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From the Director's Desk!

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Welcome to SPRING, and read what is going on at YOUR LIBRARY! Celebrate **National Library Week** from **April 7 – 13**, 2019 with us at WTPL. The theme this year is **“Libraries = Strong Communities!”**

Come in and join us on Mon., **April 8** at 6:30 p.m., and prepare for the **Battle of the Books!** The Greater Lehigh Valley Writers Group presents a free program of literary adventure. Watch three local authors compete against each other with you, the audience, judging their works. Join us for an evening of readings, games, prizes, and fun for everyone, with a time to talk with the authors afterwards.

On Tues., **April 9** at 6:30 p.m., we'll have **Adult Library Bingo**. Are you looking for a way to celebrate National Library Week? Do you love shouting BINGO? Anyone 18+ years old can join this book-oriented game. It's all free, and you might learn more about books or our library. You might even win a prize!

Intro to Fold3 will be held on Wed., **April 10** at 2 p.m. Do you love learning about genealogy or military history? Our newest library database might be for you. Fold3 explores military records to help you discover more about your family's military past or about the past in general, and this class will help you dive in.

Spring cleaning can be fun if you can make some money while doing the cleaning! If you want to learn **How to Sell on eBay**, join us on Sat., **April 13** at 10 a.m. or Thurs., **April 18** at 6:30 p.m. for an introduction. Learn how to list your items, add photos of the items, ship them, and get paid.

Story Time with the **Whitehall High School London Club** will be Wed., **April 17** at 7 p.m. This is open to all children, and parents must stay in the library. Do your kids love listening to tales of faraway places? The London Club is here to help! They're stopping by to read stories about travel and vacationing to get you ready for the summer! This is a free program open to all!

One Card Rules Them All. No need to carry around 3 different library cards when **one card** will give you access to all **11 LCLC libraries** (Lehigh Carbon Library Cooperative). Old cards will be exchanged for free! Come see your library staff for details. A new era for Carbon and Lehigh County libraries has begun!

Adult Coloring Club will meet on the **2nd & 4th Tuesday** of every month, 11 a.m. – 12:45 p.m. Relax and enjoy yourself with some fun coloring time. This club is for anyone 18+ years old.

The **“What Are You Reading Now?”** club will be meeting the **4th Tuesday** of every month at 1 p.m. What do you want to read? If you love to talk about books, we invite you to chat about whatever books you are reading at the moment. Share your thoughts and get some ideas for your future reading list.

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At the Movies: *Fantastic Beasts: The Crimes of Grindlewald* (PG-13)

Are you looking for a fun evening program that's good for the whole family? Our **3rd Tuesday Movie Night** has you covered, bringing you a fun film once a month that you can all enjoy together. This month, on Tues., **April 16**, we're showing the second film in the *Fantastic Beasts* series, ***The Crimes of Grindlewald***. This film, which is part of J.K. Rowling's larger Wizarding World, follows the continuing adventures of magizoologist Newt Scamander as he searches for a dangerous young wizard and also for the woman that he loves.

Spring Cleaning



If you're spring cleaning right now and have some old things to get rid of, eBay is the perfect place to do that. Not sure where to start? Director Patty Vahey has two classes to help you, called **How to Sell on eBay**. The first will be Sat., **April 13**, 10 a.m. – Noon, and we'll have it again on Thurs., **April 18**, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. You can come to either or both if you want to get more comfortable with the website or have more questions.

Journey Through the Pages

Summer is just around the corner! As you and your family start to think about vacation, you can experience faraway places through the magic of storytelling. Whitehall High School's **London Club** will offer a special **Story Time** on Wed., **April 17** at 7 p.m. to get the kids ready for **Travel and Vacation**, which is the theme for this year.



Space Rocks!

Space isn't just an empty void. It's full of stars, black holes, and more, including many, many rocks. From small bodies to planetoids and planets, there's a lot to learn about and explore. If you want to learn more about comets, asteroids, meteorites, and the other rocks



that are constantly travelling all around us, come see **Jolie Chylack** of the Lehigh County Conservation District on Wed., **April 3** at 1 p.m. In her program **Buckets Full of Nature: Space Rocks**, she will talk about some of these rocks and then read some stories, do a craft, and tell kids how they can identify some of the objects in the night sky.



The Good Earth

Earth Day is almost here! Celebrated on **April 22**, this is a great time of year to think about the world around us. We have a couple ways for you to do that. We'll have one opportunity for you for the entire month of April that can help the environment and the library, too! For the entire month of April, the library will receive a **\$1 donation** every time a \$2.50 reusable **Bags 4 My Cause Bag** is sold at the **GIANT** stores located at 202 Chestnut St., Coplay PA & 2641 MacArthur Rd., Whitehall PA.



