Banned Books Week—
Celebrating the Freedom to Read

Free the Books… Banned Books Week is the national book community’s annual celebration of the freedom to read. Hundreds of libraries and bookstores around the country draw attention to the problem of censorship by mounting displays of challenged books and hosting a variety of events. The 2013 celebration of Banned Books Week will be held from September 22-28.

Banned Books Week was launched in 1982 in response to a sudden surge in the number of challenges to books in schools, bookstores, and libraries. More than 11,300 books have been challenged since 1982.

By focusing on efforts across the country to remove or restrict access to books, Banned Books Week draws national attention to the harms of censorship. The books featured during Banned Books Week have all been targeted with removal or restrictions in libraries and schools. While books have been and continue to be banned, part of the Banned Books Week celebration is the fact that, in a majority of cases, the books have remained available.


For a list of the most banned or challenged books of 2012-2013, visit the American Library Association at http://tinyurl.com/ctt9e4

Director’s Spotlight

As a librarian in the digital age, I constantly struggle with balancing traditional library services with the proliferations and demand of information in electronic formats. Thankfully, I’m not alone in this endeavor. The respected Pew research team, in the Pew Internet and American Life Project, collects data from across the United States to chronicle the importance of libraries to supply the knowledge and resources to navigate the information highway, even to our young Americans. In their research, “Younger Americans—those ages 16-29—exhibit a fascinating mix of habits and preferences when it comes to reading, libraries, and technology. Almost all Americans under age 30 are online, and they are more likely than older patrons to use libraries’ computer and internet connections; however, they are also still closely bound to print, as three-quarters (75%) of younger Americans say they have read at least one book in print in the past year, compared with 64% of adults ages 30 and older. Similarly, younger Americans’ library usage reflect a blend of traditional and technological services. Large majorities of those under age 30 say it is “very important” for libraries to have librarians as well as books for borrowing, and relatively few think that libraries should automate most library services, move most services online, or move print books out of public areas.” To read the full article, Younger Americans’ Library Habits and Expectations, visit http://tinyurl.com/osf56oq.
**Features**

**Art by Debbie Hayhurst**

The work of local artist Debbie Hayhurst will be on display in the exhibition room at the Marion County Public Library through the month of September.

Debbie, a widow, mother of two daughters, and proud grandmother of seven beautiful grandchildren, says she is a country girl. "I grew up on the farm that I still live at today. I enjoy painting old barns and anything country."

She works in several different types of mediums. "I do pen and ink drawings: I enjoy the look of black and white sharp images and the detail lines. When doing pen and ink I add watercolor to some for a distinct look, and I also do watercolor alone.

"Oil painting is one of my loves, I do landscapes, seascapes, farms, barns, birds, and many others. I do back drops in acrylics: they are done on queen-size sheets. I have done many for churches.

"I do life size animals on wood, sealing them so they can be used outdoors. I can look at your photo, or I can take a photo of your home or whatever you want painted. I like to have different angles, then I get to work."

Debbie signs her work with a unique flair. "I use the dandelion when I sign my work. I love them. Some people say they are a weed, but to me they are a flower. Like me, I was a weed, then God made me a flower. I hope you enjoy my artwork as much as I enjoy creating it!"

**Bestsellers Expected in September**

**Print**

- *Beloved Enemy* by Eric Van Lustbadder
- *Blindsided* by Fern Michaels
- *The Darling Dahilasand* by Susan Wittig Albert
- *Deadline* by Sandra Brown
- *Dick Francis* by Felix Francis
- *Doctor Sleep* by Stephen King
- *The Edge of Normal* by Carla Norton
- *The Final Cut* by Catherine Coulter
- *Given Sacrifice* by S. M. Stirling
- *Gone* by James Patterson
- *The Longest Ride* by Nicholas Sparks
- *The Mayan Secrets* by Clive Cussler
- *Robert B. Parker’s Damned if You Do* by Michael Brandman
- *Second Watch* by J. A. Jance
- *Something Borrowed Someone Dead* by M. C. Beaton
- *Thankless in Death* by J. D. Robb
- *W is for Wasted* by Sue Grafton
- *Who Asked You* by Terry McMillan

