SPRING CLASSES

It’s hard to believe that it’s already time for our weekly classes to resume! Toddler time and story hour classes will resume the first week of February. Check below for more information. Registration can be done online through www.mcpls.org/events.

**Fairmont**
- **Toddler Time**
  - Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m.
  - Thursdays at 9:15 a.m.
- **Story Hour**
  - Wednesdays at 4:30 p.m.
  - Thursdays at 10:30 a.m.

**Mannington**
- **Toddler Time**
  - Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m.
- **Story Hour**
  - Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m.

**Fairview**
- **Toddler Time**
  - Thursdays at 11:00 a.m.
- **Story Hour**
  - Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m.

**Please note:**
- Toddler Time is for **18 to 36 months** of age.
- Story Hour is for **3 to 5 years** of age.

Black History Month is observed each February in the United States of America as a time of special awareness of African Americans’ contributions to the nation throughout its history and the contributions of Africans to world history.

Check out our displays at our branches that celebrate black history month to try out some new media, such as the book *Hidden Figures* or the movie *Marshall*.

Here are some ways to celebrate black history month:
- Support black-owned businesses
- Read and share books by black authors
- Learn about noteworthy black figures and their contributions
- Listen to podcasts such as *Code Switch*
- Participate in online events that celebrate black history month
February
New Releases
Find more new releases, complete with links, at www.mcplis.org/new

DVDs
Marvel’s Eternals
Clifford the Big Red Dog
Ghostbusters Afterlife
Encanto
Resident Evil: Welcome to Raccoon City
Last Night in Soho
Better Things Season 2
DC’s Stargirl Season 2
Last Man Standing Season 9
Doctor Who Season 13

BLU-RAY
Mitchells vs. the Machines
No Time to Die
The Addams Family 2
Dune

Book on CD
Anthem by Noah Hawley
Find Me by Alafair Burke
The Horsewoman by James Patterson
Notes on an Execution by Danya Kukafka
The Paris Detective by James Patterson
Reminders of Him by Colleen Hoover
When You Are Mine by Michael Robotham
Autopsy by Patricia Daniels Cornwell
Best in Snow by David Rosenfelt
Claimed by J.R. Ward
Corey’s Mountain by Brenda Jackson
The Last Dance of the Debutante by Julia Kelly
Mercy by David Baldacci

Bestsellers
Abandon in Death by J.D. Robb
Steal by James Patterson
Nothing to Lose by J.A. Jance
When the Shooting Starts by William W. Johnstone
Death of a Green-Eyed Monster by M.C. Beaton
The Deepest of Secrets by Kelly Armstrong
Diablo Mesa by Douglas Preston
City of the Dead by Jonathan Kellerman
Calder Grit by Janet Daily
Caramel Pecan Roll Murder by Joanne Fluke
Love in the Time of Better by Alexander McCall Smith

Inspirational
Until the Leaves Fall in Paris by Sarah Sundin
The Prince and the Prodigal by Jill Eileen Smith
In Search of a Prince by Toni Shiloh
Shaped by the Waves by Christina Suzann Nelson
Threads of Hope by Leslie Gould
The Lady of Galway Manor by Jennifer Deibel
Foundation of Love by Amy Clipston
Where the Last Rose Blooms by Ashley Clark

Misc. Fiction
The Violin Conspiracy by Brendan Slocumb
The Paris Bookseller by Kerri Maher
Light Years from Home by Mike Chen
The Brothers of Auschwitz by Malka Adler
Read Between the Lines by Rachel Lacey
Return Billionaire to Sender by Annika Martin
Trap Lane by Stella Cameron
The Texas Job by Reavis Wortham
The Secrets of Ashmore Castle by Cynthia Harrod-Eagles
Black Cake by Charmaine Wilderson

Large Print
An Amish Quilting Bee by Amy Clipston
Steal by James Patterson
Robert B. Parker’s Bye Bye Baby by Ace Atkins
Invisible by Danielle Steel
Nothing to Lose by J.A. Jance

Death of a Green-Eyed Monster by M.C. Beaton
Diablo Mesa by Douglas Preston
City of the Dead by Jonathan Kellerman
Caramel Pecan Roll Murder by Joanne Fluke
Violeta by Isabel Allende
One Step Too Far by Lisa Gardner

Non-Fiction
When a Killer Calls by John E. Douglas
The Doomsday Mother by John Glatt
The Power of Thank You by Joyce Meyer
Scoundrel by Sarah Weinman
All About Love by Bell Hooks
Didn’t See That Coming by Rachel Hollis
Four Brothers from Lowell by Jim Turcotte
Last Seconds in Dallas by Josiah Thompson
Our Own Worst Enemy by Tom Nichols
Half Baked Harvest by Tieghan Gerard

