As we approach spring, the season of new growth, we have a few new things at the library:

In addition to our monthly book talks, where we talk about anything that you’re currently reading, we’ll have another adult book club called On the Same Page where we all read the same thing. Kids, meanwhile, are starting a new round of Spring Story Times.

We have a new database called Niche Academy. This one offers tutorials that help you use some of our other databases.

We’re continuing to add more museum passes to our collection for you to check out. The most recent addition is for the National Museum of Industrial History.

Keep reading for information on all of these and more!

The Lincoln Four

Are you a history fan? Join us for a special presentation on Thursday, March 30 at 6:30 p.m. about the aftermath of Abraham Lincoln’s death.

Historical lecturer, tour guide, and re-enactor Mike Jesberger will walk us through the details of the investigation to apprehend the Lincoln conspirators. Mr. Jesberger is an independent military historian who specializes in the American Revolution and Civil War time periods. Registration is requested, and you can register online or at our front desk.

Memorial Donation

The estate of Stephanie A. Nemeth has left a sizable bequest to the Whitehall Township Public Library in honor of her parents, Pisti and Tess Nemeth. They were both active members of the Lehigh Valley community, especially in the areas of parks and recreation, and their family has been a long-time supporter of the library. We have a new a plaque in their honor, which is currently on our pamphlet filing cabinet.
Spring Story Times

Registration is required for our 2023 Spring Story Times, and we'll have three options available this year:

- **Tuesday Preschool Story Time** (ages 36 months – 5 years) runs on Tuesdays at 11:30 a.m. from February 28 through April 18.
- **Wednesday Preschool Story Time** (ages 36 months – 5 years) runs on Wednesdays at 1:30 p.m. from March 1 through April 19.
- **Toddler Story Time** (ages 12-36 months) will be Thursdays at 11:00 a.m. from March 2 – April 20.

Museum Pass Spotlight: National Museum of Industrial History

This museum pass is the newest addition to our museum pass collection! Check it out from the Whitehall Township Public Library! Current museum exhibits include "Robert Fulton Industrious Revolutionary" and other permanent exhibits. Go to the National Museum of Industrial History’s website (https://www.nmih.org/) for more information.

Museum passes are free to check out with your LCLC Library Card. This pass allows for up to two adults and four children.

You can check out museum passes from the library for one week with no renewals. They can only be checked out at the Whitehall Township Public Library and returned inside this library at the circulation desk. You may place a hold on a pass. Overdue fines are $10.00 a day.

On the Same Page

Join WTPL’s On the Same Page adult book club! This club meets every other month on the third Thursday at 6:30 p.m. (*Designates a change in schedule.*) This club is in addition to our general book talks, where we talk about whatever you’re reading now. Books will be loaned as availability allows. This club is for individuals 18+, and registration is required.

2023 Books

- **April 26* - The Personal Librarian** by Marie Benedict & Victoria Christopher Murray (April 23 - 29 is National Library Week)
- **June 15 - Under the Whispering Door** by TJ Klune (June is Pride Month)
- **August 17 - Black Cake** by Charmaine Wilkerson
- **October 19 - Home Before Dark** by Riley Sager
- **November 16* - Firekeeper’s Daughter** by Angeline Boulley (November is Native American Heritage Month)
Database Spotlight: Niche Academy Tutorials

Do you want to use the library databases but don’t know where to start? Our latest database, Niche Academy, can help. This database offers tutorials to help you use some of our databases and a few other sites.

If you go to the Research & Learn page of our website (www.whitehallpl.org), you can now find tutorial buttons under some of our databases. Click on one of these to get a site tutorial before you visit the database itself. You can also see our full database tutorial collection if you click the “Get Help With Databases” button on the right side of the page.

You can find Niche Academy listed with our other databases on this page, and if you go there, you can find beginner tutorials for our databases and for a few other websites.

Book Nook: National Women’s History Month

This year’s theme for National Women’s History Month is “Celebrating Women Who Tell Our Stories”. These stories can be found everywhere in the news, social media, books, conversations, blogs, podcasts, television, stages, movie screens, etc. These stories can be true or fiction, personal accounts, someone else’s experiences, current time periods, or something from the past. This is the month that American women are recognized for passing along stories from which we learn something of value, or are just entertained.

If you like nonfiction, just wander through our biography sections (adult and juvenile) or the Dewey 920s (collected biographies) and you will discover the famous, the infamous, and the unknown from every profession and every walk of life. Wives, mothers, daughters, sisters, nieces, cousins, friends, and lovers of the famous, infamous, and unknown, too. Why not start with bestsellers like The Light We Carry by Michelle Obama, I’m Glad My Mom Died by Jennette McCurdy, Finding Me by Viola Davis, Wild by Cheryl Strayed, Live Wire by Kelly Ripa, Educated by Tara Westover, or Untamed by Glennon Doyle? If you don’t have time for a book, here are some movies in our DVD collection you might like: Wild, Erin Brockovich, Julie and Julia, Hidden Figures, and Respect.

Our library has hundreds of books by hundreds of women authors, and many of their book series were adapted for television such as Rizzoli & Isles (Tess Gerritsen), Bones (Kathy Reichs), Cedar Cove (Debbie Macomber), Chesapeake Shores (Sherryl Woods), and Virgin River (Robyn Carr). Do something different on your next library visit and wander into the stacks, browse through authors, and find yourself a book written by a woman or written about a woman to read in March.

~ Chris Andrews

March 12 is Daylight Savings, so remember to spring ahead with your clocks that morning (going from 2:00 a.m. to 3:00 a.m.)

Women’s History Month Author Checklist

How many of these bestselling women authors have you read?

Agatha Christie
Jane Austen
Danielle Steele
Barbara Cartland
J.K. Rowling
Enid Blyton
Jackie Collins
Nora Roberts
Janet Dailey
Jan Berenstain
Rumiko Takahashi
Ann M. Martin
Anne Rice
Beatrix Potter
Astrid Lindgren
Debbie Macomber
Catherine Cookson
Stephanie Meyer
Judith Krantz
Eleanor Hibbert
Mary Higgins Clark
Patricia Cornwell
March Is...

Unscramble the words to find some things celebrated or remembered this month. (See answers below.)

1. ______-American Heritage Month: SHIIR
2. National ______ Month: YENKID
3. National ______ Month: GRADEIN
4. National _______ Month: INTROUNIT
5. _____’s History Month: MEWON
6. _______ _____ Awareness Month: ARCREBEL PLAYS

Oh, the Words You Will Find!

In honor of Dr. Seuss’s birthday on March 2, look for these Seuss-related words in the word search:

BARTHOLOMEW BUTTER BATTLE CAT IN THE HAT FOX IN SOCKS GREEN EGGS
GRINCH HORTON LORAX MARVIN K MOONEY MULBERRY STREET
ONE FISH SLEEP SNEETCHES STILTS THIDWICK
WOCKET YERTLE ZAX

Look for words in any direction!


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