**Large Print**

- *Bones of the Lost* by Kathy Reichs
- *Compound Fractures* by Stephen White
- *Death Angel* by Linda Fairstein
- *The Highway* by C. J. Box
- *Hot Shot* by Julie Garwood
- *Hunting Eve* by Iris Johansen
- *The Icecutter’s Daughter* by Tracie Peterson
- *The Mayan Secrets* by Clive Cussler
- *Second Honeymoon* by James Patterson
- *The White Princess* by Philippa Gregory

**DVDs**

- *The Company You Keep*
- *Star Trek Into Darkness*
- *Epic*
- *Tyler Perry’s Peeples*
- *The Iceman*
- *World War Z*
- *Iron Man 3*
- *Now You See Me*
- *Oblivion*
- *The Place Beyond the Pines*
Story Hour Sign-ups
Story Hour sign-up continues and classes will start soon. Story Hour is open to pre-school age children (generally 3-5 years), and meets weekly on either Wednesdays or Thursdays at 10:30 a.m. The program will start September 11th and 12th.

Johnny Appleseed Day
In celebration of the early arrival of fall and the legend of Johnny Appleseed, the library will have a family event Saturday, September 28th from 2:00-3:00 p.m. Join us for activities, coloring fun, and treats to celebrate this legendary figure and the delicious fruit, the apple.

Banned-Books Week
Our adult craft class will meet Tuesday, September 17th at 4:00 p.m. In honor of Banned-books week we will be creating a Banned Books card case. No supplies are needed, but registration is required.

September is also Library Card Sign-up Month. Come in and apply for a new library card and be entered to win a “Banned Book Basket.” Three winners will be drawn Tuesday, October 1st: one adult and one teen, and one child. Celebrate banned books, and the library in September!

Author Book Signing
Local Author Linda Stevenski will be on hand for a book signing on Friday, September 20 from 10:00-12:00. Stevenski is a noted children’s author. Her titles include The Gnome’s Home, The Ghost of Maple Road, and Chetty T. Chipmunk’s Journey to Aunt Ella’s.

Teen Crafternoon
Fall means hunting season, but you don’t have to kill an adorable woodland creature to score some eye-catching taxidermy. On September 9th @ 5:00 p.m., teens in grades 6-12 can learn how to mount stuffed animals at the Marion County Public Library. Bring a small, stuffed friend that you don’t mind cutting up. Sign up by September 7th.

Chess Club
Teens in grades 6-12 are invited to join MCPL’s chess club. The inaugural meeting will take place September 14th at 10:00 a.m.

Teen Trivia Tuesdays
Due to popular demand, MCPL will host a monthly teen trivia contest. Show off your brain power and win some prizes! This month’s contest will be September 24th @ 4:30 p.m.

Friends Book Sale Resumes
The Friends book sale will resume this month. Stop in Tuesday, September 3rd from 5:00-7:00 p.m., Wednesday September 4th from 11:00-1:00 p.m., or Saturday September 7th from 9:00-12:00 p.m. Great prices and a great selection. Stock up now for those cold winter days ahead!

MCPLS Bookmobile
ROUTE SCHEDULE
Autumn 2013*

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
Fairmont Senior Center: 11:00-12:00
Maplewood Drive
[1st & 3rd Week]
Heart Junction Child Care: 10:30-11:30
Rivesville
[2nd 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 Week]
East Park Boys & Girls Club: 3:45-4:45
East Park Elementary

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
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
Story Hour and Toddler Time

Storytime plays an important role in introducing children to the magic of books. Ready to accept her new role, Miss Melissa is geared up for a monstrous good time when she begins her fall pre-school programs the week of September 16. Please call the library at 304-986-2803 for more information regarding Toddler Time, a program for children up to 3 years that meets on Mondays, and Story Hour for children 2-5 years that meets on Tuesdays or Wednesdays.

