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Your Library is the place to be !

Do you enjoy reading or listening to audiobooks? Do you prefer downloading ebooks or music to your digital device? How about enjoying a DVD or CD? Do you like to have family activi-

ties available for your children and yourself? Do you like to craft? Do you need help with job hunting, resume-building, college prep, or looking for read-alike authors or series? Would you like to join a book club and get to know some really great people? Are you a teenager in search of a great place to get together with friends and play games? Do you enjoy a good game of trivia? Would you like to research your family tree? Take some online learning classes? Do you need to check ConsumerReports before you decide to buy that new car you've had your eye on? Do you need to fax papers, take

advantage of a notary, or make copies? How about checking your email, browsing the web, or staying in touch with friends?

Do you like winning prizes? Do you enjoy working puzzles? Would you like to visit an art gallery or a national exhibit that offers fun and learning through interaction? Would you just like a quiet place to sit and read?

There is one place that offers every one of these great services and events, and much more. Your local library. From books to ebooks, DVDs to movies, databases to classes, art displays to traveling exhibits, book clubs to genealogy. The Marion County Public Library System offers the most complete list of services in the area. Most services are free, and all you need to get started is a library card-ALSO FREE! Stop and see us at Fairmont, Mannington, Fairview, and the MCPLS Bookmobile. We're here for you!

Director's Spotlight



Erika Reed, Director



VITAL LIBRARY FUNDING RENEWAL

The Marion County Public Library once again appeals to our county residents to support our services on May 13, 2014. The Library's levy request is for a renewal of current funding levels. Our communities have shown strong support for nearly 30 years, and it is our mission to translate this generosity by providing not only exceptional library programs and services, but also demonstrating how important libraries are to building the economic and educational foundations in Marion County. Our priority is to provide "the best possible library service to the citizens of the region and to serve the educational, cultural, informational, and recreational needs of both children and adults. The library system explores all methods of communication and technology to accomplish this purpose." How vital is the levy funding request? Without it, the library system could not operate, the levy alone accounts for 75% of total library funding. Without the levy, we would also lose state funding which accounts for 20% of total funding. We take our mission and purpose very seriously. We continually offer exhibits, programs, new materials, new formats, digital content, quality children's services, download content, streaming content, Internet services, copy, faxing and notary services... and so much more! If you don't have a library card, or know someone who doesn't, encourage them to stop in and see the levy funding in action. I bet they will be amazed at the many services they can get at their fingertips, with so little cost. We're the best deal in our county!

Features National Exhibit to visit library

Beginning June 1st through August 30, the Marion County Public Library will host Brain Teasers 2, a national interactive exhibit on loan from The Oregon Museum of Science and Industry.

Brain Teasers 2 features a variety of intriguing brain teasers—from mathematical conundrums to mindboggling 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. Over twenty puzzles will delight and challenge visitors to think outside the box.



Attractions include Shifting Squares, Tricky Trianbles, Make a 'T', Square or Triangle, Tenn Pegs in Each Row, Four Blocks in a Row, Make a Cube, Ten-Disk Triangle, Four Equations, Disorder, Color Match, and many more. It's all part of our great summer reading program beginning in July for kids and teens and June for adults.

Playaways

Audio

Blossom Street Brides by Debbie Macomber Desperate by Daniel Palmer Divergent by Veronica Roth If You Stay by Courtney Cole Keep Quiet by Lisa Scottoline Live to See Tomorrow by Iris Johansen Night Diver by Elizabeth Lowell The One by Kiera Cass Shadow Spell by Nora Roberts The Target by David Baldacci

Views

Australian Animals Kid's Video Guide to Harry Potter Sesame Songs and Stories Young Minds Numbers & Counting Math Tutor

Bestsellers Expected in May

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Death at the Door by Carolyn Hart Field of Prey by John Sanford Ghost Ship by Clive Cussler The Heart's Pursuit by Robin Lee Hatcher The Last Kind Words Saloon by Larry McMurtry Murder at Mullings by Dorothy Cannell The Skin Collector by Jeffery Deaver Sniper's Honor by Stephen Hunter Suspicion by Joseph Finder Thankful by Shelley Shepard Gray Unlucky 13 by James Patterson Walking on Water by Richard Paul Evans

