

Kirkwood Public Library OUTLOOK



Library Presents World War II Series **Two programs are part of 10 Part Series**

In commemoration of the 70th Anniversary of the Pearl Harbor Attack, the library is sponsoring a series of programs on World War II. On Thursday, November 10th at 7 pm, the library kicks off the series with discussion on World War I and the years in between I and II. Staff members Pat Rohan and Perry Jaynes will lead a thought provoking discussion on Ada Hochschild's *To End All Wars: A Story of Loyalty and Rebellion*.

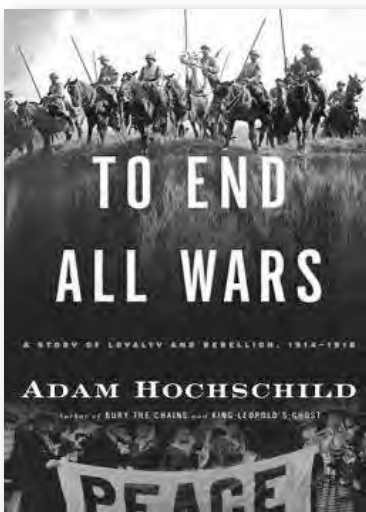
On Saturday, November 26th from 10 am to 3 pm, Kirkwood resident and avid collector Mike Lavin will display his amazing collection of World War II artifacts. Drop by the lower level meeting room for hands on experience involving the communication equipment of WWII. Lavin will be available to answer questions and explain each piece of equipment.

Saturday, Nov. 26th, 10am-3pm

Second program in WWII series; Visit with Mike Lavin and view artifacts of WWII: Communication Equipment.

WWII Series
ARTIFACTS OF WWII

YOUR KIRKWOOD PUBLIC LIBRARY
140 E. Jefferson, Kirkwood, MO 63122 314-821-5770 kirkwoodpubliclibrary.org



Be sure to check the library's online calendar on our web site kirkwoodpubliclibrary.org for a 2012 schedule of WWII programs! Questions? Call the library at 314-821-5770, ext. 1012.

BRRRRR It's Cold Outside!!!

Stay Warm and Cozy at Home

KPL's reference desk staff does more than answer your questions, guide you on a research topic, or put a title to a book you can't remember. They also conduct several outreach programs in the community.



Library Outreach

Book discussions are held every month at senior residential communities at Kirkwood House, Concordia House, Rose Hill House, and our newest participant, Adams Place Retirement Community. Our staff gathers copies of book club selections, delivers them to participating residents, and at a reserved date, facilitates discussion of the book. Some past discussion titles are *Loving Frank* by Nancy Horan, *Back When We Were Grownups* by Anne Tyler, *March* by Geraldine Brooks, *Major Pettigrew's Last Stand* by Helen Simonson, *Harry Truman's Excellent Adventure* by Matthew Algeo and *The Scent of Rain and Lightning* by Nancy Pickard.

Mary Culver Home for the Visually Impaired is also a part of our outreach programming. In tandem with their activities director, KPL reference staff facilitates the delivery of dvds, musical cds,

and other library materials that coincide with monthly programming for their residents. The ladies are very fond of Hollywood musicals, PBS Masterpiece Theater, and the music of Mel Torme and Perry Como.

KPL also has a homebound program that provides free home delivery of library materials to Kirkwood residents with restrictive limitations. Volunteers with the Friends of Kirkwood Public Library will deliver the library materials at a requested time and will pick them up and return them to the library.

The library was awarded a grant from the Missouri State Library in 2010 that advanced our outreach programming by allowing us to purchase sturdy canvas bags to carry materials to all of our outreach communities.



CINEMA KPL

We show a feature film every Tuesday @ 1:30 pm in our meeting room. Here is our winter flock of flicks.

The Civil War:

November 8- The Great Locomotive Chase A true Civil War story about the Andrews Raiders, Union spies, who snatched a train out from under Confederate troops in a daredevil attempt to wreck the track and bridges of the Western & Atlantic Railroad.