Blackshere Pizza Parties

Back by popular demand. We’re celebrating Blackshere’s 4th grade class the month of September. Every time a fourth grader visits the library and checks out materials, we will add a designated pizza topping to our bulletin board. The Homeroom with the most toppings at the end of the month will win a pizza party.

Writing Group

It was a dark and stormy night... Or, perhaps a sunny afternoon, whichever you prefer. The Mannington Public Library is forming a writer’s group. The group is open to all writers 10 and up and will be split into a youth group and an adult group. Join us for our informational session where we will discuss such items as when the group will meet and what types of information, etc. you would like to get from it. The first meeting will be September 7th @ 12:00 p.m. at the library.

Monday Knitters

Our knitting group meets all year long each Monday at 4:30. Bring your supplies and knit with us!

Playaways

Audio

Burn by Maya Banks
At Home in Stone Creek by Linda Lael Miller
Let Me Go by Chelsea Cain
Mistress by James Patterson
Rose Harbor in Bloom by Debbie Macomber
Stolen by Allison Brennan
Wake the Dawn by Lauraine Snelling

Views

Pound Puppies Lost and Pound
Sesame Street Get Up and Dance
Sid the Science Kid: Force and Motion
Tumblebooks: Imagination

Fall Into Reading

With summer at an end, school is back in session and that means Mrs. Alicia has plenty of stories, crafts, and other fun activities for her fall semester of Toddler Time, Circle Time, and Story Hour. Toddler Time, ages 12-23 months, begins September 16th @ 10:00 a.m. Story Hour, ages 2-5 years, kicks off on September 17th @ 9:30 a.m. and Circle Time, grades K-4, gets underway on September 10th @ 9:30 a.m. Themes include Pop into Story Hour, Bushels of Fun, and Stay Alert! Construction Zone. In addition, our monthly Juvenile Patron Appreciation Basket Giveaway returns in September. Children who present their library card when checking out can fill out a ticket for the drawing, and one entry will be randomly chosen as the winner.

And, it wouldn’t be a day at the Fairview Public Library without a visit to the Coloring Workshop which is, of course, Fall Into Reading.

Guess What?

Trivia continues in September on the 26th from 9:00-3:00 with What Do You Know About That? Come test your noggin’s knowledge, be the one with the most correct answers, and win a prize. Patrons ages 14-up are eligible to participate. Our monthly drawing for the candy/items canister guessing game is waiting for you at the Circulation Desk from September 3-27. Come in and submit a new guess each day. Entries will be collected, and the winner will be notified by phone on September 27.

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Marion County Public Library

- Sept. 2: CLOSED
- Sept. 3-30: Art by Debbie Hayhurst
- Sept. 3, 4, 7: Friends Book Sale
- Sept. 9: Teen Crafternoon @ 5:00
- Sept. 11,12,18,19,25,26: Story Hour @ 10:30
- Sept. 14: Teen Chess Club meeting @ 10:00
- Sept. 17: Adult Craft Class @ 4:00
- Sept. 18: Book It! @ 6:00
- Sept. 20: Author Linda Stevenski @ 10:00-12:00
- Sept. 23-28: Banned Book Week
- Sept. 24: Teen Trivia Tuesdays @ 4:30
- Sept. 28: Johnny Appleseed Day @ 2:00-3:00
- Sept. 30: TLC @ 5:00

Mannington Branch

- Sept. 2: CLOSED
- Sept. 3: Fall Into Reading Coloring Contest begins
- Sept. 3,10,17,24: Tuesday Nite Knitters @ 5:00
- Sept. 10, 17, 24: Circle Time @ 9:30
- Sept. 16, 23, 30: Toddler Time @ 10:00
- Sept. 17, 24: Story Hour #1 @ 9:30, #2 @ 11:00
- Sept. 18, 25: Story Hour #3 @ 11:00
- Sept. 24: Speaking of Books @ 4:00
- Sept. 26: What Do You Know About That? Trivia
- Sept. 27: Page Turners @ 2:30

