



February 2012



**From the Director,
Dolores Greenwald**

The Library has some wonderful programs scheduled for the month of February! One is a fun Saturday Family Matinee on February 18th at 2:30 pm. If you can answer this question, you might be able to guess the title of the movie we will be showing. A character in the movie says "To Infinity and Beyond!" Gussed it correctly yet? Admission is free, so come and enjoy some popcorn and have a terrific time. Also, I am happy to announce that in February the Library will be hosting two performances in our new concert series – Benjie Gentry, who has a big band sound similar to Harry Connick, Jr. and Michael Buble, and the YouTube sensation Preston Leatherman who danced around Cool Springs Galleria with his iPod. Preston is actually a talented musician and plays numerous instruments. Join us here at the Library and see what all the excitement is about.

**Marchin' On:
Portraits of Victory & Valor
Saturday, Feb. 4—Sunday, March 4**

The Special Collections Department of the Library will present a month long exhibit of photographs honoring African Americans who have served the United States in all branches of the Armed Forces with connections to Williamson County. The photos are part of the African American Collection created by Ms. Thelma Battle. View this exhibit in the display cases on the first and second floors, as well as in the Special Collections Department.



Pictured here:
George Esmon
(1908—1987)
PFC, U.S. Army
in WW II.
Shown enlisting
in 1942.

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**Big Band Music
by Benjie Gentry
2—4 p.m.**

Saturday, February 4

Thankfully, this talented crooner recently decided to follow his dream of becoming a performer. His style has been influenced by musical greats such as Nat King Cole, Frank Sinatra, and Barry Manilow. This free concert is part of the library's exciting new musical series that will feature new artists of Williamson County and varied genres.

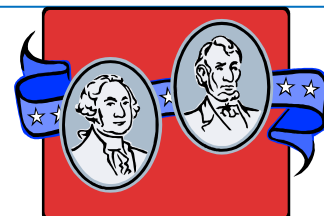
**An Acoustic Concert
by
Preston Leatherman
6:30—7:30 p.m.**

Thursday, February 9

Multi-talented new artist, Preston Leatherman, recently shot to fame when his YouTube video, *Dancing With An iPod In Public—Christmas Edition*, went viral. Now he will show us that he has even more musical skills besides his dancing. This accomplished Pop/Soul/R&B performer will sing and accompany himself on the keyboard and acoustic guitar.



**The Main Library
will be CLOSED on
Monday, Feb. 20
for Presidents Day.**





Resume Class

**Friday, February 17,
10 a.m.-12 noon**

Are you creating a new resume, updating your resume, or trying to jazz up your resume? Explore the different types of resumes as well as common mistakes to avoid, power keywords to use, learn about scannable formats and more!

Registration is required. Register: ONLINE via the library events calendar or by calling 595-1243 during regular library hours. (No email or voicemail registrations)

Williamson County Public Library is Getting a NEW Online Look!

The Williamson County Public Library System will now be referred to as **WCPLtn**. You can find us on Twitter @wcpltn and on Facebook at www.facebook.com/wcpltn

Watch our website grow as we begin to add features, menu options, links, and create an overall NEW look!

We want YOUR help! Look online for patron surveys!

Friends of the WCPL

We started the year with sad news. Our volunteer, Steve Cox, died on January 1, 2012. Steve's wife, Joan, was our Hospitality Chair alone for two years, and Steve, Joan, and their daughter Ann Hill all helped with our party to honor Janice Keck's thirtieth year as Library Director in 2009. They also worked on the first two Annual Meeting Luncheons in 2009 and 2010. Steve and Joan were diligent sorters between book sales and worked all three book sales each year. Our hearts go out to Joan and her family.

We have a number of husbands and wives who volunteer together for us. Debbie Eads became Co-Chair for Hospitality in 2011, and her husband moved hundreds of books to the Library Annex for us one very hot summer day. Linda Mora and her husband, Dan, sort books and check our Friends' finances. Pat and Jim Humphries, who moved here to be with triplet grandchildren, volunteer to sort weekly. Lori Scarbrough's husband, son, daughters and grandchild, Lily, are involved in book sales three times a year. Lori is our outstanding book sale Chair. Mary and Russ Herring have done sign duty. Sharon Eddy's husband helps her as our Vice President and Cashier Trainer. Elizabeth and Lloyd Crockett act as cashiers at each book sale.

I feel sure I've overlooked couples who volunteer together for the Library, and if you will let me know who you are, we'll recognize you as well.

It's a good thing.

Kay Bjork, President
Friends of the WCPL



Free Tax Assistance

VITA and AARP will offer tax preparation assistance on a walk-in basis in the Meeting Room at the Main Library.