In addition, we're also working with a representative from **Waste Management** to schedule a program with her. She'll talk about the **recycling** process and how you can sort your trash and recycling most effectively. Do you have any questions about what can and can't be recycled? This will be a great time to ask them. Stay tuned for more information on this and other events.

BINGO!

One of our favorite annual activities during National Library Week is a game of **Adult Bingo**. This is a library-themed game that's fun to play and sometimes educational. Your Bingo card might feature book quotes or images or maybe some different sections that you can find in the library. This game is on Tues., **April 9** at 6:30 p.m. It's free to play, and you might win some cool prizes!



This year, **National Library Week** runs **April 7-13** with the theme "Libraries = Strong Communities." Here at the library, we're getting our community together with several events including a Bingo game and Battle of the books (see details on this page) and two computer classes. We'll show patrons how to use our new Fold3 database (pg 4) and how to sell items on eBay (pg 2).

Battle of the Books

Another thing we like to do at this time of year is bring in **local authors** to share their work and have some fun. This year, we're bringing in three authors from the Greater Lehigh Valley Writers Group on Mon., **April 8** at 6:30 p.m. for a **Battle of the Books**. These authors will pit their works against each other and you, the audience, will be the judge and decide which book reigns supreme. Whether this is your first time coming to a Battle of the Books or whether you've been to one before, there's always something new.



It's an evening of Join us for an evening of readings, games, prizes, and fun for everyone. After the battle is over, the authors will stick around for a Q & A session and then a book signing and some more informal conversation. This year's authors are:



Phil Giunta

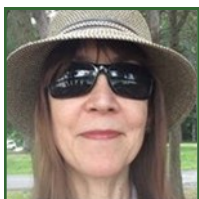
Phil's novels include the paranormal mysteries *Testing the Prisoner* and *By Your Side*. His short stories appear in such anthologies as *ReDeus: Divine Tales*, *ReDeus: Beyond Borders*, and the *Middle of Eternity* series, which he also helped edit. He recently finished the paranormal mystery novella *Like Mother, Like Daughters*. Visit Phil's website (<http://www.philgiunta.com>) for more information and free fiction samples.

Dawn Sooy



Dawn worked as a Business Analyst in the Telecommunications area. This included writing training material for each program launched. One major launch supported was the first generation iPhone. Dawn wrote the documentation for training the agents to work the orders. In 2014, she decided to resign from her job and begin writing again. In between writing short stories, she is currently working on a novel "New Beginnings." Recent Short Story Publications include "Bed Partners," "Vital Signs," "Holly's Ghost," and "Katie's Wish." Dawn is currently the Secretary for the Greater Lehigh Valley Writers Group.

Dianna Sinovic



Dianna's checkered career has included being a newspaper editor, quilter, feature writer, marathoner, crossword puzzle fanatic, stable girl, guitar noodler, and librarian. She also makes a mean olive tapenade, and holds a black belt in recreational kayaking.



Database Spotlight: Fold3

The Database: Fold3 provides convenient access to military records, including the stories, photos, and personal documents of the men and women who served. These records help you discover and share stories about these everyday heroes, forgotten soldiers, and the families that supported them.

The Name: The name Fold3 comes from the fact that in some flag-folding ceremonies, the third fold honors and remembers veterans for their sacrifice in defending their country and promoting peace.

The Class: Do you want to learn more about this database? Do you want to use it to find information on military history or to help you with your own genealogical records? On Wed., **April 10**, 2-3 p.m., we'll have an **Intro to Fold3**. It'll mostly focus on the American Revolution and WWII. If we have time, we might also cover other wars and other topics, such as the archives fire at the Army Archives for WWII and how to get the best chance of records recovery.



Book Nook

April is the month when most gardeners get their hands dirty. To be a successful gardener, you need knowledge about soil, weather, sun/shade, plants, and pests, to name a few things. The easiest and least expensive way to get this information is to borrow books from your library. Most of these can be found in the regular and oversize stacks with a Dewey number starting with 635. My favorites for vegetables are *Square Foot Gardening* by Mel Bartholomew and books about companion planting. Companion planting is growing compatible vegetables and/or flowers together to save space, to attract good insects, and to ward off pests. Or keep it simple and do container plants. When your crops are ready, a little further down in the 641s are cookbooks, including canning and freezing.



If flower gardening is more your thing, we have books on specific types and kinds, such as perennials, shade plants and roses. We also have books on landscape design (712.6), lawn care, and swimming pools (643.55). You're going to need a shed (690) to store your tools. When you're done, how about relaxing on a deck or patio (690)? Want to get the kids involved? Build a bird house (690.8927)! April is a great time to be outside; it's not too hot, and what you accomplish now can be enjoyed for the rest of the summer. Come check out our books - there are lots of great ideas waiting to be found.

~ Chris Andrews

Ongoing Activities

Beading Club - Mondays & Thursdays, 1:30 p.m.

