by E. Lockhart.

Sophomore Frankie starts dating senior Matthew Livingston, but when he refuses to talk about the all-male secret society that he and his friends belong to, Frankie infiltrates the society in order to enliven their mediocre pranks.

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.

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**Fairview**

**Page Turners** will meet March 28th to discuss *Eat, Pray, Love* by Elizabeth Gilbert.

At the age of thirty-one, Gilbert moved with her husband to the suburbs of New York and began trying to get pregnant, only to realize that she wanted neither a child nor a husband. Three years later, after a protracted divorce, she embarked on a yearlong trip of recovery with three main stops: Rome, Mumbai, and Bali...~Amazon

**Mannington**

**Cover 2 Cover** will meet Thursday, April 17th at 1:30 to discuss *We Bought a Zoo* by Benjamin Mee.

When Benjamin Mee decided to uproot his family and move them to an unlikely new home—a dilapidated zoo where more than 200 exotic animals would be their new neighbors—his friends and colleagues thought he was crazy. Mee’s dream was to refurbish the zoo and run it as a family business.

Tragedy strikes with the loss of Ben’s wife, forcing Benn and his children to face terrible heartbreak.~Amazon

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**Speaking of Books** will meet March 25th to discuss *The Great Fire* by Shirley Hazzard.

The year is 1947. The great fire of the Second World War has convulsed Europe and Asia. In its wake, Aldred Leith, and acclaimed hero of the conflict, has spent two years in China at work on an account of world-transforming change there. Son of a famed and sexually ruthless novelist, Leith begins to resist his own self-sufficiency nurtured by war.~Amazon