AND THE NOMINEES ARE...

The 66th Annual Prime Time Emmys will be televised Monday, August 25, and I am quite thrilled to see some of my favorites on the list of nominees. Nominated for no less than 24 awards this year are two dramas airing on PBS. Downton Abbey is up for Outstanding Drama Series, Michelle Dockery as Outstanding Actress in a Drama Series, both Maggie Smith and Joanne Froggatt for Outstanding Supporting Actress, Jim Carter for Outstanding Supporting Actor, Paul Giamatti for Outstanding Guest Actor, and 13 nominations to the director and crew for directing, costumes, hairstyling and music composition. The popular miniseries Sherlock is in the running for Outstanding Television Movie, Outstanding Miniseries, Benedict Cumberbatch as Outstanding Actor, Martin Freeman for Outstanding Supporting Actor, and 16 nominations for writing, directing, casting, cinematography, costumes, picture and sound editing, music composition, and sound mixing.

Nominees for Outstanding Comedy Series include The Big Bang Theory and Orange is the New Black, both vying for Outstanding Supporting Actress in a Comedy Series, Outstanding Guest Actor, and several other awards. Jim Parsons is nominated for Outstanding Actor in a Comedy Series, and Taylor Schilling is in the running for Outstanding Actress in a Comedy Series.

The library offers all these, and many other nominated series for your enjoyment. Visit us to check out these and other great titles.

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School is In… So Are We!

Kids will be ‘returning to learning’ this month as school gets back in session. Reports will be due, Presidents will be studied, planets will be looked at, and animals will be dissected! Whether your kids attend public, private, or home schools, the library can help with all areas of study.

With just a library card students of all ages can gain access to every country, continent, sea, river, mountain or forest on earth. They can find pertinent information on every President, inventor, sports star, or activist. They can travel our solar system, look into our internal organs, or create robots. With our online resources students can find out about various authors, cultures, and governments. Tutorials are available for math, science, geography, English and more.

Teenagers can practice for ACTs and SATs. They can complete resumes and learn how to compose the all-important cover letter.

We can also help with down time in the form of 24/7 digital downloads of today’s hottest music, digital movies, ebooks, and e-audio books. Downloadable magazine are available also.

For the more traditional, we have thousands of print materials, including a well-stocked WV section that includes biographies, histories, and fiction by some of West Virginia’s most inspiring authors.

If you need a library card, they are free, parents are required to be present when filling out a child’s application. Stop in today to get access to the world!
National Exhibit to visit library

August is the last month to visit Brain Teasers 2, a national interactive exhibit on loan from The Oregon Museum of Science and Industry. The exhibit will be open to the public from 10:00-12:00, and 3:00-7:00 Mondays and Tuesdays; 10:00-12:00 and 1:00-5:00 Wednesdays - Fridays; and 9:30-3:30 on Saturdays.

Brain Teasers 2 features a variety of intriguing brain teasers—from mathematical conundrums to mind-boggling block puzzles—for visitors of all ages. To solve these puzzles, visitors use creative-thinking and problem-solving strategies, such as looking for patterns, logical reasoning, thinking ahead, setting aside preconceived ideas, and looking at problems from different perspectives. Don’t miss your chance to solve these teasers before they’re gone!

Bestsellers Expected in August

Print

Bittersweet by Colleen McCullough
Cold Cold Heart by Tami Hoag
Designated Daughters by Margaret Moran
Eden in Winter by Richard North Patterson
Fatal Conceit by Robert K. Tenenbaum
Her Last Whisper by Karen Robards
The House of the Four Winds by Mercedes Lackey
Mean Streak by Sandra Brown
Private Down Under by James Patterson
Rise of the King by R. A. Salvatore
Severed Souls by Terry Goodkind
Throne of Stars by David Weber
Top Secret by W. E. B. Griffin

Large Print

The City by Dean Koontz
Nine Lives to Die by Rita Mae Brown
Power Play by Catherine Coulter
The Promise by Robyn Carr
Stormy Persuasion by Johanna Lindsey
Take Me Home by Dorothy Garlock
Terminal City by Linda Fairstein
Wayfaring Stranger by James Lee Burke

