Getting Ready for School

It’s August and time to get ready for another school year. While you’re out shopping for supplies, why not stop in at the library? There are some great back to school programs happening this month to help get you ready for the year ahead.

The Fairview Public Library will host a Back to School program on August 13th from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. with games and activities for school age children. The Marion County Public Library will hold a Back to School Craftnoon for teens on August 17th at 1:00 p.m. They will be making no-sew t-shirt totes and marble magnets. Sign-up for this program is required, and participants should bring an old t-shirt and magazines.

School time is also report time. Don’t forget the library offers databases that students can use for homework help. All you need is a library card. Some great ones to try: CultureGrams, EBSCO Research Databases, eLibrary Science, Grolier for Younger Readers, Grolier Multimedia Online, Kids Search, LearningExpressLibrary, NoveList Plus, NoveList Plus K-8, ProQuest Learning Literature, and Searchasaurus.

Our library website also offers copies of the Times West Virginian from December ’07 to present, Zinio Digital Magazines, America’s Newspapers, and America’s News Magazines.

For those doing projects on family, we offer America’s Genealogy Bank, HeritageQuest Genealogy, and Ancestry Library Edition*.

Students preparing for college can check out ePrep Online for Libraries. This site offers test prep for ACT, SAT, PSAT, and PLAN.

If you need help navigating any of these resources, stop in or call Michelle at the Marion County Public Library. She’ll be glad to help get you started!

*This site accessible from library computers only.
August is a Great Month to...

Get the scoop on weather with WBOY Meteorologist Tony J. Amormino. He will be at the Marion County Public Library on Friday, August 2nd at 2:00 p.m. to share information about Mother Nature and how it affects us.

The Library is proud to present Mobile Planetarium’s Dome Theater on August 3rd from 9:30-4:30. Special movies will be presented every half hour. Showing will be: Passport to the Universe @ 9:30, 11:30, 1:30; Dinosaur Prophecy @ 10:00, 12:00, 2:00, 3:30; Force Five @ 10:30, 12:30, 2:30; Night of the Titanic @ 11:00, 1:00,3:00. Shows are free to the public on a first come, first served basis.

MCPLS, City of Fairmont, MCPARC, and Main Street Fairmont present a Movie in the Park on August 2nd @ 9:00 p.m. at Palatine Park. Join us first for a fun craft from 5:00-7:00 on 2nd Street at Fairmont’s First Friday Arts and Crafts Series. Then follow the Yellow Brick Road to the park for Oz, the Great and Powerful. It’s all free to the public, and popcorn and refreshments will be provided.

The library joins Comic Paradise Plus in the second annual PopCon on Saturday, August 24 & 25 at Mylan Park in Morgantown. The event is open Saturday 10:00-7:00, and Sunday 11:00-5:00. Special programs, authors, and entertainment will be the order of the day at this much anticipated event.

Black Diamonds Coal Exhibit will be open through the month of August at the Marion County Public Library during regular library hours. Admission is free. Come view this interactive exhibit and feel what it was like to be a coal miner at the turn of the century. Stop by August 20th starting at 9:00 a.m. for free refreshments and tours to celebrate our Open House. Special ‘after hours’ events will begin from 5:00-7:00 p.m.

There will be a public art exhibit at the Mannington Public Library August 12-31. Local artists are encouraged to submit their work for showcasing. All ages are welcome along with any medium. For more information, call the library at 304-986-2803.

Author Linda Stevenski will hold a book signing at the Mannington library on August 10 from 10:00-1:00. She is the author of The Ghost of Maple Road and They Came to the Mine. Copies will be available for purchase.

There’s plenty to do at the library in the month of August, so visit us often. Call your local library for more information on these and other events.