Graphic Novels
The Legend of Zelda: Ocarina of Time by Akira Himekawa
Coming Back by Jessi Zabarsky
Fire Force Nether Again Vol. 19 by Atsushi Okubo
Fire Force Beyond the Limit Vol. 20 by Atsushi Okubo
Fire Force To the Rescue Vol. 21 by Atsushi Okubo
1984: The Graphic Novel by George Orwell
Deserter: Junji Ito Story Collection by Junji Ito
Eternals by Neil Gaiman
Invincible Compendium 2 by Robert Kirkman

Teen/Young Adult
Keep Your Hands of Eizouken! Volume 1 by Sumito Oowara
Keep Your Hands of Eizouken! Volume 2 by Sumito Oowara
Keep Your Hands of Eizouken! Volume 3 by Sumito Oowara
You Should See Me in a Crown by Leah Johnson
Last Night at the Telegraph Club by Malinda Lo
At the End of Everything by Julia Alcock
Children

Friends are the Best
by Random House
I am Golden by Eva Chen
There’s a Unicorn in Your Book
by Tom Fletcher
The Digger and the Duckling
by Joseph Kuefler
If You Were My Valentine
by Lynn Plourde
Bear is a Bear by Jonathan Stutzman
Sydney and Taylor and the Great Friend Expedition
by Jacqueline Davies
The Very Hungry Caterpillar’s First Spring by Eric Carle
Dear Reader: A Love Letter to Libraries by Tiffany Rose
I’ll Hold Your Hand by Maggie C. Rudd
Mei’s Wild Ride by Random House
No Bunnies Here by Tammi Sauer
B is for Broadway by John Robert Allman
Dino-Easter by Lisa Wheeler
J.D. and the Great Barber Battle by J. Dillard
Everything Will Be Ok by Anna Dewdney
The Very Hungry Caterpillar Eats Lunch by Eric Carle

Readalongs

Llama Llama Loose Tooth Drama by Anna Dewdney
Run, Little Chaski! by Mariana Llanos
The Pout-Pout Fish Clean Up the Ocean by Deborah Diesen
The Piñata That the Farm Maiden Hung by Samantha R. Vamos
Pig the Tourist by Aaron Blabey

Audiobooks

Criminal Mischief by Stuart Woods
Robert B. Parker’s Bye Bye Baby by Ace Atkins
Abandoned in Death by J.D. Robb
Stea by James Patterson
Caramel Pecan Roll Murder by Joanne Fluke
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February 21: All branches CLOSED

Fairmont Friends of the Library Book Sale
The Book Cave is Open! The Friends of the Marion County Public Library (Fairmont) will be taking walk-ins to browse the book sale room. The book sale room is open every Tuesday and Friday from 10 a.m.—2 p.m.

Winter Olympic Celebration 2022
Come to the library to celebrate the 2022 Winter Olympics on Saturday, February 12 at 2:00 p.m. We will have paper plate ice skating, Olympic crafts and coloring, and some other fun competition games. You may even win a medal!

Teen Anime Club
Come hang out for an after-hours anime viewing! Each week we will watch an anime or animated show. Bring your friends, socialize, and maybe find a new favorite series! The first and the third Wednesday of the month (the 2nd and the 16th) at 5:45 p.m.

Discover 3D Printing: Conversation Heart Coasters
This 3D Printing class is perfect for anyone from about 10-100 years old! We will use 3D design tools to create conversation heart coasters on Thursday, February 10 at 4:15 p.m.

This program is designed for children at the 4th-grade level as well as adults. Participants will be contacted to pick up their 3D printed objects in the weeks following this program.

Registration is required and limited to 12 people. Sign up at mcpls.org/events.

Discover Sewing: 10 Minute Infinity Scarf (Teen, Adult)
Join us to make a cozy infinity scarf on Wednesday, February 9 at either 3:00 p.m. or 4:30 p.m. Please bring your own fabric. You can use anything from cotton to flannel to fleece. Fabrics that don’t stretch are easier to work with. You will need one piece of fabric that is half of a yard long for this project. All other supplies including the sewing machines will be provided.

Sign up at mcpls.org/events.

Artible: Three to a Whole: Part 1 (Adult)
Join us online or in person as we create a unique grouping of three paintings depicting love birds on a branch. Bring your paints and brushes to create a fun original piece of artwork on Tuesday, February 15 at 5:00 p.m. Canvases and instructions are provided. Online participants can pick up their canvas at any library location. This program is open to adults only. Registration is required. This is a 3-month project.

