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## **KIDS' EVENTS**

## Story Time with Miss Phyllis

Tuesday, April 5, 10:00 a.m. Thursday, April 7, 10 a.m. Tuesday, April 19, 10 a.m. Thursday, April 21, 10 a.m.

Saturday, April 23, 2:30 p.m.

#### Baby Story Time with Miss Phyllis

Thursday, April 14, 9:30 a.m. Thursday, April 28, 9:30 a.m.

## Pajama Story Time with Miss Phyllis

Wednesday, April 20, 6:30 p.m.

#### Minecraft Club

Friday, April 8
Meets at 4:45 p.m. after the Library closes.
Participants must have PC/Mac version.
(ages 9 - 17)

#### LEGOMANIA!

Saturday, April 9, 2 - 4 p.m.

#### L.I.F.E. Meeting

Saturday, April 16, 10 a.m. (for details, see article on page 2)

#### Fashion Design Studio

Saturday, April 23, 1 – 2:30 p.m. Children ages 5 – 18 can design their own fashions, shoes, handbags and other accessories. All materials will be provided by the Library. Any fashions you design will belong to you!

# **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.

## **NEW WEBSITE**

The Library will soon introduce a new Website. This is important because in our recent community survey we learned that nearly 70% of respondents said they get their basic information about the library from the Website. This is well above the national average.

The Website will be at the same address; when you type in the address you've always used you will see the new Website.

A link to the catalog is shown on the front page. You will notice it's the same catalog you've been using—that hasn't changed. Similarly, with e-book downloads, magazine downloads, and to find your own account, there are links right from the front page.

There is an enhanced Contact Us link, so you can send messages to specific departments, or make suggestions of books you'd like us to purchase.

There is also a much better calendar of events, which features descriptions of all the things happening at your library.

The site is based on an online platform called WordPress, which millions of people use to set up Websites or to run their own blogs. It allows for more staff members to be able to change and update information, and to keep everything on the site up to date.

Throughout the design process we have worked to make everything as user-friendly as possible, and as easy to find as possible.

Still, if you have any trouble using the new site, you can call our Reference Department at 314.961.7277, and they will assist you. Or you can drop by our Computer Questions Day, any Wednesday afternoon at 2 p.m., where librarians are available to help you.

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# **APRIL FOOLS FILM SERIES**

Join us Friday nights in April for our April Fools Film Series, featuring classic comedy films. All films will be shown at 7 p.m. in our Meeting Room.



April 1: The Marx
Brothers in A Night at
the Opera

April 8: The Bachelor & the Bobby Soxer, starring Cary Grant and Shirley Temple

April 15: Rustler's Rhapsody, starring Tom Berenger and Andy Griffith

**April 29**: *Harvey*, starring Jimmy Stewart

All movies are reasonably family friendly. We will serve popcorn and soft drinks.







# **TOP REQUESTS**

- 1. My Name is Lucy Barton, by Elizabeth Strout
- 2. The Widow, by Fiona Barton
- 3. When Breath Becomes Air, by Paul Kalanithi
- 4. The Nest, by Cynthia Sweeney
- 5. The Nightingale, by Kristin Hannah
- 6. Fool Me Once, by Harlan Coben
- 7. Dark Money, by Jane Mayer
- 8. The Road to Little Dribbling, by Bill Bryson
- 9. Brotherhood in Death, by J. D. Robb
- 10. Find Her,
- by Lisa Gardner
- 11. Spark Joy,
- by Marie Kondo
- 12. Between the World and Me, by Ta-Nehisi Coates

## ADULT EVENTS

Saturday, April 16, 1:30 - 3:30 p.m. Coloring Club, ages 12 to

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



#### Friday, April 8, 6 - 8 p.m.

Join us for a reception to introduce an exhibit of small works sponsored by Webster Arts, on display through the month of April. Open to everyone, refreshments will be served!



## Food for Fines Drive April 10 - 16

During National Library Week, April 10 - 16, we will reduce any library fines you may have by \$1 for every canned good or other non-perishable food item you

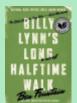
bring in. (Does not apply to fees for lost items.)

All food collected will be donated to Webster-Rock Hill Ministries. For more information please call 314.961.3784.



## **BOOK DISCUSSIONS**

Tuesday, May 3 at 6 p.m.



Billy Lynn's Long Halftime Walk, by Ben Fountain

Saturday, May 7 at 2 p.m.



The Scarlet Pimpernel, by Baroness Orczy

## L.I.F.E. MEETING

One of the most important library services, at least according to our patrons, is service to children and youth. Our role as a provider of early literacy services, engagement with reading and various enriching activities, are always cited as one of the things people appreciate most about

In furtherance of that mission, our Children's Department will start holding quarterly meetings of a group they are calling L.I.F.E.—which stands for Library Information, Family Education. The intent of the group is to involve parents whose children use the Library regularly in thinking about new services we could try, things we could improve, and new ideas in general.

The first meeting of the L.I.F.E. group well be on Saturday, April 16 at 10 a.m. For more information you may call Children's Librarian Michelle Haffer at 314.961.7262.

# FRIENDS NEWS: BOOK BLITZ ON SATURDAY, APRIL 30

The Friends will hold their third Book Blitz on Saturday, April 30 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Library's Meeting Room. Come by and check out our large stock of like-new donated books, all at remarkably low, low prices. We will have our usual wide assortment of books available, and this time we will be featuring quite a few books in German, science fiction, sheet music for organ, and plenty of popular music CDs. Be sure to come early to get first crack at the best stuff! For more information, please call Debbie at 314.961.3784.





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