### Bestsellers Expected in August

#### Print
- **The Beast** by Faye Kellerman
- **Blind Justice** by Anne Perry
- **Burn** by Maya Banks
- **The Companions** by R. A. Salvatore
- **The Daughters of Mars** by Thomas Keneally
- **It Happens in the Dark** by Carol O’Conner
- **Hotshot** by Julie Garwood
- **The Kill List** by Frederick Forsyth
- **The Last Kiss Goodbye** by Karen Robards
- **The Last Witness** by W.E.B. Griffin
- **Mistress** by James Patterson
- **Tell No Lies** by Greg Hurwitz
- **The Third Kingdom** by Terry Goodkind
- **Tragic** by Robert K. Tanenbaum
- **The Whole Enchilada** by Diane Mott Davidson

#### Large Print
- **Bombshell** by Catherine Coulter
- **Hidden Order** by Brad Thor
- **Light of the World** by James Lee Burke
- **Mistress** by James Patterson
- **The Newcomer** by Robyn Carr
- **One Heart to Win** by Johanna Lindsey
- **Sea Glass Island** by Sherryl Woods
- **Sweet Salt Air** by Barbara Delinsky
- **The Tattered Quilt** by Wanda E. Brunstetter
- **True Love** by Jude Deveraux

#### DVDs
- **42**
- **5 Souls**
- **Aftershock**
- **Bullet to the Head**
- **G I Joe Retaliation**
- **The Great Gatsby**
- **The Host**
- **Magic Magic**
- **Olympus has Fallen**
- **Pain & Gain**
- **Political Animals**
- **The Sapphires**
- **Scary Movie 5**
**Story Hour Resumes**

Story Hour sign-up will begin August 26th. Story hour is open to pre-school age children (generally 3-5 years of age), and meets weekly on either Wednesdays or Thursdays at 10:30 a.m. The program starts September 11th and 12th and continues weekly through December when we take a holiday break, then resumes in the New Year for the spring term.

**Weather Works with Tony J Amormino**

WBOY Meteorologist Tony J Amormino comes to the library to share information about the impressive forces of nature and how it affects us. Neither rain nor sleet nor snow will keep him from giving his forecasts each day at 5:00 a.m. and noon! Join us Friday, August 2nd, at 2:00 p.m. as Tony J shares with us the wonders of Mother Nature and what a meteorologist does.

**Movies in the Park**

Our next Movie in the Park Event is happening Friday, August 2, at 9:00 p.m. We will be showing Oz, the Great and Powerful at Palatine Park. This is a free event open to the public. Popcorn and drinks will be provided. Join the Marion County Public Library, City of Fairmont, Main Street Fairmont, and MCPARC as we bring you quality family entertainment!

**Goodbye Summer, Hello School!**

Teen Summer Reading wraps up with two final programs. First, we'll have a special MuVChat screening of t-movie Night of the Lepus on August 8th at 1:00 p.m. Refreshments will be served. Make sure to bring your cell, so you can text jokes and comments right to the screen. We’ll finish off Beneath the Surface with a trivia contest on August 10th at 1:00 p.m. Show off your knowledge of random facts and win some prizes! Don’t forget to place all your completed BINGO cards in the raffle box before August 10th, so you can have a chance to win a Samsung Galaxy Tab.

School is just around the corner. MCPL invites teens to a special Back-to-School Crafternoon on August 17th at 1:00 p.m. We will make a no-sew t-shirt tote to hold all your books and marble magnets to decorate your locker. Bring an old t-shirt and magazines with you. Sign-up is required.

**Adult Summer Reading Wraps Up**

Groundbreaking Reads wraps up with our grand prize drawing of a Samsung Galaxy Tab on Monday, August 12th. Make sure to turn in your completed reading logs to be eligible for the drawing.

**Adult Craft Class**

August’s crafters will be making a duct tape purse/tote on Tuesday, August 20th at 5:00 p.m. Bring 3 or 4 roles of duct tape and a piece of scrap material for the lining. Your lining needs to be twice the size of your finished purse. Sign-up is required.

Call Julie at 304-366-1210 or email jmike@mcpls.org with any questions.

