I am so ready, like most of you are, to usher away these blustery, cold winter days. I have been searching for just the right movies to keep my spirits high to get me through until spring, and I think I have found two that you just may enjoy as well. With several nominations and wins in various categories, the 2012 award winning movie *The Help*, is enchanting and inspirational, full of surprises and moments so uplifting, it is hard not to cheer for the film’s many heroines. *The Help*, based on the bestselling novel, portrays a time in American history at the cusp of the civil rights movement, and the courageous lengths that a suppressed minority went through to make their voices heard.

I am such a fan of musicals that I could not resist this romping Broadway classic, *Chicago*. Not only a multi-Tony nominated and award winning musical over a thirty year history, it was nominated and won multiple Academy Awards for its film adaptation. What better way to celebrate rag time, jazz, murder, mystery, and fringe than in a Hollywood musical? With lasting hits like *And All That Jazz* and *Razzle Dazzle*, the soundtrack is familiar to many an American household and great to sing and dance to, and a great way to chase away those winter doldrums.
March will be a busy month in the Marion County Public Library Exhibit Room. To celebrate Young Artist’s Month, we are proud to welcome back our young talent from Sunbeam Early Learning Center. The children worked very hard last year on many projects and were very well received. New creations will be on display during regular library hours March 3rd - 14th. Any school or daycare with an aspiring art program that would like to display may contact Julie Mike at 304-366-1210. There is no charge for this service, however all artwork must be ready to hang with string or wire, or free-standing.

In April we welcome local photographer Jack Holmes. His breathtaking images of our scenic beauty in uniquely captured by unusual lighting and angles. Check out the April newsletter for more on this exhibit.

Any local artists interested in displaying their works are encouraged to contact us also. Duration of adult art shows are two weeks-one month.

Have You Tried Freegal Movies & TV?
You should! It’s our newest site for downloading vintage movies and tv shows. Available through our website, you can stream popular movies like World Trade Center, Charlotte’s Web 2, Vanilla Sky, and Kingpin. Some great new family-friendly arrivals include Hey Arnold, The Spiderwick Chronicles, Back at the Barnyard, Clockstoppers, Stardust, and The Little Prince. Simply choose up to three shows per week, and watch them as often as you like on your PC or mobile device for 48 hours. No software to download! All you need is your library card.

Playaways

Audio
Concealed in Death by J. D. Robb
Hopeful by Shelley Shepard Gray
Killer by Jonathan Kellerman
Private LA by James Patterson
Still Life with Bread Crumbs by Anna Quindlen
Vampire Most Wanted by Lyndsay Sands

Views
Get Active!
If The World Were a Village
Science Kid: Wanna be a scientist?
Sesame Street Adventures with Elmo

Bestsellers Expected in March

Print
Be Careful What you Wish for by Jeffrey Archer
The Bootlegger by Clive Cussler
The Cairo Affair by Olen Steinhauer
Death of Blackhearth by Anne Perry
Don’t Look for Me by Loren D. Estleman
Missing You by Harlan Coben
Night of the Hunter by R. A. Salvatore
NYPD Red 2 by James Patterson
Power Play by Danielle Steel
Robert Ludlum’s The Hanson Option by Paul Garrison
Shadow Spell Book 2 by Nora Roberts

Large Print
Be Careful What you Wish For by Jeffrey Archer
Bootlegger by Clive Cussler
Concealed in Death by J. D. Robb
Confessions of a Wild Child by Jackie Collins
Evening Star by Susan Mallery
Fear Nothing by Lisa Gardner
Hunted by Karen Robards
The Invention of Wings by Sue Monk Kidd
Moving Target by J. A. Jance
River Road by Jayne Ann Krentz

DVDs
About Time
American Hustle
The Book Thief
Burton and Taylor
Catching Fire
Dallas Buyer’s Club
Frozen
Mandel Long Walk to Freedom
Nebraska
Phil Spector
Saving Mr. Banks
Walking with Dinosaurs
Luck of the Irish Day
The library will hold a special day to celebrate the arrival of St. Patrick’s Day. Saturday, March 15th is the festive family fun day. Coloring sheets, crafts, and activities will be featured to celebrate the lucky day. Spot leprechauns hiding in the library for a prize! The activities will take place from 1:00-2:00 p.m. A special story of The Hungry Leprechaun will be presented at 2:00 p.m. Join us for a family fun event, and be sure to wear your green!

Games & Crafts - The Dynamic Duo
Teens can join the Marion County Public Library for a dynamic duo of programs in March. Head out to the library on March 8th for board games and snacks during our Teen Chess Club meeting, from 10:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m. Style-obsessed teens are invited to craft a finger-knitted scarf on March 10th at 4:30 p.m. All supplies will be provided, but registration is required. Call 304-366-1210 to sign up.

Sharpie Mugs, Anyone?
Our adult craft class will take place on Monday, March 17th at 5:00 p.m. This month we will follow the teen’s example and create a Sharpie mug! All materials will be provided, simply come with a creative design in mind! Space is limited, so call 304-366-1210 to sign up.

