

Friends of the Greene County Library



NEWSLETTER

NOVEMBER/DECEMBER 2016

FRIENDS AWARENESS MONTH. November is Friends Awareness Month. Our aim this year is to encourage the young parents in the community to support the organization and take advantage of the many library programs and activities geared from babies to teens. The Summer Reading Kickoff Party at the library in June drew a large number of young families (attendance at the event was around 300). It's events like the kickoff party, books for YDC kids, Friday film series, authors' visits, Festival of the Book, and many other programs that the Friends support. We all want to do our part to support the library and continue the programs, but we need to rely more on the younger generation to help sustain them. We thank you long-time Friends who renew your memberships each year and who give generous donations above the membership fee.

Friends of the Greene County Library, Inc. was formed during the fund-raising stage of building the library and has been active since the library opened in June 2003. Other than the Friends of the Jefferson-Madison Regional Library whose main purpose is to raise funds for various projects within the system, Greene is the only library branch of the JMRL jurisdictions that has an active Friends organization. 13 years and going strong!

Scheduled Library Closings. November 11, In-Service Day; November 24 and 25, Thanksgiving; December 23 thru 26, Christmas

NaNoWriMo. Mondays in November, 6:30-7:30 pm. If you are participating in the "National Novel Writing Month" program, come to the library for the support of a regular weekly quiet space where you can get your daily word count in.

Snacks and hot beverages will be provided. Ages 13+.

Fall Book Sale. The Friends of the JMRL will hold its Fall book sale, November 5-13, from 10 am to 7pm, at the Gordon Avenue Library. This sale offers a wide selection of great books at great prices for a great cause. The Spring 2016 sale brought in \$96,000 which benefit programs and services of JMRL.

Election Day, November 8. Your vote matters!

Veterans Day, November 11. Honor our military veterans.

First Thursday Book Club, 7:00 pm. The **November 3** session will meet to select the next series of books. **December 1:** *The Boston Girl,* by Anita Diamont. From the author of *The Red Tent* and *Day After Night*, comes an unforgettable novel about family ties and values, friendship, and feminism told through the eyes of a young Jewish woman growing up in Boston in the early twentieth century.

Fall Family Movie. Saturday, November 5, 2-4:00 pm – *The Jungle Book*, rated PG. All ages welcome. Refreshments provided. Registration is required.

Second Friday Film Series, 7:00 pm. November 18. (This is the <u>Third</u> Friday): *Wadjda* (2013). An enterprising Saudi girl signs on for her school's Koran recitation competition as a way to raise the remaining funds she needs to buy the green bicycle that has captured her interest.

December 9: *Bridge of Spies* (2015). During the Cold War, an American lawyer is recruited to defend an arrested Soviet spy in court, and then help the CIA facilitate an exchange of the spy for Soviet-captured American U2 spy plane pilot, Francis Gary Powers.

The Giving Tree. The holiday Giving Tree will be set up the library in early November so that "hands" (which identify a boy or girl and age) can be chosen and books bought for Greene County preschool kids for Christmas. New books should be gift-wrapped and brought to the library by December 1. Some of the books that the library staff suggests are: *Rattletrap Car* by Phyllis Root; *Duck! Rabbit!* by Amy Rosenthal; *Pete's Pizza* by William Steig; *City Dog*, *Country Frog* by Mo Willems. The staff can offer many other titles.

New Restaurant in Stanardsville. A welcome to "Sombreros Mexican Cuisine & Cafe" which opened on Main Street in September. Stop in and meet the Morales family (Lucrecia and Bernardo).

Storyteller Peter Jones. Radio personality and versatile storyteller, Peter Jones, the Pied Piper of Charlottesville, will bring his lively brand of storytelling to the library on Thursday, **November 17**, at 10:30 am. Ages 3+

Bottle Cap Jewelry & Magnets. Wednesday, December 7, 3:30 pm. A

workshop using bottle caps, glue, and assorted images to create necklaces, key rings, magnets, and more. Grades 6-12. Required registration begins November 16. Limit 12.

Dates for Teens, Tweens, and Kids Programs.

Teen Advisory Board (TAB) – Nov. 9, Dec. 14 at 3:30 pm Bibliophiles – Nov. 30 at 3:30 pm, No Dec. meeting Rapunzels – Nov. 17 at 3:30 pm, **No** Dec. meeting Sharks – Nov. 17, Dec. 1 & 15 at 3:30 pm Read and Rhyme Time (Wednesdays) – Nov. 9 - Dec. 14 at 10:30 am Storybook Beat (Thursdays) – Nov. 10 - Dec. 15 at 10:30 am Books at Bedtime – Dec. 19 at 6:30-7:00 pm

COMMUNITY EVENTS IN DECEMBER

Breakfast with Santa. December 3, 10:00 am, at The Lafayette Inn on Main Street. Reservations required.

The Harbor Concert Series. December 3, 2:00 pm, at the Harbor at Renaissance of Greene County (422 William Mills Drive, Stanardsville). Join in for a foottappin' good time with Pickin' Daisies.

The Annual Parade of Lights. December 3. Pre-parade activities start at 4:30 pm, the parade on Main Street starts at 5:30, and activities continue through the evening.

Notice: The Friends Membership Annual Meeting and Social will be held in January. Date and details will be sent after the holidays. "We need a 12-step program for compulsive talkers. They could call it OnAnonAnon."

Paula Poundstone

"I always wanted to be somebody, but I guess I should've been more specific." Lily Tomlin

"Beer is proof that God loves us and wants us to be happy." Benj. Franklin

Miss Charlene Mason sang, "I will not pass this way again," giving obvious pleasure to the congregation. Church Bulletin



HAVE A WONDERFUL HOLIDAY SEASON!