New E-Books

After the Leaves Fall by Nicole Baart
Always a Thief by Kay Hooper
Bi-Normal by M. G. Higgins
Bombshell by James Reich
The Buck Stops Here by Mindy Starns Clark
Dawn of the Golden Promise by B. J. Hoff
Eyes of Fire by Heather Graham
The Girl With the Iron Touch by Kady Cross
The Hero by Robyn Carr
The Moment Between by Susan Wiggs
Smoky Ridge Curse by Paula Graves
Three Little Words by Susan Mallery
Touch the Horizon by Iris Johansen
White Chocolate Moments by Lori Wick

New Audio Books

Christmas on 4th Street by Susan Mallery
Deadline by Sandra Brown
Doctor Sleep by Stephen King
The Final Cut by Catherine Coulter
Gone by James Patterson
The Longest Ride by Nicholas Sparks
The Mayan Secrets by Clive Cussler
Never Go Back by Lee Child
Realm of Shadows by Heather Graham
A Seaside Christmas by Sherryl Woods
Second Watch by J. A. Jance
Thankless in Death by J. D. Robb
W is for Wasted by Sue Grafton

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Hello All!
Welcome back students! I hope you are settling in to your new class just fine. Remember your library is here to assist you in all your homework, projects, and other school needs.

September is such a lovely month to slowly say goodbye to summer and welcome fall. The fall is a delightful time with the fresh crisp scents and lovely flourish of vibrant leaves in their glory. I find a stroll to be quite relaxing, then home to snuggle in with a good book.

The library looks forward to seeing you this fall for another fun-filled year of events. Not to mention the new materials arriving all the time. So much going on, be sure to check out all the library has to offer.

Marion LiBearian, the Town Librarian

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**Book Club**

**Fairmont**

**Book It!** will meet on September 18th at 6:00 p.m. to discuss *Olive Kitteridge* by Elizabeth Strout. Copies are available now at the library.

At the edge of the continent, Crosby, Maine, may seem like nowhere, but seen through this brilliant writer's eyes, it's in essence the whole world, and the lives that are lived there are filled with all of the grand human drama: desire, despair, jealousy, hope, and love. ~ Amazon

**The Awesome Reader's Club** will meet September 23rd at 5:00 p.m. to discuss *The Outsiders* by S. E. Hinton.

The struggle of three brothers to stay together after their parent's death and their quest for identity among the conflicting values of their adolescent society.

ARC is open to teens in grades 6-12. If you are interested in joining, please contact Michelle at 304-366-1210.

**Fairview**

**Page Turners** will meet September 27th @ 2:30 to discuss *We Bought A Zoo* by Benjamin Mee.

When Benjamin Mee decided to uproot his family and move then 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.~ Amazon

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**Cover 2 Cover** will meet Thursday, September 19th at 1:30 to discuss *A Walk in the Woods* by Bill Bryson.

For reasons he didn't understand, Bill Bryson decided in 1996 to walk the 2100-mile Appalachian trail. Winding from Georgia to Maine, this uninterrupted “hiker's highway” sweeps through the heart of some of America’s most beautiful and treacherous terrain. Accompanied by his infamous crony, Stephen Katz, Bryson risks snake bite and hantavirus to trudge up unforgiving mountains, plod through swollen rivers and yearn for hot showers.~ Amazon

**Speaking of Books** meets September 24th @ 4:00 to discuss *Widow of the South* by Robert Hicks.

Carnton Plantation, 1894: Carrie McGavock is an old woman who tends the graves of the almost 1500 soldiers buried there. As she walks among the dead, an elderly man appears -- the same soldier she met that fateful day long ago. Today, he asks if the cemetery has room for one more. ~ Amazon
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