Look for Book Sales Soon
The Marion County Public Library Friends group will be cancelling their March booksale. The winter has been so treacherous that they were not able to meet to organize the hundreds of donations that have arrived over the last several months.

Don’t worry, though. They will be hard at work in the weeks to come sorting, weeding, and shelving, getting ready to open the doors of The Book Cave for spring. Check back with us next month for more updates!

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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**Tax Assistance**

The VITA Program offers free tax help to people who make $51,000 or less and need assistance in preparing their own tax returns. IRS-certified volunteers from FSU will provide free basic income tax preparation with electronic filing to qualified individuals on Friday, March 21st from 10:00-5:00 at the library. No appointment is necessary. For more information, please call 304-986-2803.

Federal and state tax forms and instructions? Yes, we have them...or, get them online—visit the Forms and Publications page at www.irs.gov. We’ll be happy to assist you in gathering the forms that you need to meet that April 15th deadline.

**Toddler Time and Story Hour Resume**

Miss Melissa will be featuring houses, hats, and hotrods this month at story-time as we hop into Spring! Please call the library for more information.

**Dr. Seuss Birthday Celebration!**

Happy Birthday to you, Dr. Seuss. Come celebrate 9:00-7:00 Monday, March 3rd with Thing 1 and Thing 2, the Lorax, and the ladies at the library. Featuring zany books, guessing games, trivia, and CAKE!

**After-School Craft**

Join us and express yourself March 12th with a little Sharpie Art. Sharpie Mugs Do-it-yourself personalized mugs. Please sign up-limited space is available.

**Mannington Middle School Event**

We’re inviting the Mannington Middle Junior High students to participate in a Wii Bowling Tournament March 17-19 after school. We’ll provide after-school snacks and refreshments. Prizes will be awarded on March 19th.

**Monday Knitters**

Knitting isn’t just hats and sweaters! The knitting group share fun patterns—toys, handbags, socks, etc. We knit all year long and welcome all from the novice to the advanced knitter. Join us on Mondays at the library starting at 4:30 p.m.

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**Roaring into Storytime**

March roars into the Fairview Public Library with the beginning of another semester of Toddler Time, Circle Time, and Story Hour. Beginning the week of March 3rd, Mrs. Alicia will be providing stories, crafts, games, and snacks each week based on the themes of Mardi Gras Party, Going Green, Buzz Into Spring, and Read S'more Books.

Our Juvenile Patron Appreciation monthly drawing begins again as well, giving children an opportunity to win a prize bag each time they use their library card to check out books.

The After School Movie returns on March 18th, at 3:30 p.m. with Despicable Me 2. Space is limited, so registration is required and can be completed over the phone or in person. A snack will be provided, and those coming directly from school will be able to walk to the library with Mrs. Alicia. Our coloring workshop for the month is Roar into Reading!

**Ghouls, Gals, Gardens, and Guesses**

The Teen After School Movie concludes on March 19th with Breaking Dawn, Part 2. Mrs. Linda will show the film at 12:30 p.m. and will also provide popcorn and drinks. Space is limited, so registration is required. The movie is open to patrons ages 12-18.

To celebrate National Women’s History Month, we will be focusing on local ladies Christine Fox, Ellen Henderson, and Mary Lea Hibbs, who will be speaking on skeet shooting, marathon running, and archery, respectively, on March 8th from 10:00-11:00 a.m. You’re invited to hear some great stories and shining moments from these talented sportswomen.

Back by popular demand, Fairview local Dorothy Hood will share her vast knowledge of plants, gardening, and even soil richness in a gardening Q & A program on March 15th from 10:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m. No registration is required for either of these programs, so come on out and see what’s springing up at the library.

Our monthly trivia competition, What Do You Know About That? Continues March 27th from 9:00 a.m.—4:00 pm. With even more pop culture, sports, and current events topics to tease your brain. A prize will be awarded to the individual with the top score. Patrons ages 14-up are eligible to participate. And, throughout the month be sure to put in your best guess at the circulation desk during our Go for the Gold guessing game.

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**Marion County Public Library**
- Mar 4, 11, 18, 25: ACA sign-up assistance 9:00-5:30
- Mar 5, 6, 12, 13, 19, 20, 26, 27: Story Hour 10:30-11:30
- Mar 8: Teen Chess Club
- Mar 10: Teen Crafternoon
- Mar 15: Luck ‘O’ the Irish Family Fun Event
- Mar 17: Awesome Readers’s Club @ 4:30
- Mar 17: Adult Craft Class
- Mar 19: Book It! @ 6:00
- Mar 22: Teen Classic Film Club

**Fairview Branch**
- Mar 1-31: Roar into Reading Coloring Workshop
- Mar 1-31: Go for the Gold Guessing Game
- Mar 3, 10, 17, 24, 31: Toddler Time
- Mar 4, 18: Circle Time 2
- Mar 4, 11, 18, 25: Tuesday Nite Knitters
- Mar 5, 6, 12, 13, 19, 20, 26, 27: Story Hour
- Mar 8: Women’s History Month, Local Sportswomen
- Mar 10: Teen After School Movie, Breaking Dawn 2
- Mar 11, 15: Circle Time 1
- Mar 15: Gardening Q & A
- Mar 18: After School Movie, Despicable Me 2
- Mar 25: Speaking of Books
- Mar 27: What Do You Know About That?
- Mar 28: Page Turners