DVDs

Amazing Spider-Man 2
Divergent
Fading Gigolo
God’s Not Dead
Locke
Muppets Most Wanted
Need for Speed
Oculus
The Quiet Ones
Sabotage
Transcendence

Audio

Everything I Never Told You by Celeste Ng
The Girls of August by Anne Rivers Siddons
The Heist by Daniel Silva
The Initiate by Veronica Roth
If I Leave You by Courtney Cole
Love by Degree by Debbie Macomber
The Perfect Hope by Nora Roberts
A Perfect Life by Danielle Steel
Remains of Innocence by J. A. Jance
Sight Unseen by Iris Johansen
The Silken Web by Sandra Brown
The Son by Veronica Roth
The Sweet Spot by Stephanie Evanovich
The Traitor by Veronica Roth

Views

Crocs and Cousins
How’d they Build that Fire Truck?
Meet the Sight Words 1
Sesame Street Cooking and Learning with Elmo
**Story Hour**

Story Hour is just around the corner. Sign up begins August 18th. The popular weekly program is open for children pre-school age, generally 3-5 years. Story Hour will meet Wednesdays and Thursdays at 10:30. The fall semester runs September through early December, and will begin on September 10th. Each week will cover a special theme that incorporates stories, hands-on projects, audio visuals, and more. Call the library at 304-366-1210 for more information or to register.

**Literary Elements**

Registration is closed for the adult summer reading program, and the race is on to see who can read the most by August 31st. Top three readers will win an ereader, so keep reading/listening and turn in those logs by the 31st! Additional copies can be obtained at the circulation desk. Good Luck!

**Elements of Relaxation**

August 18th at 5:00 is our next craft class. Due to unforeseen difficulties, our Fairy Garden Craft has been postponed till this date. There are still a few slots available, participants will need to bring a container for planting, and any miniatures they like. Stones, furniture, fairies, anything small to decorate your garden. Call the library today to sign up!

**Spark a Reaction Awards Party**

Get your reading logs in by July 31st for a chance to win a $75 gift card to Barnes & Noble. All those receiving an invitation to the awards party can join us Saturday, August 9th from 6:00-8:00 for games, snacks, and prizes!

**Teen Crafternoon**

Our next Teen Crafternoon will be Wednesday, August 13th at 2:00. We’ll make some killer locker magnets out of bottle caps and duct tape key rings. Bring small pictures of family, friends, pets, anything. We’ll copy them so you won’t ruin your memories. Sign up is limited, so call today to register!

**August Movie in the Park**

Join us at Palatine Park on August 9th beginning at 3:30 for F.A.M.E. 2014. Free music will be presented from 3:30-8:30, and the library will present a free screening of *Divergent* at 9:00. Free popcorn and drinks will be available, so come for the day to enjoy the new splash park, some great music, and a brand new movie. Fairmont is the place to be!
Literary Elements

Opportunity knocks! Two more dates to earn entries for the iPad. Join us for an Ebook Device Q & A on Saturday, August 2nd at 11:00 to meet a challenge, and stop by on Playaway Day Monday, August 5th between 2:00 and 5:00 to meet our Playaway representative and receive a demonstration on new Playaway products...earn 10 more entries. Also, August 5th at 5:00, we’ll be drawing for the iPad. Good Luck!

Spark a Reaction

Time is running out. You still have opportunities to meet challenges: August 11th, we’ll show our double feature; Frankenstein at 12:00, intermission, A Wrinkle in Time at 2:00. August 18th we’ll have our final day of activities and drawings at 12:00.

Movie Night at the Library

Grab a ticket. We will be featuring Muppets Most Wanted on August 18th at 5:30. Everyone is welcome. Refreshments will be provided.

Story-Time and School Age Stories Registration

We’re having a registration event, introducing Jami Trowbridge as our new Youth Service Specialist. Jami officially assumed her new role this summer providing a wonderful Fizz, Boom, Read summer program. Jami uses meaningful literacy activities, such as reading, singing and playing with children; techniques proven to impact a child’s brain developments and subsequently help provide them with the prereading skills they need to start school. She intends to provide Story Time for pre-school children on Wednesday mornings at 10:30 and introduce a new program School-Age Stories for K-2 and 3-4 grades on Monday evenings. We encourage parents to use our library and our library programs to instill the love of reading in their children. Registration required for both programs.