The VITA (Volunteer Income Tax Assistance) Program offers free tax help to low to mid-income (below \$50,000) people who cannot prepare their own tax returns. VITA volunteers will generally be available on Wednesdays between 4–7 p.m., and Saturdays between 9 a.m.–1 p.m. NOTE: There are some variations to this schedule, so patrons should check the library website calendar (or the flier in the library foyer) for hours. **Taxpayers may also by call 615-830-7940 to book a VITA appointment.**

AARP Tax Aid will begin on Tuesday, February 7. The focus is on low to mid-income filing with special attention given to those persons 60 years or older. With a few exceptions, AARP will work on Tuesdays between 1-5 p.m., and Thursdays between 9 a.m.-1 p.m. (Please check the library web site calendar for specific AARP hours.) AARP will take walk-ins on both days, but **Reservation Sign-Up Sheets will also be available in the Meeting Room, during AARP hours only, for future appointments.**

Tax Forms are available online at www.irs.gov and are also available at the Library on the second floor.

Author Afternoon with J.T. Ellison

2-3 p.m., Saturday, Feb. 11



J.T. Ellison is an international award-winning author of 7 critically acclaimed novels and multiple short stories and has been published in over 20 countries. A former White House staffer, she has worked extensively with the Metro Nashville Police, the FBI, and other law enforcement organizations to research her novels. Her books are set mostly in Nashville.

During her talk she will discuss her newest book, *A Deeper Darkness*, which will be released in April. This novel is the first in a new series.

Art: Up Close & Personal featuring furniture maker, Alf Sharp

6-7:30 p.m., Monday, February 13



Noted furniture maker, Alf Sharp, will speak about his career in furniture making and fine woodworking at this free educational program of the Arts Council of Williamson County. He uses mostly original-period hand tools and concentrates on museum-quality, one-of-a-kind furniture, primarily in the 18th Century American style.

February Events at Main Library

FOR ADULTS

Art Display Acrylic paintings featuring pond fish and plant textures by gifted Franklin artist, **Terry Alford**, will be featured in the gallery hall. Terry is a graduate of the Atlanta College of Art and is an adjunct professor at Nashville State.

Library Programs

Free Concerts: Feb. 4 & 9 (See p. 1)

Writers Critique Group: 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Saturday, Feb. 4 & 18 This local writers gathering for adult authors provides a serious, courteous critique of members' work.

Author Afternoon: Saturday, Feb. 11 (See p.2)

Movie Matinee: 2 p.m., Sunday, Feb. 12 "Here's looking at you, kid!" Get in the mood for Valentine's Day with a classic romance movie.

Evening Book Discussion Group: 6 p.m., Tuesday, Feb. 14 The group will continue the discussion of *Anna Karenina* by Leo Tolstoy. New members are welcome!

Best Reads Book Group: 1 p.m., Thursday, Feb. 16 The group will discuss *Little Princes* by Conor Grennan. New members are welcome!

Resume Class: Friday, Feb. 17 (See p. 2)

More In the Meeting Room

Passport to the World: France. 2 p.m., Sunday, February 5 Presented by Sister Cities, this event will feature Amelie de Gaulle, from the France Agency Consulate in Nashville. It will begin with a short history of Paris, a lesson on French wines, and a taste of French cheeses.

Legal Aid Clinic: 5:30 p.m., Tuesday, Feb. 7 Free monthly legal clinic for Williamson County residents. No appointment needed, but please bring any papers regarding the legal problem.

Yoga: 2-3, Wednesdays, Feb. 8, 22, & 29 A FREE beginner class. For questions or to register contact Kristina Giard, Health Educator, Williamson Co. Health Department: kristina.giard@tn.gov or 799-2389 x112.

Brown Bag Lunch Bunch: 11 a.m.-1 p.m., Friday, Feb. 10 Join Michael Damico, owner of Damico Framing & Art Gallery, as he speaks about gallery services in the fields of art and photography.

Art Up Close & Personal: Feb. 13 (See p. 2)

Franklin Community Blood Drive: 12-6 p.m., Wednesday, Feb. 15 Schedule your appointment online at www.redcrossblood.org. Enter sponsor code Franklin19. Or call 800-Red Cross (800-733-2767.)

YOUNG ADULT

Chess Club:

2 p.m., Sunday, Feb. 5 We meet in the YA fiction room. All levels of play are welcome! You do not have to sign up—just show up!

Teen Advisory Group:

10 a.m., Saturday, Feb. 11 We will finalize the draft for our instructional video. Refreshments will be provided. Meet in the YA fiction room.