**Mannington Branch**
- Mar 3: Dr. Seuss Birthday Celebration
- Mar 3, 10, 17, 24, 31: Toddler Time
- Mar 3, 10, 17, 24, 31: Knitting Group @ 4:30
- Mar 4, 5, 11, 12, 18, 19, 25, 26: Story Hour
- Mar 7, 14, 21, 28: Friends Book Sale 10:00-4:00
- Mar 8, 15, 22, 29: Friends Book Sale 9:00-1:00
- Mar 12: After School Sharpie Mugs craft
- Mar 20: Cover2Cover @ 1:30
- Mar 17-19: 7th & 8th Grade Wii Bowling Tournament
- Mar 21: VITA-Income Tax Assistance 10:00-5:00

**New E-Books**
- *All the Songs* by Philippe Margotin
- *Ask a Science Teacher* by Larry Scheckel
- *The Cockroaches* by Jo Nesbo
- *Coming Home* by Marie Force
- *Defying Convention* by Abby Niles
- *Demon of Renaissance Drive* by Elizabeth Reuter
- *Exit to Eden* by Anne Rice
- *King Cave* by Scarlett Dawn
- *The Man on the Balcony* by Maj Sjowall
- *Nightmare Ballad* by Benjamin Kane Ethridge
- *A Place to Belong* by Lauraine Snelling
- *Sparks* by S. J. Adams
- *Swagger* by Carl Deuker

**New Audio Books**
- *Be Careful What You Wish for* by Jeffrey Archer
- *Black Horizon* by James Grippando
- *Bone Deep* by Randy Wayne White
- *The Bootleggers* by Clive Cussler
- *Chestnut Street* by Maeve Binchy
- *Long Man* by Amy Greene
- *Missing You* by Harlan Coben
- *NYPD Red 2* by James Patterson
- *Power Play* by Danielle Steel
- *Raising Steam* by Terry Pratchett
Hello All!
Whew, what a winter! I’m sure we’re all ready for signs of spring. Let’s hope March is a kinder month to us with the weather.
My nephews Manny and Farris have certainly enjoyed the snow. With all the school cancellations, they got caught up on some reading, as I hope your little ones did as well. Of course, there was plenty of time for sled riding, making snowmen, and good cups of hot cocoa.
March is the month for the *wearing of the green* and *luck of the Irish*. You don’t have to have much luck to find a great book on our shelves. So many new items arrive monthly, you’ll never be in need of a new read. And, always remember our online resources as well, many things to download for your enjoyment.
Looking forward to spring, it’ll be here soon!
Marion LiBearian, the Town Librarian

**Fairmont**

*Book It!* will meet on Wednesday, March 19th at 6:00 to discuss *The Beekeeper’s Lament* by Hannah Nordhaus.

The honey bee is a willing conscript, a working wonder, an unseen and crucial link in America’s agricultural industry. But never before has its survival been so unclear.

Beekeeper John Miller trucks his hives around the country, bringing millions of bees to farmers otherwise bereft of natural pollinators. The Beekeeper’s Lament tells his story and that of his bees, making for a complex, moving, and unforgettable portrait of man in the new natural world.—Bookjacket

*The Awesome Readers’ Club* will meet March 17th at 4:30 p.m. to discuss *The Giver* by Lois Lowry.

Jonas’s world is perfect. Everything is under control. There is no war or fear or pain. There are no choices. Every person is assigned a role in the community. When Jonas turns 12 he is singled out to receive special training from The Giver. The Giver alone holds the memories of the true pain and pleasure of life. Now, it is time for Jonas to receive the truth. There is no turning back.

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.

**Fairview**

*Page Turners* will meet March 28th to discuss *The Memory Keeper’s Daughter* by Kim Edwards.

On a winter night in 1964, Dr. David Henry is forced by a blizzard to deliver his own twins. His son, born first, is perfectly healthy. Yet when his daughter is born, he sees immediately that she has Down’s syndrome.

Rationalizing it as a need to protect Norah, his wife, he makes a split second decision that will alter all of their lives forever. —Amazon

**Mannington**

*Cover 2 Cover* will meet Thursday, March 20th at 1:30 to discuss *One Flew Over the Cuckoo’s Nest* by Ken Kesey.

A mordant, wickedly subversive parable set in a mental ward, the novel chronicles the head-on collision between its hell-raising, life-affirming hero Randle Patrick McMurphy and the totalitarian rule of Big Nurse.

Kesey created a work without precedent in American literature, a novel at once comic and tragic... —Amazon

**Speaking of Books** will meet March 25th to discuss *The Confessions of Max Tivoli* by Andrew Sean Greer.

We are each the love of someone’s life.

So begins The Confessions of Max Tivoli, a heartbreaking love story with a narrator like no one else. At his birth, Max’s father declares him a “nisse,” a creature of Danish myth. Max grows older like any other child, but his physical age appears to go backward... —Amazon
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