



Westerville  
Public Library

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# between the pages

## Grant money will fund a library celebration of Ohio authors for kids

The State Library of Ohio Board has awarded the library a special Choose to Read Ohio LSTA grant of \$2,490. The library's proposal was one of just six approved for public libraries across the state.

With the funds, we are planning an April celebration of Ohio authors for children. Four book titles written or illustrated by Ohioans will be purchased in sets of 20 copies. Then, each Monday in April, children in the Bookworms pre-reader book club will meet to read one of the books and enjoy related activities.

The marquee event of the April celebration will be a visit from Will Hillenbrand, illustrator of *Sleep, Big Bear, Sleep!* He will be the "celebrity guest" at Bookworms and then lead the fun at an evening event especially for families. Hillenbrand will also meet with students at Hanby Arts Magnet School. Watch for dates!



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## Writing contest welcomes your stories, poems

Children and adults of every age are invited to enter the 5th annual Celebrate the Arts Writing Contest sponsored by the Arts Council of Westerville, the library and Suburban News Publications. The contest deadline is March 3.

First place winners from five age categories will see their writing and photo published in the Westerville News & Public Opinion newspaper and online. Adult and youth finalists will be the honored readers at age-targeted receptions April 16.

Entries are compiled by the Arts Council and published as a book available for purchase and on the library shelves for check-out. For contest guidelines, call the library at 882-7277, ext. 2164 or visit the library's website.



## Thank you, volunteers and customers

The Friends Shoppe celebrated its 13th anniversary in December. We extend a heartfelt thank you to all those who have played a part in helping us succeed. Our volunteers are amazing as are our loyal customers.

Your support has made the shop a success and allows us to provide the library with much-needed funds. The shop is run entirely by volunteers and all proceeds are used to help the library with projects such as the popular music in the atrium series, various reading programs and the presentations to mark the Civil War anniversary.

We always welcome used book donations, and currently we have a shortage in the non-fiction categories. Regretfully, we cannot accept magazines. The Friends is a non-profit organization, so your book donations may be tax deductible.

The Friends Shoppe needs to expand its team of volunteers. If you have a few hours a month to help, please stop by the shop or call 882-7590.

— Arlene Roeder, President

# directions

Notes from Library Director Don Barlow

## Happy 2011!

Happy New Year! I extend my appreciation to all of you for helping your library celebrate another very successful year.

Once again our library was selected as one of the best libraries in the country, ranking 8th of 759 public libraries serving a population of 50,000-100,000 residents. Your library also received a Five Star rating by the *Library Journal*, the highest ranking available to public libraries. Only 85 Five Star libraries were selected from more than 7,900 public libraries throughout the U.S.

Working together, we rolled up our sleeves and addressed many issues during a very difficult financial year. We reduced our budget by nearly 30%. Some of the cuts were painful, such as closing on Sundays; drastically reducing our ability to purchase new materials; and curtailing staffing. But, with your patience, understanding and support, the library continues to excel.

While we face another difficult financial year, our primary goal is always the same—to furnish our patrons with the materials and information they need, while providing outstanding customer service.

We will continue to do just that, and we look forward to another great year of serving you and your family.

## New collection for early readers: “First Chapter” books

There's a new place for a young reader to browse when it's time to transition from easy readers into chapter books. More than 1,000 books in the new category called “First Chapter” are shelved just inside the chapter book room in Youth Services and ready for your child to check out.

Not sure when to make the transition? See our tips for choosing books for kids at [explore.westervillelibrary.org/books4kids](http://explore.westervillelibrary.org/books4kids)



# hot titles

BOOKS & MOVIES coming soon

## BOOKS

Dru Rayne and her uncle fled to L.A. after Hurricane Katrina; but now they face a different danger, while feds mysteriously watch them. Dru and her uncle are not who they seem in **Sentry** by Robert Crais. (Jan.)

In this sequence of beguiling stories rooted in colonial times, the founding families cultivate the strange red soil in the village's first garden. Generation after generation, strangers find refuge and love blossoms in **The Red Garden** by Alice Hoffman. (Jan.)

Detective Eve Dallas and her partner Peabody are following up on a killing as Peabody stumbles upon a trickier situation in **Treachery in Death** by J.D. Robb. While hiding, she overhears fellow officers arguing details of murder. Can Peabody and Eve put away the dirty cops? (Feb.)

When Constable Hamish Macbeth discovers a dead body stuffed inside the chimney, the entire town is certain Pete Ray the itinerant sweep is the culprit. Then Pete's body is found on the Scottish moors. Once again, it's up to Hamish to discover who's responsible in **Death of a Chimney Sweep** by M.C. Beaton. (Feb.)

Noel learns that his former flame is terminally ill and pregnant with a child she claims is his, so he agrees to take care of the baby girl once she's born. He discovers an amazing network of family and friends ready to help in **Minding Frankie** by Maeve Binchy. (Mar.)

