



Message From The Director

I recently returned from an extended trip to my hometown. After spending some time on the farm, in the woods, at the beach, and generally all over my old stompin' grounds, one thing became very clear: things change. I grew up on a potato farm, with the occasional Sorghum season, but I did not see one potato plant. Corn was the crop of choice, and apparently a low grade (legal) marijuana, though that did not do so well this year. What?

I also decided to visit the old library while I was in town. As a library director, I feel like I would be failing in my duties if I didn't. It's been a few years (25 +/-), so after getting into the general area where I remembered it, Google had to help me out. Apparently, a few years after I moved away, they built a new library. It was nice, with an excellent children's section and a coffee area. They also renovated an old post office into a small satellite library closer to my parent's house. Things change.

Despite the changes, seeing my hometown library helped me to appreciate more the opportunity to be a part of the Washington County Library System. We don't have to compete with other county departments for our budget. We have county leaders who have done a great job of putting library branches across the county for easy access to everyone. We have a great library board of directors who are focused on the future and strive to ensure that we as a library continue to grow with our fast-growing county. We have great employees who work hard to provide quality customer service and excellent programming for our patrons. And finally, we have amazing citizens who value the library.

As the world continues to change around us, we hope to meet that change, be innovative, and continue to make the library a valuable resource for you. Come back soon!



Joel E. Tucker, Director
Washington County Library System



Back to School @ Your Library

It is August, and technically still summer, but this month begins the migration back to the hallways of school. One of the best tools for returning students is a library card! Whether you are a parent prepping for your child, or a college student getting ready for class, a library card gives you access to a world of free resources.

Stress and anxiety can happen when it is time to begin a new year. Books with school-related themes and settings are a natural choice for the first weeks of school and may help relieve some of the nervousness that occurs when facing a new situation. Here are some suggested titles to help your child get ready to launch into the school year ahead:

Preschool

Llama Llama Misses Mama by Anna Dewdney
Maisy Goes to Preschool by Lucy Cousins
Pete the Cat: Rocking in My School Shoes by James Dean
How Do Dinosaurs Go To School by Jane Yolen

Kindergarten

Froggy Goes to School by Jonathan London
Kindergarten Rocks by Katie Davis
Lookout Kindergarten, Here I Come by Nancy Carlson
A Place Called Kindergarten by Jessica Harper
First Day Jitters by Julie Danneberg

Elementary

Follow the Line to School by Laura Ljungkvist
Thank you, Mr. Falker by Patricia Polacco
The Day the Crayons Quit by Drew Daywalt

Middle School

Diary of a 6th Grade Ninja by Marcus Emerson
Diary of a Wimpy Kid by Jeff Kinney
6th Grade Can Really Kill You by Barthe DeClements

High School

Wonder by R.J. Palacio
Schooled by Gordon Korman
The Outsiders by S.E. Hinton

There are hundreds of titles to choose from at the library, and you can find books, research assistance, language tutorials, and personalized assistance by a genuine librarian available at your library branch. Check it all out @ Your Library!

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August can sometimes feel a bit like a wasteland; there's weeks of not-much-to-do in between some rather exciting holidays. But there's good reason to celebrate August, particularly in our modern never-stop-moving world. August is the perfect time to find a lonely riverbank and take a nap beneath a tree while you listen to the susurrantion of the water. Or you could finally hit level 99 in that one video game you've been working on for ages. Or perhaps, just maybe, you could get caught up on all the great DVDs you can find at your local library. For some ideas, here are a few DVDs we've added recently::

Movies & TV:

- BREAKTHROUGH
- CAPTAIN MARVEL (Brie Larson)
- DUMBO (Live action)
- FIVE FEET APART
- HOTEL MUMBAI
- UNBROKEN: PATH TO REDEMPTION
- WONDER PARK

Documentaries:

- AMERICAN YOGI
- ANDREW LLOYD WEBBER'S THE PHANTOM OF THE OPERA AT THE...
- APOLLO 11
- THE BILL MURRAY STORIES.
- DRAIN THE OCEAN. WWII
- HARRY POTTER: A HISTORY OF MAGIC

In keeping with the laid-back nature of August, we don't want to stress you out by charging for DVDs, so they're FREE to borrow with your Washington County Library Card. (Okay, so they're free the rest of the year too. But you get the picture, right?) So take a moment or two from your riverbank napping or leveling up to pick up some great DVDs at the library. Believe us—it'll be worth it.