Manga & Anime Club: 2 p.m., Saturday, Feb. 25

We'll view a new DVD from our collection, enjoy some Japanese snacks, and discuss the Tokyo/Manga event from January.



CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

Family Movie Matinee:

2:30 p.m., Saturday, Feb. 18

Join us at the Main/Franklin Library for a family movie matinee. Admission is free and parents and children of all ages are invited. Come in your pajamas and enjoy some popcorn! Call the Children's Department at 595-1244 for more information.

Tail Waggin' Tutor: 2-4 p.m., Saturday, Feb. 11

Children, come read to Ellie, a READING Paws dog. To reserve your 15 minute time slot please call the Children's Department, 595-1244.

Snuggle Bug Story Time: 10 a.m., Friday, Feb. 24

A monthly Baby Lapsit program for newborns up to 18 months.

Toddler Story Times: 10 & 11:15 a.m., Tuesdays Stories and songs for children 18 months to 3 years.

Preschool Story Times: 10 a.m., Wednesdays & Thursdays For children ages 3 to 5 years. No registration required.

Groundhog Day is a holiday celebrated on **February 2**. According to folklore, if it is cloudy when a groundhog emerges from its burrow on this day, the groundhog will supposedly see its shadow and retreat back into its burrow, and the winter weather will continue for six more weeks.



Sketch B.

Congratulations Sketch B. -

Employee of the Month! Sketch, a part-time Circulation Department staffer, will enjoy front space parking during February!

February Events at the Branches

Bethesda (790-1887)

Bethesda Book Group: 6:30 p.m., Thursday, Feb. 9. The group will discuss *Cutting for Stone* by Abraham Verghese.

For Children:

Toddler Time: 10:30 a.m., every Tuesday. A lively program of songs, rhymes, and stories for ages 18 months to 35 months. No registration required.

Preschool Storytime: 10:30 a.m., every Wednesday. Three and four-year-olds will enjoy books, songs, rhymes, and more! No registration required.

Snuggle Bug Club: 10:30 a.m., Friday, Feb. 17. Lapsit program for babies up to 17 months old and their caregivers. No registration required.

Library Legoland: 10:30 a.m.-12 noon, Saturday, Feb. 18. Join our club if you love to build with Legos! Must be at least 4 years old due to choking hazard. No need to bring Legos, they will be provided. No registration required.

Kidz Kompany will present Safety Box, a drama teaching children about basic safety rules, at Bethesda Library on Thursday, Feb. 23, at 6 p.m. Free admission.

Bethesda Library will host a dramatic excerpt from Scathe, a play featuring actual events in Spring Hill during the Civil War. This 25-minute excerpt will feature teen actors and will begin at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 16. Admission is free.

College Grove (368-3222)

The FiftyForward College Grove Book Discussion Group: 9 a.m., Tuesday, Feb. 21. They will discuss *The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society* by Mary Ann Shaffer and Annie Barrows. New members are always welcome to join this group, held on the third Tuesday of the month. In March, they are reading *Water for Elephants* by Sara Gruen.

Friends of the Library Book Sale: 7:30-11 a.m., Saturday, Feb. 25. There will also be a pancake breakfast, bake sale, and rummage sale in the building.

College Grove (continued)

For Children:

Make & Take Valentines: during library hours, Monday-Friday, Feb. 6-10. Materials will be available all week for children to make cards. We hope each child will make one to take home and one to leave behind. The extra cards will be mailed to some special friends in the community.



Preschool Story Time: 10 a.m., Thursdays. For children 2-5 years, but everyone is welcome. Story Time includes books, finger-plays, action rhymes, and flannel board stories. Story Time is always followed by a related craft.

Fairview (224-6087)

Income Tax: Forms and filing assistance are available at the library through United Way. Call the library at 224-6087 for details.

Local Author Book Signing: 10 a.m., Saturday, Feb. 11. Fairview resident and author, Ross E. Hudgins will sell copies of his book *Maggie: The Civil War Journals of Margaret N. Vaulx*, a young Nashville resident's first hand perspective of the Civil War and will provide a Power Point presentation about her with voice recordings of portions of the book.

Friends of the Library: 1 p.m., Tuesday, Feb. 7.

Fairview Book Club: 5:30 p.m., Thursday, Feb. 9.

Avid Readers Book Club: 1p.m., Wednesday, Feb. 22.

For Children:

Note: No children's programs will be held when the schools are closed due to inclement weather.

Toddler Time: 10 a.m., every Tuesday. For children 18-35 months old.

Preschool Story Time: 10 a.m., every Wednesday. For children ages 3-5 years old.

Homeschooler's Book Club: 10 a.m., every Wednesday during the Preschool Story Time program. For grades K-6.