Large Print

Carnal Curiosity by Stuart Woods 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 Miss Julia's Marvelous Makeover by Ann B. Ross Keep Quiet by Lisa Scottoline Missing You by Harlan Coben The Storied Life of A. J. Fikry by Gabrielle Zevin Waking the Dead by Heather Graham

DVDs

3 Days to Kill Burn The Good Wife: S 1-4 Her How I Met Your Mother: S 1-8 I, Frankenstein

Justin Bieber's Believe The Legend of Hercules The Monuments Men The Nut Job Ride Along Still Mine That Awkward Moment True Detective: Season 1 Vampire Academy The Vampire Diaries: S 2-4 Veronica Mars

Marion County Public Library

321 Monroe Street, Fairmont, WV 26554

304-366-1210

Free Comic Book Day

It's that time again super hero fans! FREE COMIC BOOK DAY has arrived! Saturday, May 3rd will be our annual spring fun event. This year, the web slinger will be back. Be sure to catch Spiderman for a photo opportunity as he visits the library from 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. Pick up your free comic book, coloring sheets, and other fun delights as we celebrate the magic of comic books.

Paperback Wallets

Dingy, old paperbacks will be transformed into epic wallets at MCPL's Teen Crafternoon. The crafting will commence May 6th at 4:30 p.m. All supplies will be provided, but if you have a paperback that you think would make an awesome wallet—feel free to bring it. Sign-up is required. Call 304-366-1210 or visit the library to register.

Vintage Book Planter

To celebrate all growing things, our adult craft class will be creating a vintage book planter on May 12th at 5:00 p.m. Materials will be provided, but sign up is required by Saturday, May 10th. Call 304-366-1210 to sign up.

Teen Chess Club

The Teen Chess Club will meet on May 24th 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.

Fairmont's First Friday is Back!

We start out the summer with the return of Fairmont's First Friday Arts & Music Series Friday, May 2nd. The library will be on hand from 5:00 - 8:00 p.m. with a fun craft lined up. Enjoy talented artists, musicians, local vendors and treat yourself to some delicious food and great activities this summer in Fairmont!

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. Many titles to chose from, and all you need to get started is your library card!

Friends Book Sale

Our book sale is changing! Dates in May will be Tue. May 13th from 5:00-7:00 p.m., and Sat. May 17th from 9:00-3:00. More titles, more time to shop!

MCPLS Bookmobile

ROUTE SCHEDULE Spring *

MONDAY Bright Beginnings Daycare: 9:30-10:30 White Hall, 22 Moran Circle, Rt 73 [2nd & 4th Week] 1st United Methodist Daycare: 11:00-12:00

Monongah Hutchinson: 1:00-1:45 Woodlands Assisted Living Stepping Stone, Inc.: 3:45-4:45

East Grafton Road

TUESDAY

Grant Town: 9:30-10:30 Community Center lot Heart Junction Child Care: 10:30-11:30 Rivesville [2nd & 4th Week]

Pierpont Laboratory Preschool: 1:30-2:30 FSU Campus

[2nd & 4th Week] Disability Action Center: 2:30-3:30

102 Benoni Ave [2nd Week]

Wishing Well/ Genesis: 2:30-3:30 Country Club Road [1st & 3rd Week]

East Park Boys & Girls Club: 3:45-4:45 East Park Elementary [1st & 3rd Week] Watson Elem: Country Club Road [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]

Wonderland Learning: 12:00-1:00 Mannington [2nd & 4th & 5th Week]

Bunner Ridge: 2:30-3:30 Sagebrush Roundup lot [1st & 3rd Week]

Boys & Girls Club: 3:45-4:45 Blackshere Elementary [2nd & 4th Week]

THURSDAY Sunbeam Child Care: 11:00-12:00 Mary Lou Retton Drive Rock Lake: 2:00-3:00 Community Center Colfax: 3:30-4:30 Community Center *schedule subject to change, call 304-366-1210

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Mannington Public Library

109 Clarksburg Street, Mannington, WV 26582

304-986-2803

Spring Carnival wraps up Story Hour

We will wrap up Story Hour this year with painted faces, games, prizes, balloon animals, and cotton candy at our first Spring Carnival on Wednesday, May 14th. The children are encouraged to invite friends and family to join the fun.