Registration event: Monday, August 25th, 4:00-6:00. Call 304-986-2803 for more information.

Friends Book Sale

We’re receiving boxes and boxes of new donations on a regular basis now. If you’re looking for books in great condition, check us out on Fridays from 10:00-4:00 and Saturdays from 9:00-1:00.

The Children’s Corner

The Summer Reading Program may be over, but that doesn’t mean there aren’t more fun-filled reading activities to be found in the library this fall. Mrs. Alicia gets things started with her annual Cookies, Bookies, and Milk on August 25th from 9:00-1:00. During this program, parents can register children ages 12-23 months for Toddler Time and children ages 2-5 years for Story Hour. The program will feature games, crafts, and fun activities for all. Fall Story Time classes are on a limited first come, first served basis, so call or stop in the library for more details. And, our Back to School program returns on August 12th from 11:00-12:00 for children ages 5-up. We’ll be providing games, crafts, and a goodies bag to help you head into a new school year. And, our monthly coloring workshop for August is Blast Off with a Good Book.

The More You Know

With summer nearly over, the dog days of August will soon be upon us. To that end, we will be featuring an entryway display to celebrate dog days. Check out John Grogan’s Marley & Me, Dean Koontz’ A Little Life, or The New Yorker’s Big Book of Dogs. Kids can find fun between the pages of the various Biscuit or Clifford the Big Red Dog picture books. Movies such as Marmaduke, Marley & Me, and Shiloh are entertaining for the whole family.

Trivia fun continues on August 28th from 9:00-4:00 with What Do You Know About That? Patrons ages 14-up are eligible to participate.

On August 26th from 5:00-6:00, Mrs. Kitty will be sharing her knowledge during An Evening with Kitty Hinkle, Our Resident Naturalist. Want to know what’s really in your soap, shampoo, plastics, and other everyday household items? Come join us...her answers may surprise you.

Take a guess at how many Starbursts are in the jar at the circulation desk in our Start Back to School guessing game. Entries will be collected between August 1-29, and the person who guesses closest without going over wins the jar!

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Marion County Public Library

**Marion County Public Library**
- Aug 1: Hampstead Stage Company; *King Arthur* @ 2:00
- Aug 1: First Friday Arts & Music Series 5:00-9:00
- Aug 9: Teen Summer Reading Party; 6:00-8:00
- Aug 9: Movie in the Park 9:00 p.m.
- Aug 18: Adult Craft Class; 5:00
- Aug 18: Sign up for Story Hour begins
- Aug 23, 24: PopCon @ Mylan Park, Mgntr.
- Aug 25: Awesome Readers’ Club @ 4:30

**Fairview Branch**
- Aug 1 - 29: Coloring Workshop
- Aug 1 - 29 Start Back to School Guessing Game
- Aug 5,12,19,26: Tuesday Nite Knitters
- Aug 12: Back to School Fun
- Aug 25: Bookies, Cookies, and Milk begins
- Aug 26: Speaking of Books
- Aug 26: An Evening with Kitty Hinkle
- Aug 28: What Do You Know About That? Trivia
- Aug 29: Page Turners

**Mannington Branch**
- Aug 2: ebook Device Q & A @ 11:00
- Aug 4: Closing @ 3:00 p.m.
- Aug 5: Playaway Day Demonstrations; 2-5:00
- Aug 5: Literary Elements Drawing
- Aug 11: Spark a Reaction Double Feature; 12:00
- Aug 18: Spark a Reaction Finale; 12:00
- Aug 18: Movie Night @ the Library; 5:30
- Aug 21: Cover2Cover, 1:30
- Aug 25: Storytime & School-Age Stories Registration; 4:00-6:00
- Aug 4,11,18,25: Monday Nite Knitters; 4:30
- Aug 1,8,15,22,29: Freeze Pop Friday
- Aug 1,8,15,22,29: Friends Book Sale 10:00-4:00
- Aug 2,9,16,23,30: Friends Book Sale 9:00-1:00