-Beth Meyers,
St. George Library

Employee Spotlight



It is my pleasure to recognize Tracie Madsen as the employee spotlight for July.

Tracie has not been with us too long, but she has quickly set herself up as an integral part of the Washington County Library System. I think one of the library board members was digging through her purse for a pitchfork, torch, and noose

when I told them that Micki would no longer be my administrative assistant. So it was a good thing that Tracie joined the team and impressed everyone with her strong people skills, organization skills, and attention to detail.

In her short time with us, Tracie has taken on Erate, supply purchasing, Pcards, library board/management team minutes, applicant reviews, file management (including e-files), and so much more. She is meticulous in her work, hardworking, and a valuable part of the team. Micki did great work as she juggled two jobs, but Tracie is amazing! Please congratulate Tracie as our spotlight!

-Joel Tucker, Director

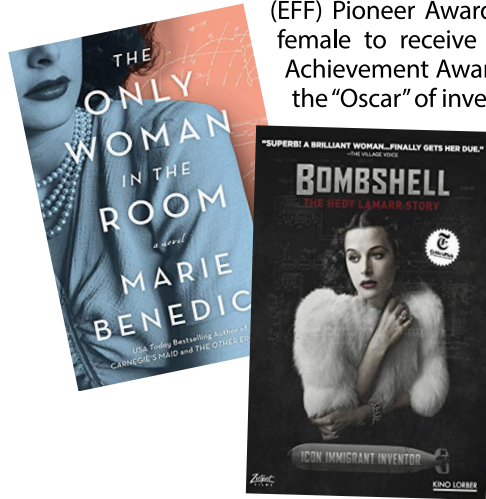
Book Review - The Only Woman in the Room

"The Only Woman in the Room" by Marie Benedict tells the incredible story of one of the most influential inventors of the 20th century. If you enjoy watching black and white movies from the 1930s and '40s you have probably heard of Hedy Lamarr. What you probably didn't know is how she came up with a communications invention that is used every day in our cell phones.

The book starts out with the courtship between Hedy and her husband, Friedrich Mandl. Her life changes quickly and not in the way she thought that it would. Constant dinner parties with her husband's associates and their wives, her husband's temper and controlling ways begin to take its toll; all the while the threat of Hitler moving into Austria is always hovering in the background. Her husband and his associates talk about delivering guns and weaponry to the cause over dinner as if the wives are not even there. But Hedy is more than a pretty face and with the skills learned from acting, she memorizes what she overhears.

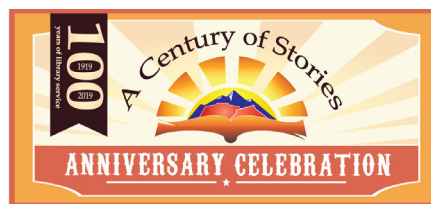
When she eventually gathers the courage to run away from her husband she ends up in Hollywood, where she quickly becomes a popular actress. The war is still raging and wanting to help she turns the information she heard into an effective weaponry system and presents it to the Navy. Because she is a beautiful woman they reject her invention as nonsense.

It wasn't until 1997 that Hedy Lamarr was finally recognized for her invention and honored with the Electronic Frontier Foundation (EFF) Pioneer Award, along with being the first female to receive the BULBIE Gnass Spirit of Achievement Award, which is considered to be the "Oscar" of inventing.



This is a fascinating story about the empowerment and determination of a smart and beautiful woman trying to help during the war. If you like this book then be sure to check out "Bombshell - The Hedy Lamarr Story" available on DVD from the Santa Clara Branch.