Myron Bolitar looks up to see former tennis star Suzze T standing in his doorway in tears. Her rock star husband, Lex, has disappeared and a very pregnant Suzze fears paternity rumors have driven him away in **Live Wire** by Harlan Coben. (Mar.)

## MOVIES

**Alpha and Omega** PG-13 (Jan.)      **Beverly Hills Chihuahua 2** PG-13 (Feb.)

**Dinner for Schmucks** PG (Jan.)      **Life As We Know It** PG-13 (Feb.)

**Secretariat** PG (Jan.)      **You Again** PG (Feb.)

Release dates are subject to change.

— compiled by Belinda Mortensen, Collection Development Coordinator

From the archives of the  
Library's Local History Center



## Westerville Trolley

In 1891, families gathered at the Westerville depot to catch the train to the Ohio State Fair. Much to their dismay, the train was filled to capacity with passengers from farther north and did not stop. One disgruntled passenger, Gary W. Meeker, decided to take action.

Meeker helped to found the Columbus and Westerville Railway Company in 1892 with the goal of connecting the two communities with a trolley line. Three years later, after a campaign to raise \$70,000, the trolley tracks were laid coming up Cleveland Ave., jogging northeast through Minerva Park, continuing through Westerville and ending at Old County Line Road.

The inaugural trolley run brought the Columbus Brass Band to Westerville to perform for the waiting villagers, with Gary Meeker as motorman. The trolley ran this route until 1929 when the use of the popular automobile spelled its demise.

— compiled by Beth Weinhardt  
Local History Coordinator

## "I ♥ BOOKS" entices adult winter readers

All booklovers ages 18+ are being wooed by this winter's reading program for adults that features books and prizes readers will love. The Friends of the Library is lead sponsor, and grand prizes include a special gift package from their shop as well as delectable treats, complimentary meals, and passes for entertainment from area businesses. Sign up for I ♥ BOOKS at the library or online, now through February 19. Begin reading, logging and rating your titles and be eligible for weekly and grand drawings offering prizes you will ♥.

I ♥  
BOOKS

# programs

## For Adults

### Computer Classes

Various dates and times

Reserve your seat at an introductory class featuring hands-on instruction by librarians. Classes include: Computers, the Internet, Email, Microsoft (MS) Word, MS Excel and MS Powerpoint. *Registration required.*

### Downloading eBooks and eAudiobooks

Thursday, Jan. 27, 7-8pm

Find out how to borrow thousands of free titles for your eReader, MP3 or computer. Meeting Room A. *Registration required.*

### Sugared and Stamped with Love

Wednesday, Feb. 9, 6:30-8:30pm

Craft a unique heart-shaped cookie bouquet in a stamped-with-love jar. Meeting Room B. *Registration required.*

### Born to Read: For Expectant Parents and Caregivers

Thursdays, Jan. 27, Feb. 24 or Mar. 31, 6:30-8:30pm

You are your baby's first teacher! Learn ways to enhance early literacy skills. Classes held at Mt. Carmel St. Ann's Hospital. Call 614-898-MOMS (6667) to register.

### Managing Diabetes

Thursday, Feb. 10, 7-8pm

Fundamentals and tips for care from pharmacist Jarrett Bauder of Uptown Pharmacy. Meeting Room B. *Registration required.*

### Everybody Can Build Peace

Thursday, Feb. 17, 6-8:45pm

How can you contribute? Chadwick Alger of the Mershon Center at OSU will recommend ways. Meeting Room B. *Registration required.*

### Resume Critiques

Mondays, Jan. 24; Feb. 7, 28;  
Mar. 14 & 28, 4:30-6:30pm

Register for 15 minutes of constructive suggestions from Bernard Noel of FastForward Careers. *Registration required.*

### Resume Workshop

Saturdays, Jan. 22 & Mar. 19, 9-11:30am

Discover the key ingredients of a successful resume and essential interviewing skills from Bernie Noel. Meeting Room B. *Registration required.*



## To Register

For a complete calendar of events, please log on to [www.westervillelibrary.org](http://www.westervillelibrary.org) and click on the calendar or call (614) 882-7277 ext. 5006 for Youth or Teen programs and ext. 5004 for Adults. Registration (if required) is available online or by phone.



### All About eBay

*All require registration.*

#### The Basics

Thursday, Feb. 24, 7-8:30pm Meeting Rooms

#### Set Up an Account: One-on-One

Thursdays, Mar. 3, 10, 17 & 24, 2-4pm Study Room South  
Reserve a 45-minute session for help on setting up your first eBay and Paypal account.

#### Buying & Selling

Monday, Mar. 21, 9am-noon Meeting Room A  
Get pointers from eBay trainer Katie Hux.

### Sustainable Landscaping

Saturday, Mar. 12, 9am-12:30pm

The Westerville Shade Tree Commission invites you to the conversation.