**New E-Books**
- **Breakwater Bay** by Shelley Noble
- **Critical Conditions** by Martine Ehrenclou
- **Cut and Thrust** by Stuart Woods
- **Laced with Desire** by Jaci Burton
- **A Mermaid's Ransom** by Joey W. Hill
- **Murder at the Breakers** by Alyssa Maxwell
- **Once Pregnant, Twice Shy** by Red Garnier
- **Redemption** by Shelley Shepard Gray
- **Saving CeeCee Honeycut** by Beth Hoffman
- **A Sea of Troubles** by Donna Leon
- **The Take Charge Patient** by Martine Ehrenclou
- **U. S. Presidents** by Ken Jennings

**New E-Audio Books**
- **Black Horse Creek** by Charles G. West
- **The Bone House** by Stephen Lawhead
- **Cut and Thrust** by Stuart Woods
- **Devil to Pay** by Jeaniene Frost
- **A Fatal Grace** by Louise Penny
- **The Fountainhead** by Ayn Rand
- **Never Let Me Go** by Kazuo Ishiguro
- **The Painter** by Peter Heller
- **A Shiver of Light** by Laurell K. Hamilton
- **Sole Survivor** by Dean Koontz
- **Summer House** by Nancy Thayer

**New Audio Books**
- **The Beautiful Ashes** by Jeaniene Frost
- **Bones Never Lie** by Kathy Reichs
- **Close to Home** by Lisa Jackson
- **Cold Cold Heart** by Tami Hoag
- **Deadly Assets** by W. E. B. Griffin
- **Hunted** by Randy Wayne White
- **Her Last Whisper** by Karen Robards
- **Heroes are my Weakness** by Susan Philips
- **The Long Way Home** by Louise Penny
- **Love Letters** by Debbie Macomber
- **One Kick** by Chelsea Cain
- **The Outsider** by Barbara Delinsky
- **Private Down Under** by James Patterson
- **The Sixth Extinction** by James Rollins
- **Top Secret** by W. E. B. Griffin

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Hello All!

It’s that time of year again! Back to School. As the busses are getting ready and you count down the last days of summer vacation, keep the library in mind for all your school needs. We continue to provide you with all the resources to assist you with projects, reports and more.

Manny and Farris are headed back to school and are eager to see all their friends. They’ve had a blast this summer spending time with their Aunt Marion at the libraries. We hope you enjoyed your summer as much as we have.

We look forward to another exciting school year! Look for all our upcoming fun programs and everything the library has to offer.

Marion LiBearian, the Town Librarian

**Fairmont**

*Book It!*  We will resume meetings on September 17th. Meetings will be held at the Literacy Volunteers Classroom located at 601 Locust Avenue. Books will be available for sign-out Monday, August 11th. The selection for September is *Three Cups of Tea* by Greg Mortenson.

*Three Cups of Tea* is the astonishing, uplifting story of a real-life Indiana Jones and his humanitarian campaign to use education to combat terrorism in the Taliban’s backyard. Anyone who disperses of the individual’s power to change lives has to read this story. ~ Amazon

**Speaking of Books** will meet August 26th to discuss *12 Angry Men* by Reginald Rose.

A blistering character study and an examination of the American melting pot and the judicial system that keeps it in check, *12 Angry Men* holds at its core a deeply patriotic belief in the U.S. legal system. ~ GoodReads

**Page Turners** will meet August 29th to discuss *The Housekeeper and the Professor* by Yoko Ogawa.

He is a brilliant math Professor with a peculiar problem—ever since a traumatic head injury, he has lived with only eighty minutes of short-term memory. She is an astute young Housekeeper—she is hired to care for the professor. ~ Amazon

**Mannington**

*Cover 2 Cover* will meet August 21st at 1:30 to discuss *The Trees* by Conrad Richter.

*The Trees* is a moving novel of the beginning of the American trek to the west. The Lucketts, a wild, woods-faring family, lived their roaming life, pushing ever westward as the frontier advanced and as new settlements threatened their isolation. ~ Amazon
Back To School
You Are Cordially Invited…

Each library branch in our system has its own Friends of the Library group. These wonderful volunteers help with library programming, run our book sales, raise money for library supplies and equipment, and work tirelessly for the good of our staff and patrons. They are always looking for new members with a little extra time who are interested in working with some great people.

If you are interested in joining the Friends group, please contact your preferred branch below for information on yearly membership dues. Detach this form and mail it along with your dues ($25: Patron, $5: Individual) to the appropriate address. Your help and participation would be greatly appreciated!

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