



*Friends
of the
Greene County Library*



NEWSLETTER
MAY/JUNE 2017

FIRST THURSDAY BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP. May 4, 7 pm –
East of the Dawn: the Life of Amelia Earhart, by Susan Butler.
June 1, 7 pm – *Years of Wonders: A Novel of the Plague*, by Geraldine Brooks.

SATURDAY MATINEE. May 6, 3 pm – Disney's *Moana* (2016). Family
time to enjoy the film and popcorn.

FREE COMIC BOOK DAY. Saturday, May 6. The library, partnering with
Atlas Comics, will hand out free comic books while supplies last.



SECOND FRIDAY FILM SERIES. May 12, 7 pm – *Moonlight*
(Winner of the 2016 Academy Award). A chronicle of the childhood, adolescence,
and burgeoning adulthood of a young black man growing up in a rough
neighborhood in Miami.

June 23, 7 pm (this is the 4th Friday) – *Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find
Them* (2016). The adventures of writer Newt Scamander in New York's secret
community of witches and wizards seventy years before Harry Potter reads his
book in school.

GREEN VALLEY BOOK FAIR. For you book buyers who shop at the
Green Valley Book Fair, the upcoming dates of opening are May 6-29 and
June 24-July 17. Thousands of new and favorite titles are available. The Book
Fair is located at 2192 Green Valley Lane, Mt. Crawford, VA.

SCHEDULED GREENE LIBRARY CLOSINGS. May 8 – Staff
Training Day; May 29 – Memorial Day

COMMUNITY EVENTS IN MAY

Greene Farmers Market. The market will start up on Saturday, **May 6**, from 8 am to noon, and run until September. The new location is at Tractor Supply on Route 33 in Ruckersville.

Art Show – Firnew Farm Artists Circle. The Spring art and photography show, *Virginia Threads of American Gothic*, will be held on Sunday, **May 7**, 1-5:00 pm, at the Firnew Barn Gallery (19 Wolfstown-Hood Rd.).

Plant Sale – Spotswood Trail Garden Club. The club’s annual plant sale will take place on Saturday, **May 13**, 9 am to noon, at the Greene Visitors Center in Ruckersville. Proceeds go to “Beautify Greene” which includes the Library Reading Garden – a quiet, cozy reading spot. Thanks to the Garden Club for the upkeep and maintenance of the Reading Garden.

Strawberry Festival. The annual event takes place in the heart of Stanardsville on Saturday, **May 20**. Enjoy the famous breakfast, cakes, pies and more, plus music, dancing, and craft booths.

SUMMER READING PROGRAM KICKOFF. The big annual event to encourage children to read more books in the summer is Monday, **June 5**, 6-8 pm. All types of activities and fun events are on tap – moon bounce, juggling, ice cream, popcorn, farm animals, reptile petting zoo, animal balloons, temporary tattoos, face-painting. Last year’s event attracted around 300 of all ages and a great time was had by all. Activities will take place outdoors and inside the library.

TEENS, TWEENS, AND KIDS PROGRAMS

(Details are included in the summer issue of *Beyond the Books* and at the Greene Branch.)

Meet-a-Week. (Grades 6-12). Every Wednesday during June, the meeting room will be open from 3:30-5 pm. Join other Greene County teens for games, crafts, book club, and other activities. Snacks included. **DIY Craft Class, June 7** – Origami (registration is required)

Teen Advisory Board (TAB). (Grades 6-12). This group helps to plan teen programs and is the fun way to earn volunteer hours. May 10, June 14.

Bibliophiles: A Teen Book Club. (Grades 8-12). This group of teen book lovers meets to discuss titles chosen by the group. May 24, June 28.

Rapunzels: Book Group for Tween Girls. (Grades 4-8). This group reads and discusses great books and enjoys snacks, crafts, and games. May 18, June 20.

Sharks: Boys Book Club. (Grades 4-8). This group reads and talks about great books, does fun activities, and enjoys snacks.

Storybook Beat. (Ages 3-5). Every **Thursday** at 10:30 am.

Read and Rhyme Time. (Ages 1-2). Every **Wednesday** at 10:30 am. The **May 31** session will be **Its Bin Fun: Sensory Play for Infants and Toddlers.** This is a special story time and exploration of bins that contain sensory materials.

Mad Science Workshop: Fantastic Flyers. (Grades K-6). Monday, **June 19**, 6:30-7:30 pm. Learn the fundamental principles of flight. Registration is required and begins May 29.

INDIAN COOKING CLASS. Save the date, Saturday, **June 17**, 2 pm, for Indian Cooking with Kumud at the library meeting room. Class is limited to 25; registration is required.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON PROGRAMS IN JUNE, 2:00 pm

* **Mad Science: Build A Better World, June 15.** Learn about amazing structures, try to crush an egg, and build a giant arch on stage. Big boom ending!!

* **Picture This: Building Worlds With Story & Art, June 22.** An interactive program in which Lynn Ruehlmann tells stories from around the world while sharing art that is inspired by that part of the world or by the story.

* **Rockstar Magic Of Chris & Neal, June 29.** Popular magicians will astonish the audience with stunning illusions and passion for the dramatic.

FRIENDS MEMBERSHIPS. Don't forget to renew your annual membership when you receive a reminder postcard. Your support is needed and appreciated. A Spring drive is now underway to encourage more local small business owners to join the Friends to support Greene Library programs.

NEW NONFICTION BOOKS. Recent releases of nonfiction books:
Killers of the Flower Moon: The Osage Murders and the Birth of the FBI,
David Grann
Option B: Facing Adversity, Building Resistance, and Finding Joy,
Sheryl Sandberg and Adam Grant
Locking Up Our Own: Crime and Punishment in Black America,
James Forman, Jr.



“Laughter is by definition healthy.” Doris Lessing
“He who laughs, lasts!” Mary Pettibone Poole

Puns to make you groan: * I told my friend 10 jokes to get him to laugh. Sadly, no pun in 10 did. * What do Alexander the Great and Winnie the Pooh have in common? Same middle name.

Church Bulletin: “At the evening service tonight, the sermon will be What is Hell? Come early and listen to our choir practice.”

And as Yogi Berra once said: * Even Napoleon had his Watergate. * The future ain’t what it used to be. * You can observe a lot by just watching. * I’m not going to buy my kids an encyclopedia. Let them walk to school like I did.