Sign up at mcpls.org/events.
**Beyond the Book Club: Persuasion by Jane Austen (Adult)**

It is that time of year when our thoughts turn to love. What could be better to read this month than a story of a second chance at love written by the witty and insightful Jane Austen? Join us for our book discussion meeting Monday, February 14 at 5:30 p.m.

Sign up at mcpls.org/events.

Anne Elliot, daughter of the snobbish, spendthrift Sir Walter Elliot, is a woman of quiet charm and deep feelings. When she was nineteen, she fell in love with-and was engaged to-a naval officer, the fearless and headstrong Captain Wentworth. But the young man had no fortune, and Anne allowed herself to be persuaded, against her profoundest instinct, to give him up. Now, at twenty-seven, and believing that she has lost her bloom, Anne is startled to learn that Captain Wentworth has returned to the neighborhood, a rich man and still unwed. Her never-diminished love is muffled by her pride. He seems cold and unforgiving. Even worse, he appears to be infatuated by the flighty and pretty Louisa Musgrove.

What happens as Anne and Wentworth are thrown together in the social world of Bath-and as an eager new suitor appears for Anne-is touchingly and wittily told in a masterpiece that is also one of the most entrancing novels in the English language.

This event is linked to Beyond the Book Presents Marriage in Jane Austen’s World on Monday February 28 at 5:30 p.m.

**Beyond the Book Presents: Marriage in Jane Austen’s World (Adult)**

Each of Jane Austen’s novels is centered on the pursuit of marriage. What does this reveal about her and the Georgian society? What does our ongoing fascination with Austen’s novels reflect about us today? Dr. Deborah Nestor of FSU will shine a light on love and marriage for our February Beyond the Book Presentation on Monday, February 28 at 5:30 p.m.

Sign up at mcpls.org/events.

This event is linked to Beyond the Book Club Discussion of Persuasion by Jane Austen on Monday February 14 at 5:30 p.m.

**Tabletop Game Group (Teens & Adults)**

**February 2, 9, 16, 23: 5:00 p.m.**

Alternative, advanced and imaginative games will be featured. Browse our collection of over 150 games, or bring your own to share! This event is open to adults and mature teens. Refreshments will be provided! Get your game on!

Contact Dan Ward at 304-366-1210 extension 128 for more information.

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**Featured Author and Coach: Matthew Raidbard, Author of Lead Like a Pro**

Join author Matthew Raidbard as he discusses the importance of coaches viewing themselves as leaders and teaching them about leadership practice while promoting his book, Lead Like a Pro, on Thursday, February 24 at 4:30 p.m. This is an online event.

After obtaining his Bachelor’s degree from Indiana University, Matthew Raidbard decided to pursue his dream of being a college basketball coach. His first college basketball coaching job was at Western New Mexico University, where he also completed a Master’s degree in Educational Leadership. After leaving Western New Mexico Raidbard served as a men’s basketball coach at Dartmouth College, Florida Gulf Coast University, and Chicago State University. Raidbard then completed his Doctorate in Educational Leadership, with his dissertation focusing on determining the best leadership style and behaviors for athletic coaches to practice at Chicago State. From his dissertation research, he realized that coaches at all levels of sports were being asked to take on increased leadership responsibilities for their athletes and team without sufficient opportunities to receive leadership education and training. Raidbard’s research also uncovered that a significant gap existed between the leadership style and behaviors that athletic coaches thought they were practicing and the ones they were actually practicing. These findings were the inspiration for his book, Lead Like A Pro, where he provides coaches with foundational leadership knowledge and the tools to practice the best leadership style and behaviors that align with their personal values and beliefs. During his last two years at Chicago State Raidbard transitioned into athletics administration, and most recently served as the Executive Senior Associate Athletic Director for Administration, Compliance, and Student-Athlete Success at the University of Hartford.

Sign up at mcpls.org/events.
February 4: All branches CLOSED
February 21: All branches CLOSED

Fairview Book Sale
Stop in daily during regular business hours to shop our book sale. Books and DVDs are available for all ages. Buy one item or fill a whole bag for only $3.00! New donations coming in all the time. Stop in for some great reads and fantastic movies!

Fairview Book Sale

Just Craftin’ Around (Adult)
This is a free class open to adults 17-up. All materials are provided. Space is limited and registration is required. This month’s project: an adorable bird perched on a limb using mixed media on Tuesday, February 22 at 4:00 p.m.

Sign up at mcpls.org/events.

Speaking of Books: Faith Bass Darling’s Last Garage Sale (Adult)
Join us in person for Speaking of Books on Tuesday, February 1 at 4:00 p.m. This month we will be discussing Faith Bass Darling’s Last Garage Sale by Lynda Rutledge. Copies are available for check out at the Fairview Public Library!

