Our NEW website (still at www.whitehallpl.org) will go “LIVE” on June 4, but you can see a preview now. Check it out!

The Summer Reading Program will BLAST OFF on Tues., June 4, and it will be for all ages, kids, teens and adults. Our theme this year will be “A Universe of Stories,” and space and planets will be the subject for the summer! We’ll talk about space, NASA, planets, and the 50th anniversary of the moon walk, which was July 20, 1969. Everyone can sign up June 4 - August 3.

Mark your calendar for a few of our programs. We’ll have two more Buckets Full of Nature programs with Jolie Chylack of the Lehigh County Conservation District: Space Rocks on Thurs., June 27, 10 a.m. and Sensational Sun and Marvelous Moon! on Thurs., July 18, 10 a.m.

Another of our programs will be Atmosphere for Food with Dr. Annabelle Broadbent will be Tues., July 9 at 6 p.m. Are you a fan of food? Have you ever wondered what it’s like bringing food to space? Dr. Broadbent, an internationally recognized pathogenic food microbiologist, food/nutrition research scientist, will tell us about the relationship between food and space, covering topics such as the transfer of technology from space to the dinner table, preparing food for astronauts on their journeys into space, and food safety. Check out our calendar and newsletter or website for a complete list of programs!

We want everyone to be reading or listening to books this summer, so stop by now and get your LCLC card. Children five years old and older may get a card when a parent does. No need to carry around 11 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 more details. We would like everyone to read at least 20 minutes a day, every day!

Some of our databases you can use for FREE with your LCLC card:
- **AtoZ World Food** - It’s the only food database with traditional recipes for 174 countries of the world in all course categories: appetizers, soups, salads, breads, main courses, side dishes, desserts, and beverages. It covers food culture for about national cuisine, regional cuisine, daily meals, dining etiquette, special occasion foods, and food trivia.
- **AtoZ the USA** - Library patrons and students will find unmatched coverage of the country’s people, history, economy, geography, symbols, culture, and society.
- **AtoZ the World** - Curious about the world? AtoZ The World has you covered. With AtoZ the World, information about world history, cul-
Kids’ Summer Reading Program

What It Is:
If any kids love reading or like earning prizes or want to avoid that “summer slide” where reading is harder when they get back to school in the fall, they can sign up for our Kids’ SRP. This lets kids log books in as they read them and then earn prizes as they read more. You can register and log books from our website (www.whitehallpl.org) and pick up prizes at our front desk. This year you can register a whole family (adults and kids) with one username and password, though you’ll still need to make individual pages for your logs.

This year’s theme is “A Universe of Stories” in honor of the 50th anniversary of the moon landing, which was on July 20, 1969.

When It Is:
Kids can register and log books from Tues., June 4, 9 a.m. - Sat., August 3, 4:30 p.m.

There will be a Wrap-Up Party on Sat., August 10, 1 p.m. - 3 p.m.

Kids’ Programs:
As part of the SRP, we’ll have a variety of kids’ programs and events including:
- **Craft Time** - Tue., June 11, 1:30 p.m.; Wed., June 12, 11 a.m.; Thurs., June 13, 11 a.m. & 1:30 p.m.; Tue., June 18, 2 p.m.; Wed., June 19, 11 a.m.
- **Space Activity** - Wed., June 12, 1:30 p.m.
- **Lego Time** - Wed., June 19, 2 p.m.
- **Simply Color & Play** - Thurs., June 20, 1:30 p.m.
- **Super Science & Amazing Art** - Tues., June 25, 6:30 p.m.
- **Kids’ Library Bingo** - Wed., June 26, 6 p.m.
- **Buckets Full of Nature: Space Rocks** - Thurs., June 27, 10 a.m. (Details Below)

At the Movies

On the 3rd Tuesday of every month at 6 p.m., we show a different film so that you can get out with the family to see a movie without having to go out to the theater. This year marks the 50th anniversary of the first moon landing (July 20, 1969), so on Tues., June 18, we’re watching **First Man** (PG-13), a look at the life of the astronaut, Neil Armstrong, his legendary space mission, and that historic moment.

Space Rocks!

Space isn’t just an empty void. From small bodies to planetoids and planets, there’s a lot to learn about and explore. If you want to know 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 Thurs., June 27 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.
Adult Summer Reading Program

What It Is:
Kids aren’t the only ones who want to spend the summer reading, so we have a program for adults, too! Open to anyone 18 years or older, this program gives you a chance to try new things and to talk about your book picks with others. This year, the adults will have the same program theme as the kids, so you can get ready for “A Universe of Stories,” too.

To participate, you can register and log books from our website (www.whitehallpl.org) or at the front desk. As long as you register and log at least one book, you’re eligible for a small prize at the end of the summer, but, of course, we encourage you to read as much as you like! You can either log your books on the computer or return a paper log; you don’t have to do both.

When It Is:
Adults can register and log books from Tues., June 4, 9:00 a.m. - Sat., August 24, 5 p.m.

There will be a Wrap-Up Party on Tues., August 27. Since adults’ work schedules vary, we’ll hold two sessions - one at 1 p.m. and one at 6 p.m. Come to which ever is more convenient for you. At this party, you can eat snacks, pick up your prize, and talk about what you read.

Reading Challenge:
There is an additional reading challenge that you can do to be entered to win an extra prize. To win, you must complete the challenge and return it by August 24 at 5 p.m.

Database Spotlight: Heritage Quest

Last month, we told you about our Ancestry database. That one only works in the library, though. If you’re at home, your best option for a wide range of genealogical records is Heritage Quest. It has many primary sources, including:

- Census Records - This now includes information from the US and Canada.
- City Directories - There are directories for all states except Alaska.
- Mortality Schedules - These predate recording vital statistics in most states.
- Family and Local History Books - These books provide family stories as well as facts and can give you rich insights into your ancestors’ lives.

Please note that with our new website layout, the databases have moved. Click the Research and Learn button at the top of the page for a full list. The exact look of the site is still shifting as we work to make it as easy to use as possible.
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So KICK OFF SUMMER by stopping at WTPL!

~ Patty Vahey

Last Month

Last month we commemorated Memorial Day and Mother’s Day, and we had a variety of programs for kids and adults alike. The main event, though, was our annual Indoor Yard Sale (right). Patrons could come shop for clothes, holiday decorations, dishes, jewelry, and more! If you missed it, don’t worry; you can catch it again next spring. In the meantime, you can look forward to our fall Book Sale on November 22 and 23, which always features a table of holiday items.

Book Nook

June is when school is over, the weather is a bit more reliable, and time to plan a summer vacation. The Dewey Decimal System has devoted a very small range for travel books: 914 is Europe; 915 is Asia; 916 is Africa; 917 is North America including Mexico; 918 is South America; 919 is Oceania (Pacific islands). There are many well-known travel guides, such as Fodor’s, Frommer’s, Eyewitness Travel, Rick Steves, Lonely Planet, and even AAA. All these guides cover popular tourist attractions, providing hours of operation and prices. Many guides also include restaurant and lodging suggestions.

Our collection also includes guidebooks to attractions and events that are “off the beaten path.” For example, Philadelphia has over 130 “museums” that include arboretums, a zoo, and a battleship. The majority of our travel collection is regional, focusing on places within a day’s drive (New Jersey, New York, Washington DC), but we do try to cover the basics for all the continents. This is a daunting task, so if we have overlooked an area or if the guides are out of date, please let us know. Otherwise, take a look in the 900s for some vacation ideas. Bon voyage!

~ Chris Andrews