- Sustainable landscaping and its use in the Highland Park renovation, with Steve Kolwicz, POD Design co-founder
- Making "sustainable" work in your backyard, with Stephanie Suter, Franklin Soil & Water Conservation District
- Selecting the right plants and materials for your sustainable project, with Annette Durbin, Oakland Nurseries

Meeting Rooms. *Registration encouraged.*

# programs



## Civil War Era Clothing: Fashion Show & Try-It-On

Presented by the Ohio Historical Society

Saturday, Mar. 5, 2-3:30pm

Get a glimpse of 1860s clothing at a fashion show featuring ballgowns, everyday, work and Sunday clothing. Try on a selection of garments. For all ages.

## Meet the Civil War Tea Lady

Saturday, Mar. 19, 4-5:30pm

Delight in Rose Geranium Cake & tea while Civil War re-enactor Kay Ruley discusses women's social lives and duties of the time. For ages 8 through adult.

*Registration required.*



## Fighting for Freedom: The Story of U.S. Colored Troops

Friday, April 22, 2-3pm

History comes alive through the eyes of an African American soldier. Anthony Gibbs of the Greater Columbus Arts Council relives the Civil War experiences of the Colored Troops brigade. For ages 6 and up.

## For Children & Families

### Tail Waggin' Tutors

Wednesdays, Jan. - Mar., 7-8pm

Register for five minutes of read-aloud time with a gentle dog. Ages 6 & up.



### Firefly Tales

Mondays in January, 7-7:30pm

Evening stories, songs and rhymes will entertain the entire family.

### Zoo Adventure!

Friday, Feb. 11

10-11am or 11:30am-12:30pm

Hear stories, sing songs, play games and discover amazing animal facts during this zoo adventure. *Registration required.*

## For 'Tweens (Ages 8-11)

### After School Attack!

Tuesdays, Feb. 1 & Mar. 1, 4-5pm

Be surprised! Will this month be a *snack*, *art* or *science* attack? *Registration required.*

### Theatre Workshop

Fridays, 4-5:30pm

Explore theatre with a new guest speaker each month.

Jan. 28: Music with musical director Tim Valentine

Feb. 25: Dance with choreographer Kristin Gloege Michels  
*Registration required.*

## For Teens (Ages 12-18)

### Teen Volunteer Training

Jan. - Mar., each *first* Tuesday, 6-6:30pm or

each *third* Tuesday, 4-4:30pm

Interested in completing your service hours by helping out at the library? Stop in and find out which tasks and times are available.

### Teen Movie

Friday, Feb. 11, 3:30pm

*The Notebook* (PG-13) will play on the big screen.

### Guitar Hero Shred Off

Saturday, Jan. 22, 1-3pm

Challenge your friends.

### Anti-Valentine's Day Party

Saturday, Feb. 12, 2-4pm

Un-love songs, angry candy hearts and ugly valentines will help you cope.

### Duct Tape Diversions

Wednesday, Mar. 9, 3-5pm

Duct tape is the answer for a new wallet, purse or iPod holder.

### Teens Talk Books

Fridays, 4-5pm

Jan. 14: *Ship Breaker* by Paolo Bacigalupi

Feb. 18: *Jumped* by Rita Williams-Garcia



## Free eAudiobooks, eBooks available from home



Did you know you can borrow books from the library without having to leave your house?

Popular titles from *The Help* to *The Outliers* are available for download straight from the library's website. You can read or listen to eBooks or eAudiobooks on your computer, or you can transfer titles to your Nook, iPod, iPhone, Android and more. The best thing? There are never overdue fines! Titles expire at the end of your loan period and are automatically returned to the library.

Visit our eMedia page and check out the list of supported readers and mobile devices!

— contributed by Tamara Murray, Web Content Librarian



## Ask the Library Foundation

**Q:** I am planning to contribute to the Foundation. Can you tell me how my money will be used?

**A:** Yes! Donations to the Westerville Library Foundation are used to assist the library in areas of greatest need; to help with library services, programs and collections; and to build the Foundation fund for the future of the library.

For example, with the installation of the Early Literacy Stations, the Foundation is helping children gain valuable pre-reading skills while they enjoy interactive learning games.

To contribute, see the Foundation page at [westervillelibrary.org/foundation](http://westervillelibrary.org/foundation) or call ext. 2140, library administration.



## between the pages

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## Friends of the Westerville Public Library Membership Application



Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

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- Renewal  New Member
- Individual 1 year \$10  Individual Life \$75
- Family 1 year \$15  Family Life \$100
- Sustaining 1 year \$25  Corporate 1 year \$125
- Donation \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- I would like to volunteer as a Friend:  
 Friends Shoppe  Sorting/Shelving used books

You may leave your completed application and check payable to the Friends of the Westerville Public Library at the Friends Shoppe or the circulation desk, or you may mail it to: Friends Shoppe, 126 S. State St., Westerville, OH 43081.