November 15- Pharaoh's Army Civil War 1862 Kentucky, based on an actual incident, a widowed Kentucky farmwife who must protect herself and her 11-year-old son when their small farm is commandeered by a Union captain and four Yankee soldiers, one of whom is seriously injured shortly after their arrival.

November 29- The Conspirator In the wake of Abraham Lincoln's assassination, seven men and one woman are arrested and charged with conspiring to kill the President, Vice President, and Secretary of State. As the nation turns against her, Mary Surratt is forced to rely on her attorney, Aiken, to uncover the truth and save her life.

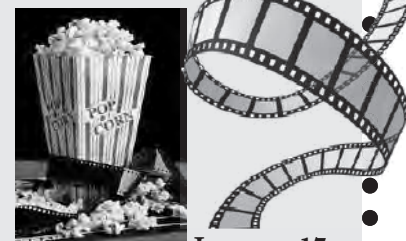
December Documentaries:
December 6- Waiting for Superman Filmmaker Davis Guggenheim follows a handful of promising kids through a system that inhibits, rather than encourages academic growth.

December 13- Mad, Hot Ballroom This inspiring

documentary follows 11 year olds from three schools in the toughest and most culturally diverse neighborhoods in NYC, required to take ten weeks of ballroom dancing.

January One Word from Hitchcock

January 10- Rebecca Based on the famous novel by Daphne Du Maurier, Rebecca, the beautiful, deceased wife of brooding, mysterious Max de Winter. His second wife finds her married life at the ancestral estate dominated by the continuing influence and pervasive presence of her predecessor - until she learns the truth about Rebecca's life and death.



January 17-

Rope Hitchcock's favorite film, and first color film and first film he ever produced. Loosely based on a true story, two rich young men murder a colleague for the sake of murder and then coolly throw a party around the hidden corpse.

January 24- Marnie An amateur psychologist is obsessed with a beautiful kleptomaniac who's haunted by strange dreams and the color red.

January 31- Vertigo A retired police detective must overcome vertigo and his obsession for a friend's wife in this eerie tale of passion.

From the Stacks

Want to curl up by the fire with a good, warm book? Check out what staff at the library have recently read.

Jason Todd, Stack Maintenance *Roverandom* by JRR Tolkien

"This is an imaginative story about a dog who gets turned into a toy dog by a wizard. What's not to love? A great book to read in the woods in autumn. Take it to your favorite park and be lazy with it. If you are into short books and tall tales, this book is for you. Next on my reading list is poetry, specifically 17th century English verse."



Matt Purcell, IT Assistant *The Hobbit* by JRR Tolkien

"I like to revisit this book once a year ever since being introduced to it by both my father and grandfather when I was a boy. The tale revolves around a young hobbit named Bilbo Baggins who, being content in his comfortable yet rustic life, is thrust into an adventure of the highest order. Through his adventures, Bilbo discovers his own inner-strength as well as the value of loyalty and friendship. When the quest has ended and he gets a chance to relax at home it seems the story has ended all for the good. But has it?"



Elizabeth Curtis, Circulation Two Books in the Seeds of America Series: *Chains* and *Forge* by Laurie Halse Anderson

"These are terrific historical fiction books written for a middle school/high school reader. *Chains* follows the life of Isabel, a teen slave in New York City during the Revolutionary War. *Forge* follows Isabel's friend Curzon, a freed slave who fights with the patriots and spends the brutal winter at Valley Forge. I can't wait to read the third book in the series, *Ashes*, when it comes out."



Jessica Malody, Teen Services and Stack Maintenance *Fit From Within* by Victoria Moran

"A wonderful collection of thoughts from Ms. Moran about how to live a fit and healthy life. She addresses not only physical but emotional, mental and spiritual well being. It is geared towards weight loss, but I enjoyed it because it gives good insight into leading a balanced and fulfilling life in general. Pick this book up first thing in the morning to start your day on a positive note. Next up is *The Hunger Games*."



Nick Chiapelas, Stack Maintenance *In the Garden of Beasts* by Erik Larson

"Good luck putting this book down! Do not sit down in a comfy chair until you have plenty of time to absorb it. It is about Berlin during the first part of Hitler's reign, told through the stories of U.S. Ambassador William Dodd and his free-spirited daughter Martha. Casting call for the movie would feature Tom Wilkinson as William and Kate Winslet as Martha."