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**MCPLS Bookmobile**

**ROUTE SCHEDULE**

**Autumn 2013**

**MONDAY**

- Whitehall: 9:30-10:30
  - Bright Beginnings Day Care
  - [2nd & 4th Week]
- Monongah: 11:00-12:00
  - First United Methodist Day Care
- Hutchinson: 1:45-2:45
  - Woodlands Assisted Living

**TUESDAY**

- Grant Town: 9:30-10:30
  - Community Center lot
- Fairmont Senior Center: 11:00-12:00
  - Maplewood Drive
  - [1st & 3rd Week]
- Rivesville: 10:30-11:30
  - Heart Junction Child Care
  - [2nd & 4th Week]
- Genesis/Wishing Well: 2:30-3:30
  - Country Club Road
  - [1st & 3rd Week]
- Disability Action Center: 2:30-3:30
  - 102 Bononi Ave.
  - [2nd & 4th Week]
- East Park Boys & Girls Club: 3:45-4:45
  - East Park Elementary
  - [2nd & 4th 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**

- East Grafton Road: 9:30-10:30
  - Stepping Stone, Inc.
- Sunbeam Child Care: 11:00-12:00
  - Mary Lou Retton Drive
  - [2nd & 4th Week]
- Disability Action Center: 11:00-12:00
  - 102 Benoni Ave.
  - [1st & 3rd Week]
- Rock Lake: 2:00-3:00
  - Community Center
- Colfax: 3:30-4:30
  - Community Center

*schedule subject to change, call 304-366-1210*
**Digital Device Show and Tell**
Here’s an opportunity to get information about popular eReader models and how to borrow digital books from the Library. Join us with Michelle Ross presenting, Wednesday, August 7th @ 2:00 p.m.

**Monday Knitters**
Our knitting group meets all year long and welcomes all—beginners, intermediate, and advanced knitters. Join us on Mondays at the library starting at 4:30 p.m.

**Meet the Author & Book Signing**
Join Linda Stevenski as she presents her newly released titles *The Ghost of Maple Road* and *They Came to the Mine*, Saturday, August 10th from 10:00-1:00 p.m. These books are intended for older children and adult readers. She will have copies available for purchase and will sign any one of her books you may already own.

**Public Art Exhibit**
We are inviting the public to bring their art to the library for a local art exhibit to run August 12-31. This is a wonderful opportunity to showcase your art. The exhibit is open to all ages and all mediums. Please call the library for more information.

**Storyhour and Toddler Time**
Meet Miss Melissa at our special Story hour and Toddler Time Registration on Monday, August 26th at 6:00 p.m. Preschool programs begin in September. Space is limited, so plan to stop by and sign up!

**Programs for the Body and Mind**
Trivia is back! What Do You Know About That? Trivia contest returns on August 29th from 9:00-3:00. Patrons ages 14-up are eligible to participate. Our monthly drawing for the candy/items canister guessing game will again be featured at the Circ Desk from August 1-30. Submit a new guess each day you visit. Winners will be notified by phone on August 30. Back by popular demand, Miss Kitty will offer her words of wisdom on herbs, organic foods, and all-natural cleaning products on August 27th from 5:00-6:00. Visit the library and give your mind and body a tune-up!

**Endings and Beginnings**
With summer drawing to a close and another successful Summer Reading Program at an end, it’s time for Mrs. Alicia to begin preparation for her fall semester of Toddler Time and Story Hour. To kick things off, she will again be featuring Bookies, Cookies, and Milk on August 6 from 9:00 - 1:00 to register children ages 12-23 months for Toddler Time, and children 2-5 years for Story Hour. Registration will be filled with games, crafts, and fun activities for all. Classes are limited on a first come, first served basis, so call or stop in the library for more details.

For our school-age children, we’re going Back to School on August 13th from 11:00-12:00 with more games and activities to help you head into a new school year. And, what would a stop at the library be without a fun coloring activity? Keeping with all things scholarly, it’s a Back to School Coloring Workshop during the month of August.