-Christa Phelps,
St. George Library



The Enterprise Library will host a celebration to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the Washington County Library System!

Join us at the party on Thursday, August 15th from 5:00 to 7:00 pm at the Enterprise branch at 393 S. 200 E. in Enterprise. Special appearances by former Enterprise Library employees will be followed by free food and games. Plan on creating a ceramic tile to be placed in a community art installation to be displayed at the Enterprise Library. For more information, please call the Enterprise Library at 435-878-2574.

Library Programs and Events

Hurricane Branch

Monday - Friday - Story Time 11:00 am *resumes Aug. 5th
Mondays - Dungeons & Dragons 3:00 pm
Thursdays - Dungeons & Dragons 7:00 pm
Fridays - Magic the Gathering 3:00 pm
Friday, August 2 - Readers Circle Book Club 3:00 pm
Wednesday, August 7 & 21 - Dungeons & Dragons 3:00 pm
Wednesday, August 14 & 28 - Crochet Club 3:30 pm
Wednesday, August 21 - Anime Club: After Dark 7:30 pm
Wednesday, August 28 - Organize Your Space Group 7:00 pm

Santa Clara Branch

Saturdays - Tai Chi 10:30 am
Tuesdays - Toddler Time 10:15 & 11:30 am *resumes Aug. 20
Wednesdays - Story Time 10:15 & 11:30 am *resumes Aug. 21
Thursday, August 8 - 5:30 pm Tech Bites: Digital Library Books
Monday, August 12 - Lego Free Play 4:00 pm
Tuesday, August 13 - Chapter One Book Club 5:30 pm
Thursday, August 15 - P.A.W.S. for Tales 4:00 pm
Monday, August 19 - L.I.F.E. Program 10:30 am

St. George Branch

Mondays - Story Time with Grandpa Steve 10:00 & 11:00
Mondays - Story Time with Miss Jill 1:00 pm
Wednesdays - Story Time with Mrs. Mann
10:00, 11:00, 2:00 & 5:00
Thursdays - Toddler Time 10:00, 11:00 & 1:00 pm
Fridays - Toddler Time 11:00 am
Saturdays - Movie Matinee 2:00 pm
Monday, August 5 - P.A.W.S. for Tales 4:00 pm
Thursday, August 15 - Cooking with Seasonal Fruit
and Veggies 6:00 pm
Thursday, August 22 - Fall Gardening 6:00 pm
Thursday, August 29 - Jewelry Workshop 6:00 pm *sign up required

Washington Branch

Tuesdays - Toddler Time 10:00 & 11:00 am
Wednesday - Friday - Story Time 10:30 am
Wednesdays - Teen Events 4:00 pm
Tuesday, August 13 - P.A.W.S. for Tales 4:00 pm
Thursday, August 15 - Book Ends Book Club 4:30 pm
Thursday, August 22 - Virtual Vacation to Australia 6:00 pm

New Harmony Branch

Tuesdays - Art Journaling 1:00 - 3:00 pm
Wednesdays - Story Time 12:00 pm *resumes Aug. 14th

Hildale Branch

Wednesday, August 14 - After School @ the Library 3:30 pm
Tuesday, August 20 - Hildale Writer's Group 7:00 pm
Wednesday, August 21 - Anime Club 5:00 pm

Library Programs and Events

Enterprise Branch

Wednesdays - Story Time 10:30 am *resumes Aug. 14
Wednesdays - Youth Activities 2:45 pm *resumes Aug. 14
Thursday, August 15 - Century of Stories 100th Anniversary
Celebration 5:00 - 7:00 pm

Springdale Branch

Thursdays - Story Time 11:00 am
Wednesday, August 28 - Book Discussion Group 7:00 pm
Friday, August 30 - Movie "Shazam" * starts at dusk

What's In A Name? Author Pseudonyms

Superman was Clark Kent, Batman was Bruce Wayne, and Tony Stark became Ironman. All of these superheroes have an alter-ego, as do many of our most popular authors. When you see an author's name on a book cover, it gives you an idea of what genre and style you will be reading. Most writers become known for a particular genre, but what if a well-known author wants to write something completely different without alerting their fans?