Creation Station - 1st Tuesday, 6:30 p.m. (recommended Grades 2-6)

Lehigh Valley Knitting Guild - 1st & 3rd Thursday, 6-8 p.m.

Adult Coloring Club - 2nd & 4th Tuesday, 11 a.m. - 12:45 p.m.

3rd Monday Open Mic/Jam - 3rd Monday, 6:30 p.m. (audience & performers welcome)

Family Movie Night - 3rd Tuesday, 6:00 p.m.

What Are You Reading Now?: Adult Book Talks - 4th Tuesday, 1-2 p.m.



A Trip Into History



THE MUSEUM OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION
 includes **LUNCH** at the **CHART HOUSE**
 sponsored by the **Friends of the Whitehall Township Public Library**

Saturday, September 28, 2019

The Friends of the Whitehall Township Public Library invite you to join them on a trip to Philadelphia's newest museum (opened April 2017) and to enjoy a three-course lunch at one of Philly's top restaurants. We will start and end at the Museum of the American Revolution with a break for lunch. There is much to learn in the museum, so an extended lunch break will give us a chance to refresh.

8:30 AM	Leave Whitehall Township Public Library parking lot 3700 Mechanicsville Road, Whitehall, PA 18052
10:00 AM	ETA Museum, self- guided tour with audio guides
12:00 NOON	Depart for Chart House after turning in audio guides Lunch includes salad, dessert, hot coffee/tea, soda, iced tea Preorder below: Cheeseburger, lettuce, tomato, fries Grilled chicken, avocado pico de gallo, rice Coconut shrimp with rice and citrus salsa
2:00 PM	Return to museum - pick up audio guide Finish self- guided tour, browse gift shop
4:30 PM	Depart for Whitehall ETA 6 PM



The cost per person of \$90 include bus, driver gratuity, admission to museum with audio guide, three-course lunch with tax and gratuity. **NO REFUNDS UNLESS YOU FIND A SUBSTITUTE.**

Complete the form below and mail with checks (NO CREDIT CARDS) payable to Enzo Travel, 3320 Airport Road, Allentown, PA 18109. The deadline for checks in the office is **noon, August 24**. If we do not have 40 by that date, the trip will be cancelled. Invite friends and family, neighbors and acquaintances. There are no phone reservations and seats are assigned in order of checks received. For more information call Sara 610-264-4585.

Cut here to send.

NAME: _____ @ \$90

PHONE: _____ AMT. ENCLOSED

CELL (used 9/28 only): _____

EMAIL (used for bus seat assignments and reminders): _____

LUNCH CHOICE: _____ CHEESEBURGER _____ CHICKEN _____ SHRIMP
 (check one)

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Beading Club is on **Mondays & Thursdays**, at 1:30 p.m. Do you enjoy beaded jewelry? Were you ever interested in making it yourself? If you ever wanted to try your hand at the craft, now's the time! You don't need to commit to every club meeting; just come as you will.

The library has an ongoing **wish list** for items needed at the library, which we accept at any time. We particularly need gift cards (any store), art supplies, colored copier paper, disinfecting wipes, a bag of birdseed, and colored duct tape.

Did you know that WTPL collects items for a number of community organizations? For instance, in **Snack Pack Pals**, packs of food are gathered and packed for kids who are in the most need of nutritious foods to alleviate severe hunger needs during long weekends when free breakfast and lunch are not available at the school. Also, in **Helping Hearts and Handbags**, the Little Ladies Purse Program will now be collecting items for little girls. They need items for girls ages 3 – 7 for family homeless shelters. They will be gathering kids' socks, hair bows and barrettes, child-sized toothbrushes, stickers, children's books, and more.

~ Patty Vahey

Last Month

Last month we finally left the winter behind us and entered into spring. Part of that meant that we wrapped up our Adult Winter Reading Program "Reading Cures the Winter Blues" on March 26 (right). This winter, 40 people registered, and they read a total of 699 books! Well done to everyone who participated! If you want to join the Summer Reading Program, it will begin on June 4 for both adults and children, but in the meantime, adults can come to our monthly book talks "What Are You Reading Now?" for literary discussion and ideas. This meets on the 4th Tuesday of every month from 1-2 p.m.



Library staffers Chris Andrews, Jim Gilbert, Andrea Hargrove (editor), and Patty Vahey produced this newsletter.

In honor of **Earth Day (April 22)**, here's some nature humor for you.

Q. Why are people always tired on Earth Day?

A. They just finished a long March.

Q. How do trees get on the Internet?

A. They log in.

Q. How do you cut a wave in half?

A. Use a sea saw.

Q. What's the difference between weather and climate?

A. You can't weather a tree, but you can climate.

Q. Why is grass so dangerous?

A. Because it's full of blades.

Q. What did the ground say to the earthquake?

A. You crack me up!