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The newsletter of Webster Groves Public Library
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KIDS' EVENTS

Story Time with Miss Phyllis

Tuesday, May 3, 10:00 a.m.
Thursday, May 5, 10 a.m.
Saturday, May 7, 2 p.m.
Tuesday, May 17, 10 a.m.
Tuesday, May 19, 10 a.m.

Baby Story Time with Miss Phyllis

Thursday, May 12, 9:30 a.m.
Thursday, May 26, 9:30 a.m.

Pajama Story Time with Miss Phyllis

Wednesday, May 4, 6:30 p.m.

Paper Airplane Flying Contest

Saturday, May 14, 10 a.m. to noon
Prizes in 3 age categories, 5 - 18 years old
All materials for airplanes provided.

Minecraft Club

Friday, May 20
Meets at 4:45 p.m. after the library closes.
Participants must have PC/Mac version.
(ages 9 - 17)

LEGOMANIA!

Saturday, May 21, 2 - 4 p.m.

On Your Mark . . . Movie Saturday!

Saturday, May 28, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Two movies: *Space Jam* and *Angels in the Outfield*

TEEN EVENTS

Teen Advisory Board Meeting

Tuesday, May 10, 6:30 p.m.

LIBRARY HOURS

Monday - Thursday	9 a.m. - 9 p.m.
Friday & Saturday	9 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Sunday	2 p.m. - 5 p.m.

The Library will be closed May 29 & 30 in observance of Memorial Day.

LIBRARY FILM SERIES

In April we ran a film series in our Meeting Room. For four Friday nights at 7 p.m. we had free movies for families. Since it was April we called it our *April Fools Film Series* and screened four old comedies, from the Marx Brothers to Jimmy Stewart in *Harvey*.

Only one dedicated soul showed up to see the first movie, but after that we saw pretty good groups of people come in to enjoy our movies. We had popcorn and sodas and there was a real going-to-the-movies feel about it (albeit free . . .)

So we're planning to do it again. We had hoped to do our next film series in early to mid-summer, but then we realized that would conflict with the Old Orchard Gazebo series, a mainstay of Webster Groves life, which takes place mostly through June and July.

So now we're thinking about doing it in late summer, maybe August. We have

considered what kind of series we would do next. The comedy films were popular, but we don't want to always do old comedies.

We have been considering doing beach movies, like *Beach Blanket Bingo*, *Gidget*, and Elvis's *Blue Hawaii*. Those might bring in a sentimental crowd. But we are open to other ideas.

Maybe you have an idea for what would make a fun and popular film series for the Library. Let us know! Remember, one of our requirements is that they be reasonably family-friendly, because everyone is invited. Whatever we decide to do next time, we hope you'll come.

We can show the movies in public because we have a movie license that our Friends group pays for, covering most major studios. We want to thank them for making this program possible.

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SUMMER READING BEGINS SOON!

The theme of this year's Summer Reading Club is *On Your Mark, Get Set, Read!* As you might surmise from that title, it's all about sports, fitness and outdoor activities.

In addition to the usual premiums for time spent reading and prize drawings, we will have programs and activities to encourage participants to get some exercise: the whole 'sound mind in a sound body' experience.

As in years past there will be a program for children and one for teens, and an adult program called Exercise Your Mind.

Each program will have its own set of prize incentives, and participants may join only one.

Summer Reading will begin on May 25, and on that date you can find the link to signing up on our Website at wgpl.org. In the meantime, if you have any questions please call 314.961.7277.



TOP REQUESTS

1. *The Nest*,
by Cynthia Sweeney
2. *The Widow*,
by Fiona Barton
3. *Fool Me Once*,
by Harlan Coben
4. *A Man Called Ove*,
by Fredrik Backman
5. *Eligible*,
by Curtis Sittenfeld
6. *Extreme Prey*,
by John Sandford
7. *Miller's Valley*,
by Anna Quindlen
8. *My Name is Lucy Barton*,
by Elizabeth Strout
9. *The Summer Before the War*,
by Helen Simonson
10. *Find Her*,
by Lisa Gardner
11. *The Obsession*,
by Nora Roberts
12. *The Nightingale*,
by Kristin Hannah

ADULT EVENTS

Friday, May 6, 6-8 p.m.



Reception introducing an exhibit sponsored by Women in Focus St. Louis, a local collective of women photographers. This display of works in a diverse array of styles is sure to have something to please everyone who appreciates fine photography. The exhibit will be up through May and June.

Saturday, May 14,
1:30 - 3:30 p.m.

Coloring Club, ages 12 to adult

Join us for a few peaceful hours of quiet stress relief. We provide the materials, you provide the creativity.

Wednesday, May 4, 11, 18 & 25 at 2 p.m.

Computer Questions Day

Librarians will be on hand to answer questions about how to browse the Internet, set up e-mail accounts, register to use social media, use Microsoft Word, PowerPoint, etc., or anything having to do with your personal computer. Questions? Call Debbie or Tom at 314.961.3784.

BOOK DISCUSSIONS

Saturday, June 4 at 2 p.m.



The Residence: Inside the Private World of the White House,
by Kate Andersen Brower

Tuesday, June 7 at 6 p.m.



A Moveable Feast,
by Ernest Hemingway

NEW LIBRARY WEBSITE : TELL US WHAT YOU THINK

In April we premiered the Library's new Website. We have been working on it for several months, and were very happy to have it 'finished,' though in reality, it's never completely finished. It still uses the same address as before, and you can find it at www.wgpl.org.

The Website is designed in WordPress, which is a platform originally designed for bloggers. It allows for more staff members to learn how to post content and make changes to the site, instead of one person with the necessary computer skills having to do it all. That keeps the Website fresher and more current. It also just looks nicer, with more interesting graphic content.

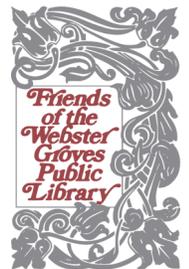
The Website design was paid for by a grant from the Institute of Museum and Library Services, a federal program administered by the Missouri State Library. As part of the grant fulfillment, we need to gather impressions about the new site from Library users. If you have any comments or suggestions to make about the new Website, please send an e-mail to Tom Cooper at tcooper@wgpl.org.



FRIENDS NEWS

The Friends held another successful Book Blitz on April 30. Many books were sold, including some donated science fiction and German books. If there are any readers of German out there, we still have a wide selection of books in German! Contact Laura Wehrenberg at lwehrenberg@sbcglobal.net if you would like more information.

The Friends' Annual Meeting will be on Friday, June 17, in the Meeting Room at the Library. Watch the Friends Facebook page for more details.



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