Blackshere Elementary Art Exhibit

May 5-16, we will be exhibiting the always creative art of the Blackshere Elementary School students. Please visit and enjoy!

IPad Basic Training

Are you looking for some help with your iPad? The library has partnered with the Kiwanis Club of North Marion to offer basic training classes on Monday evenings, beginning May 5th from 5:00-7:00. Please contact the library for registration information at 304-986-2803. Space is limited.

Monday Knitters

It it's Monday, it's Knitting Night at the library. They knit all year long and welcome all—the novice, advanced, and beginners. Join them on Mondays at the library starting at 4:30 p.m.

Friends of the Library Membership Drive

The Friends of the Library is having their first membership drive in three years. Flyers will be going out this month. All Friends and patrons are invited to the quarterly meetings planned for 2014. Please consider renewing your membership or joining the Friends. Also, remember the Friends Book Sale when you're ready to spring clean your bookshelf.

Something new, Friends Book Sale—like us on Facebook!





Reading Magic, Movie Magic

As we head into May, the spring semester for Toddler Time and Story Hour winds down with the final themes of We Love Mom, and Beach Blanket Picnic. Children will also be treated to a magic show on May 22nd at the Fairview Fire Hall to wrap up the spring semester.

Fairview Public Library

The last after school movie of the school year will be held on May 20th; this month's feature is *Frozen*. 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.

Children are also invited to participate in our monthly coloring workshop, May You Always Be a Reader. Our final Juvenile Patron Appreciation Basket Giveaway concludes in May; 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.

The winners in the Fairview Elementary Circle Time Readers' Club will be treated to the reward activity of their choice at the end of the month. And, last but not least, registration for Summer Reading and Cook-a-Book begins on May 12th. Sign-up is required for these programs so register early as space is limited.

May the 4th Be With You

The month of May is host to several themes. For starters, May 4th is *Star Wars Day*. Whether you fancy yourself a Jedi or a Sith, be sure to check out any or all of the *Star Wars* feature films. In addition, May 17th is *Armed Forces Day* in the US. The Fairview Public Library will be displaying a number of books and movies that highlight the contributions of our military men and women who serve (or have served) in any one of the fine US military branches.

May is also Senior Citizens Month. Books such as Jill McCorke's *Life After Life*, Robin Lee Hatcher's *Veteran's Way*, Nicholas Sparks' *The Notebook*, Fannie Flagg's *Can't Wait to Get to Heaven*, and movies such as *The Bucket List, The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel*, and *Last Vegas* all feature characters who belong to the 55 and over club. Check out one or more of these titles from the library today. Of course, our monthly trivia competition, What Do You Know About That? continues on May 29th from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. with more pop culture, sports, and history topics to tease your brain. Patrons age 14 - up are eligible to participate.

This month's guessing game at circulation will be M & Ms Mayhem. Give us your best guess without going over and win a prize!

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Marion County Public Library System Calendar of Events

Marion County Public Library

- May 2: First Friday Arts & Music Series
- May 3: Free Comic Book Day
- May 6: Teen Crafternoon
- May 12: Adult Craft Class
- May 13: Election Day
- May 13, 17: Friends Book Sale
- May 19: Awesome Readers' Club
- May 21: Book It!
- May 24: Teen Chess Club
- May 26: Closed

Fairview Branch

- May 1-30: Coloring Workshop
- May 1-30: Juvenile Patron Appreciation Backet
- May 1-30: Mayhem Guessing Game
- May 1,7,8,14,15: Story Hour
- May 5,12: Toddler Time
- May 6: Circle Time
- May 6,13,20,27: Tuesday Nite Knitters
- May 12: Summer Reading/Cook-a-Book Reg. Begins
- May 20: After School Movie, Frozen
- May 22: Storytime Spring Finale @ Fire Hall
- May 26: Closed
- May 27: Speaking of Books
- May 29: What do you know about that? Trivia
- May 30: Page Turners

Mannington Branch

- May 5, 12,19: iPad Basic Training 5:00-7:00
- May 5-16: Blackshere Elementary Art Exhibit
- May 14: Story Hour Carnival
- May 15: Cover2Cover @ 1:30
- May 5,12,19: Knitting Group @ 4:30
- May 6,7,13,14,20,21,27,28: Story Hour
- May 2,9,16,23,30: Book Sale 10:00-4:00
- May 3,10,17,24,31: Book Sale 9:00-1:00