That's where pseudonyms come in. Authors frequently chose to publish under a pen name. Lewis Carroll was born Charles L. Dodgson, Mark Twain grew up as Samuel Langhorne Clemens, and Theodor Seuss Geisel was the name of Dr. Seuss. Where it gets really interesting is when a well-established author writes secretly under a pen name.

New York Times bestselling author Dean Koontz has admitted to writing under at least ten names. His editors cautioned him against writing in different genres under the same name, so he created alter-egos to allow him to write in a different style.

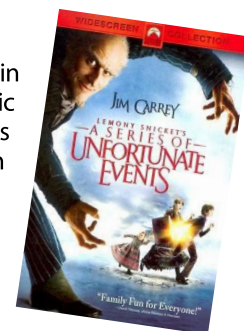
Here are some famous authors and their pseudonyms, see if you have read any of the books they have written:

Author J.K. Rowling, known for the Harry Potter series of books and movies, and the Fantastic Beasts movies writes adult fiction as Robert Galbraith in *The Cuckoo's Calling*, *The Silkworm*, *Career of Evil* and *Lethal White*.

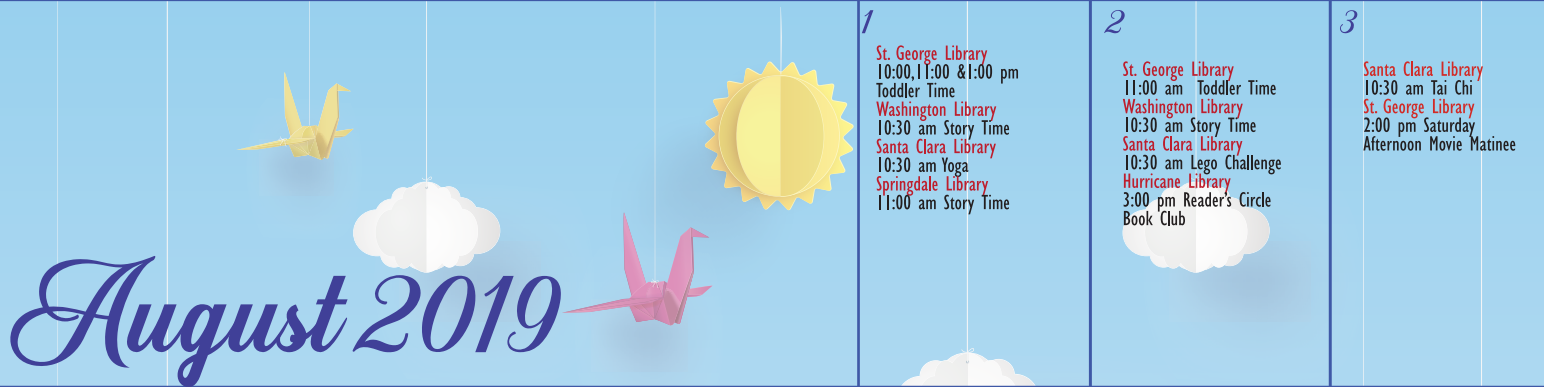
Author Stephen King, known for many titles including *The Shawshank Redemption*, *The Shining*, *It*, *The Dark Tower* series, and *The Green Mile* writes as Richard Bachman in *Rage*, *The Long Walk*, *Roadwork*, *The Running Man*, *The Regulators*, and *Blaze*.

Author Nora Roberts has written over 200 titles including the *Cousins O'Dwyer* and *Bannion Family* series. She writes as J.D. Robb for the forty-five titles of the *In Death* Series.

Author Daniel Handler has published six titles in adult and young adult fiction, including *The Basic Eight*, *Why We Broke Up*, and *We Are Pirates*. He is best known as Lemony Snicket, and has written *A Series of Unfortunate Events* (which is also a movie and TV series) and *All the Wrong Questions*. These are just a few examples of authors and their pseudonyms. You can find many more @ your library!



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