**Playaways**

**Audio**
- *Beautiful Day* by Elin Hilderbrand
- *Eve of darkness* by Sylvia Day
- *First Sight* by Danielle Steel
- *The Summer Girls* by Mary Alice Monroe
- *Tell Me* by Lisa Jackson
- *Unseen* by Karin Slaughter

**Views**
- *GI Joe Renegades Return of the Arshikage*
- *Magical Stories*
- *My Little Ponies Swarm of the Century*
- *New Electric Company Compromising and More*

**Fine Free Week**
AUG. 12-17
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Marion County Public Library

**Calendar of Events**

**Marion County Public Library**
- August 1-30: Black Diamonds Interactive Coal exhibit
- August 2: Meteorologist Tony J. Amormino
- August 2: First Friday Arts & Crafts Series
- August 2: Movie in the Park, *Oz, the Great and Powerful*
- August 3: Dome Theater
- August 8: MuVChat teen program
- August 10: Trivia Contest teen program
- August 12-17: FINE FREE WEEK
- August 17: Back to School program
- August 19: Awesome Readers’ Club
- August 20: Library Open House
- August 20: Adult Craft Class
- August 24, 25: Popcon at Mylan Park
- August 26: Story Hour sign-up begins

**Fairview Branch**
- August 1-30: Back to School Coloring Workshop
- August 6: Bookies, Cookies, and Milk
- August 6,13,20,27: Tuesday Nite Knitters
- August 12-17: FINE FREE WEEK
- August 13: Back to School Fun
- August 27: Speaking of Books
- August 29: What Do You Know About That? Trivia
- August 30: Page Turners

**Mannington Branch**
- August 2,9,16,23,30: Friends Book Sale. 10-4
- August 3,10,17,24,31: Friends Book Sale 9-1
- August 5,12,19,26: Bookworm to Bikini
- August 5,12,19,26: Knitting Group
- August 7: Digital Device Show & Tell
- August 10: Meet the Author with Linda Stevenski
- August 10: Beneath the Surface prize drawing
- August 12-17: FINE FREE WEEK
- August 12-31: Public Art exhibit
- August 15: Cover2Cover
- August 19: Groundbreaking Reads prize drawing
- August 26: Story hour and Toddler Time Registration

**New E-Books**
- *Between My Father and the King* by Janet Frame
- *Camp Boyfriend* by I. K. Rock
- *Curb Service* by Scot Sotham
- *A Darkness Strange and Lovely* by Susan Dennard
- *How to Honey Boo Boo* by Shannon & Thompson Family
- *Lost Girls* by Robert Kolker
- *Olive’s Ocean* by Keven Henkes
- *Pretty Little Secrets* by Sara Shepard
- *Shot All to Hell* by Mark Lee Gardner
- *The Summer is Ended and We are Not Yet Saved* by Joey Comeau
- *Unbelievable* by Sara Shepard
- *Undercurrent* by Paul Blackwell

**New E-Audio Books**
- *The 5th Wave* by Rick Yancey
- *American Gun* by Chris Kyle
- *The Art of Racing in the Rain* by Garth Stein
- *Big Brother* by Lionel Sriver
- *Cherished* by Maya Banks
- *Kiss Me First* by Lottie Moggach
- *The Last Original Wife* by Dorothea Frank
- *The Lemon Orchard* by Luanne Rice
- *Letters From Skye* by Jessica Brockmole
- *The Ocean at the End of the Lane* by Neil Gaiman

**New Audio Books**
- *The Beast* by Faye Kellerman
- *Bones of the Lost* by Kathy Reichs
- *Compound Fractures* by Stephen White
- *Hotshot* by Julie Garwood
- *How the Light Gets In* by Louise Penny
- *The Last Kiss Goodbye* by Karen Robards
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Hello All!
Soaking up that last month of summer sun and gearing up for another fun filled school year! As a new school season begins, keep in mind that the library is here to assist you with all your projects, homework, and other school needs.

I love the start of school...so much learning and new things ahead. The library is also busy preparing fun events that go with the delights of the upcoming seasons. Story Hour will be starting soon for preschool age children as well as monthly family events.

So, kids, make this a great year and remember to visit the library for school help as well as for fun-filled events!

Marion LiBearian, the Town Librarian