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New E-Books

The Agent's Secret Past by Debby Giusti Antiques Con by Barbara Allan Barefoot Summer by Denise Hunter Bite Me by Shelly Lurenston Bridge to Haven by Francine Rivers Robert Parker's Cheap Shot by Ace Atkins The Dark Palace by R. N. Morris The Kill Switch by James Riordan Seeking Her by Cora Carmack Sweetwater Gap by Denise Hunter Three Weeks with Lady X by Eloisa James The Transcriptionist by Amy Rowland Welcome to Last Chance by Cathleen Armstrong

New E-Audio Books

Astonish Me by Maggie Shipstead Blossom Street Brides by Debbie Macomber Debbie Doe by Walter Mosley Destroyer Angel by Nevada Barr The Girl Who Came Home by Hazel Gaynor The Kraken Project by Douglas Preston The Lincoln Myth by Steve Berry NYPDRED2 by James Patterson Sixth Grave on the Edge by Darynda Jones The Skin Collector by Jeffery Deaver Starfire by Dale Brown The Target by David Baldacci Unlucky 13 by James Patterson

New Audio Books

The 1st Victim by Tami Hoag Air Bound by Christine Feehan Allegiant by Veronica Roth Before We Kiss by Susan Mallery The Cursed by Heather Graham Divergent by Veronica Roth Field of Prey by John Sanford Ghost Ship by Clive Cussler High Crime Area by Joyce Carol Oates Insurgent by Veronica Roth The Keeper by John Lescroart Midnight Crossroad by Charlaine Harris The Professional Parts 1-3 by Kresley Cole Unlucky 13 by James Patterson Walking on Water by Richard Paul Evans

Marion LiBearian The Town Librarian Savs...

Hello All!

Whew, spring is finally here in full bloom! That was one rough winter. But all is new with the world as the birds are chirping, the sun is shining, and the flowers are blooming.

Spring is such a wonderful time of renewal and everything is refreshed. Looking forward to our wonderful Summer Reading programs for all ages. They're sure to be exciting.

Be sure to see all our fresh new arrivals in books, movies, music and more. Things are always blooming in the library. Everywhere you look new and exciting things are growing on our shelves.

Looking forward to seeing you this summer!

Marion LiBearian, the Town Librarian



Fairmont

Book It! will meet on Wednesday, May 21st at 6:00 at the Literacy Volunteers classroom to discuss Property by Valerie Martin.

The year is 1828, the setting a



Louisiana sugar plantation where Manon Gaudet...seethes under the dominion of her boorish husband. In particular she resents his relationship with her slave Sarah, who is both

his victim and his mistress. Exploring the permutations of Manon's own obsession with Sarah against the backdrop of an impending slave rebellion, *Property* unfolds with the speed and menace of heat lightning.~Bookjacket

The Awesome Readers' Club will meet May 19th at 4:30 p.m. to discuss Uglies by Scott Westerfeld.

Just before their sixteenth birthdays, when they will be transformed into beauties whose only job is to have a great time. Tallv's best friend runs away and Tally must find her and turn her in, or never become pretty at all.



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 May 30th to discuss As the Crow Flies by Craig Alexander.

In As the Crow Flies, five-time world champion Craig "Crowie" Alexander reveals his approach, his training, and the relationships that delivered the record-breaking race performance he sys was a decade in the making. In his own words and through striking photographs



race at the elite level.~Amazon



Speaking of Books will meet May 27th to discuss The Language of Flowers by Vanessa Diffenbaugh.

The Victorian language of flowers was used to convey romantic expressions: honeysuckle for devo-

tion, asters for patience, and red roses for love. But for Victoria Jones, it's been more useful in communicating mistrust and solitude. ~Amazon



Mannington

Cover 2 Cover will meet Thursday, May 15th at 1:30 to discuss Winterdance by Gary Paulsen.

Paulsen and his team of dogs en-

frostbite, dogfights, moose attacks, sleeplessness, and hallucinations in the relentless push to go on.

In the tradition of Jack London, Gary Paulsen presents an

unforgettable account of his participation in the 1100-mile-long dogsled race called the Iditarod. ~Amazon





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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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