On the last day of the millennium, sassy Faith Bass Darling, the richest old lady in Bass, Texas, decides to have a garage sale. With help from a couple of neighborhood boys, Faith lugs her priceless Louis XV elephant clock, countless Tiffany lamps, and everything else in her nineteenth-century mansion out onto her long, sloping lawn.

Why is a recluse of twenty years suddenly selling off her dearest possessions? Because God told her to.

As the townspeople grab up five generations of heirlooms, everyone drawn to the sale—including Faith’s long-lost daughter—finds that the antiques not only hold family secrets but also inspire some of life’s most important questions: Do our possessions possess us? What are we without our memories? Is there life after death or second chances here on earth? And is Faith really selling that Tiffany lamp for $1?

Little Rembrandts: Winter Ombre (Tween)
You can paint! You can craft! Join Julie at the Fairview Public Library to bring your masterpiece to life on Saturday, February 5 at 12:00 p.m.

Beginning painting/craft class for children ages 8-15. Each month we create a one of a kind piece of art.

The class is free and all materials are provided.

Space is limited and registration is required. Join us in person or online!

Sign up at mcpls.org/events.

Brick Builder’s Club ( Tween)
Do you love building with LEGOs? Do you want some fun competition? Join us at the Fairview Public Library for the Brick Builders club on Saturday, February 12 at 11 a.m.

This event is suitable for children aged 7-13. We will create new and exciting builds every month. Race to see who will build the biggest, strongest, most original creations! Different building themes each month!

All materials are provided.

Space is limited, so register early! Sign up at mcpls.org/events.

Just Craftin’ Around (Adult)

Speaking of Books: Faith Bass Darling’s Last Garage Sale (Adult)
Fire Breathing Fairy Tale Festival
Hear Ye, Hear Ye, Lords and Ladies!

Come and join the Mannington Public Library for lots of fun on National Tell a Fairy Tale Day on Saturday, February 26 at 10:30 a.m. On this day, we tell the stories of great dragon slayers, heroic princesses and happily ever after’s! Complete with games and crafts, this adventure is sure to delight the little heroes of the land!!

Program is 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Crafty Kids’ Club

This month, Carol will teach children how to make this adorable unicorn pop up card on Tuesday, February 22 at 3:00 p.m. It makes the perfect birthday gift to a friend. All materials provided by the Mannington Public Library. Geared towards children 8 and up.

Sign up at mcpls.org/events.

My Hero Bibliotheca! Anime Club (Teen)
Come relax after school and watch anime movies and shows on Thursday, February 10 at 3:00 p.m. We'll hang out, talk about what we’re watching, and what to watch next. Bring your friends, socialize, and maybe find a new favorite series!

Carol’s Crafty Creations: Bunny Mason Jar (Adult)

Spring has sprung in Carol’s Crafty Creations class! Join us to make a bunny themed mason jar vase on Monday, February 28 at 4:30 p.m.

All materials are provided by the Mannington Public Library.

Please register as spots fill up fast! Sign up at mcpls.org/events.

Cover2Cover Book Club: The Good Earth (Adult)

The Good Earth is Buck’s classic story of Wang Lung, a Chinese peasant farmer, and his wife, O-lan, a former slave. With luck and hard work, the couple’s fortunes improve over the years: They are blessed with sons, and save steadily until one day they can afford to buy property in the House of Wang—the very house in which O-lan used to work. But success brings with it a new set of problems. Wang soon finds himself the target of jealousy, and as good harvests come and go, so does the social order. Will Wang’s family cherish the estate after he’s gone? And can his material success, the bedrock of his life, guarantee anything about his soul?

Pick up a copy of Good Earth by Pearl S. Buck and register to join us to discuss the book on Thursday, February 17 at 1:30 p.m. Participants must register to attend.

Sign up at mcpls.org/events.
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For more information on our homebound and outreach services or bookmobiles, contact MCPLS Outreach Services Manager Abby Haught at 304-366-1210, extension 129, or at ahaught@mcpls.org.
Here are just a few recommendations by MCPLS staff members!
For more recommendations, feel free to ask staff what they suggest.

Staff Picks

- **Just Mercy** by Bryan Stevenson
  - "Every bit as moving as To Kill a Mockingbird, and in some ways more so… a stirring testament to the salvation that fighting for the vulnerable sometimes yields."
  - The New York Review of Books

- **The Bookshop on the Corner** by Jenny Colgan

- **Code Girls** by Liza Mundy
  - "This book is a winner."
  - Kirkus starred review

- **Cold Mountain** by Charles Frazier

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Black History Month

African American
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freedom rides
Martin Luther King Jr.
Rosa Parks
Thurgood Marshall
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diversity
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