Leiper's Fork (794-7019)

For Children:

Find Groundhog's Shadow: Thursday, Feb. 2. Stop by the library any time and find Groundhog's shadow. It's hiding in the children's area. Find the shadow and you can pick a prize from the treasure chest!



Leipen' Lego Club: 1-2:30 p.m., Saturday, Feb. 11. Join us for this fun and creative club for girls and boys ages 4 & up. No children under 4—choking hazard. Please do not bring Legos from home, they will be provided. For more information, call the library.

Preschool Story Time: Promptly at 10:30 a.m., Tuesdays. For ages 3-5 years, and designed for parent and child participation. This is a free program and is open to the public. Activities includes songs, stories, nursery rhymes, and crafts.

Toddler Time: Promptly at 10:30 a.m., Wednesdays. For little ones 18-36 months and designed for parent and child participation. This class is *limited to 10 children*. **Call if you'd like to be on the waiting list.** Activities include songs, stories, nursery rhymes, and crafts.

Nolensville (776-5490)

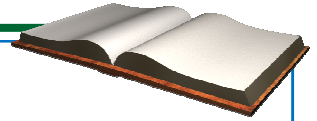
Select tax forms are now available at the Library.

For Children:

Mrs. Karen's Story Time: 10:30 a.m. every Wednesday in February.

Baby's First Story Time with Ms. Mary Kay & Beebo Bear: 9:30-10 a.m., second Saturdays, continuing on Feb. 11. Read stories and sing songs incorporating baby-friendly sign language. For parents and babies up to 2 years.

Read to Reuben: 1-3 p.m., Saturday, Feb. 18. Reuben is a certified reading education assistance dog who enjoys being read to by kids. To **sign up** to read to Reuben call the Library at 615-776-5490. Walk-ins are welcome, too!



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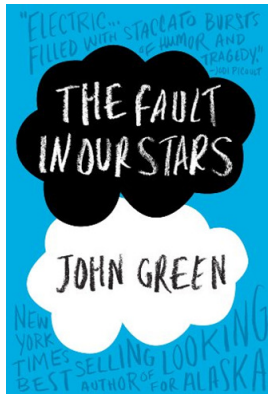
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Our Mission Statement
The Williamson County Public Library System seeks to meet the recreational, educational, and information needs of the citizens of Williamson County through a county-wide network of libraries located in the Bethesda, College Grove, Fairview, Leiper's Fork, and Nolensville communities. Franklin houses the Main and Local History/ Genealogy libraries.



**Check with your
Library branch for
the Presidents Day
closing date.**

BOOK BUZZ



***The Fault In Our Stars*
by John Green**

Sixteen year old Hazel Lancaster has been diagnosed with stage IV thyroid cancer which has spread to her lungs. One day as she begrudgingly attends her Cancer Support Group, she meets Augustus Waters, who immediately has eyes for her.

Augustus guides Hazel on a journey, focusing on her strengths and passions and keeps her from showing any signs of weakness. In turn, Hazel finds a love she never thought possible, a courage she didn't know she had, and a joy that she thought she was incapable of feeling.

Green describes the raw emotions of the two main characters unlike other books about this subject. He writes about cancer and its side effects honestly through the eyes of a teenager and takes the reader into the heart of two teenagers in love.

Readalikes include: *Before I Die* by Jenny Downham, *Living Dead Girl* by Elizabeth Scott, *Izzy Willy Nilly* by Cynthia Voight, and *Story of a Girl* by Sara Zarr

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LIBRARY HOURS-

Main Library
Monday thru Thursday
9 a.m. - 8 p.m.
Friday & Saturday
9 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.
Sunday
1 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.
Special Collections Dept.
Tuesday-Saturday
9 a.m.-5:30 p.m.
Sunday & Monday-
CLOSED

College Grove Library
Mon. Wed. Thurs. Fri.
9 a.m.—5 p.m.
Tues. 11 a.m.-7 p.m.
Saturday & Sunday
CLOSED

Bethesda Library
Tues. Wed. Fri.
9:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.
Thursday
11 a.m. - 7 p.m.
Saturday
10 a.m. - 2 p.m.
Sunday & Monday
CLOSED

Fairview Library
Tuesday & Thursday
9 a.m. - 7 p.m.
Wednesday & Friday
9 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.
Saturday
9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Sunday & Monday-
CLOSED

Leiper's Fork Library
Tues. Wed. Fri.—10 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Thursday—11 a.m.- 7 p.m.
Saturday—10 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Sunday & Monday—CLOSED

Nolensville Library
Tues. Wed. Fri.
9 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Thursday
10 a.m. - 7 p.m.
Saturday
9 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Sunday & Monday-
CLOSED