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KIDS' EVENTS

Story Time with Miss Margaret Tuesdays in February, 10 – 10:30 a.m. Recommended for ages 2 and up.

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Dogs for our Brave Wednesdays in February 3:30 – 4:30 p.m. Read to a therapy dog in training. Recommended for ages 5 and up.

Infant Story Time with Miss Margaret Thursday, February 8 & 22, 10 – 10:30 a.m. Recommended for infants to age 2.

Saturday Story Time Saturday, February 10, 10 – 10:30 a.m. Recommended for ages 2 and up.

Paint and Sip—Tween Style Sunday, February 11, 2:30 – 5 p.m. Recommended for ages 8 – 14.



Sweet & Salty After School Movie Monday, February 26, 3:30 – 5:30 p.m. *The Little Mermaid* (live action version) Recommended for ages 5 and up.

LIBRARY HOURS

Monday – Thursday
Friday & Saturday
Sunday

9 a.m. - 9 p.m. 9 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. 2 p.m. - 5 p.m.

The Library will be closed Monday, February 19, for Presidents' Day

DIRECTOR'S CORNER

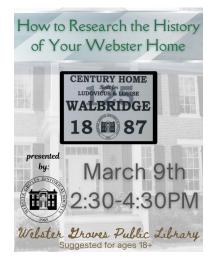
Happy February! This month is packed full of things: Groundhog Day–Phil said it's going to be an early spring! Lunar New Year– It's the Year of the Dragon! Valentines Day– It's always nice to celebrate love and we have a card making supplies in our lobby! Black History Month–Come check out the display in our Children's Room and I would encourage you to check out a book by a black author too! This month I am reading *Black Leopard, Red Wolf* by Marlon James. Other things in February: Presidents' Day and National Pizza Day!! It's on the 9th–I will take any excuse to eat pizza and will be celebrating.

The cool thing about these February events/celebrations/things is that the Library has something regarding all of them: books, decorations, displays and more. To me this is a great example of how the public library is always striving to have something for everyone.

Cheers, Madison mmorris@wgpl.org

UPCOMING PROGRAMS





An evening of songs and stories with South African-born Singer-Songwriter and Author ASSHTON NYTE Top 17 Albums of 2023 American Songwriter "stark, intimate beauty" Americana UK "Johannesburg's Bowie" NPR "personal, profound storytelling" Postpunk

SATURDAY, MARCH. 9 7pm (Doors at 6:30 pm)

TOP REQUESTS

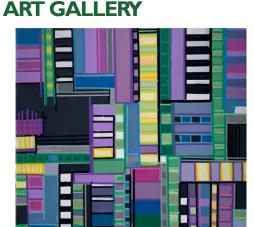
- 1. The Heaven & Earth Grocery Store,
- by James McBride
- 2. The Fury,
- by Alex Michaelides
- 3. The Bee Sting, by Paul Murray
- 4. First Lie Wins, by Ashley Elston
- 5. North Woods, by Daniel Mason
- 6. The Exchange,
- by John Grisham 7. Remarkably Bright Creatures, by Shelby Van Pelt
- 8. How to Know a Person, by David Brooks
- 9. The Kingdom, the Power, and the Glory, by Tim Alberta

10. The Frozen River, by Ariel Lawhon

- Holmes, Marple & Poe,
 by James Patterson & Brian Sitts
- 12. Fourth Wing, by Rebecca Yarros



FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY



Artist Suzanne Galli Koenen will have art on display in the WGPL art gallery for the month of February. She works in watercolor, acrylic, and textiles and explores color, shapes, and lines in new and exciting ways.



BOOK DISCUSSIONS

Tuesday, February 27 at 6 p.m.



The Buried Giant, by Kazuo Ishiguro

Saturday, March 2 at 2 p.m.



West with Giraffes, by Lynda Rutledge

ADULT PROGRAMS

Board Game Nite

Thursday, March 7, 6 – 8:30 p.m. Come play games at the Library! Ages 15 and up.

Paint and Sip

Sunday, March 10, 2:30 – 5 p.m. Ages 15 and up.



Brrr! We hope you used the Library to stay entertained over the cold weather! Look for your membership renewal in the mail, if it hasn't arrived already. Many thanks to all who have supported the Friends and the Library with your memberships and gifts—we are so grateful for your generosity! Your donations support Hot Reads, the large print collection, the Summer Reading Program, book club kits, children's activities and more!

A shout-out to Nancy Leahy, our membership chair, for putting together this year's brochure and welcome to the 2024 officers and board: Sue Gold, president; Laura Wehrenberg, vice-president; Ann Hannan, treasurer; Debbie Ladd, secretary; Nancy Leahy, membership; Dorothy Heltibrand, Sue Jagler, Renee Petty, and Sara Fitzpatrick, members at large.

We hope you'll join or renew your membership. To do so, go to the Library website at www.wgpl.org and click on the Friends box to find our page.



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