Emily Koballa, Stack Maintenance *The Black Prism* by Brent Weeks

"Black Prism is full of adventure and action. I love fantasy and action and this book does not disappoint. One of my favorite features is the relationship between the characters ties everything together. This book can be read anywhere – once you start you are sucked into the story as if you were there. Next up for me is *Inheritance* by Christopher Paolini."



BOOK DISCUSSIONS

Book discussions listed below meet in the library's meeting room and are open to adults of all ages. All books are available for check-out at the library. To sign up for free, call the library at 821-5770 ext. 1012.

SATURDAY MORNING "PERKS"

meets at 10 am

Nov. 12*Half Broke Horses:*
a true life novel by Jeannette Walls

Dec. 10*Holiday books of*
individual choice.

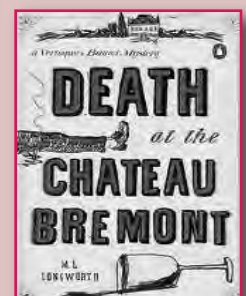


MYSTERY READERS BOOK CLUB

meets at 2 pm

Wednesday, Nov. 16*The Vault*
by Ruth Rendell

Wednesday, Dec. 21*Death at the Chateau Bremont*
by M.L. Longworth



Computer Classes

Computer classes are continuing and we're excited to offer evening classes as well. Sign up for either Thursday morning (10 am to Noon) or Tuesday evening (6 pm to 8 pm) classes, call 821-5770 ext. 1012 or stop by the Reference Desk. Space is limited! All classes are free, however due to high demand if you sign-up and do not call to cancel, a \$2 charge will be placed on your library account. Classes will be taught in the library's main level training room.

Class Dates	Title
1/5 or 1/10	Intro to Computers
1/12 or 1/17	Intro to E-Mail
1/19 or 1/24	Internet Safety
1/26 or 1/31	How to download eBooks & audiobooks
2/2 or 2/7	MS Word I
2/9 or 2/14	MS Word II
2/16 or 2/21	MS Word III
2/23 or 2/28	How to download eBooks & audiobooks

Class Dates	Title
3/1 or 3/6	MS Excel I
3/8 or 3/13	MS Excel II
3/15 or 3/20	MS Excel III
3/22 or 3/27	How to download eBooks & audiobooks
3/29 or 4/3	MS PowerPoint I
4/5 or 4/10	MS PowerPoint II
4/12 or 4/17	MS PowerPoint III
4/19 or 4/24	How to download eBooks & audiobooks

We're also excited to offer Drop in Computer Help on Tuesdays, 10 am to Noon **AND** Thursday evenings 6 to 8 pm. No sign-up required. Bring your projects and your questions.

Check Out the New Library Displays

Get a sneak preview of the library displays we're planning in the coming months.

HOLIDAY SEASON IS UPON US!

Holiday-Themed Mysteries,
Fiction and Romance
Holiday Hot DVDs
Holiday Cooking, Baking and Crafts

ALWAYS ON DISPLAY

Hot Reads
Large Print
Staff Picks
New Fiction
New Nonfiction
Movie Tie-Ins
Award Winning Films

NOVEMBER

Adult:

Celebrate Mark Twain
Remembering John F. Kennedy

Veteran's Day
Thanksgiving, A History

Children:

I Wonder Why: Books on Science
and Nature
Once Upon a Time: Fairy Tales

DECEMBER

Adult:

Nobel Peace Prize Winners
Remembering Pearl Harbor
The Works of Emily Dickinson
Happy Birthday, Walter Elias Disney!

Children:

The Deep Blue Sea: Books on
Marine Life
Music to my Ears: Children's Music

JANUARY

Adult:

New Year's Resolutions:
Get Fit
Financial Fitness
Home Improvement
Self Improvement
Soups & Stews
Super Bowl
Remembering Dr. Martin
Luther King, Jr
Sherlock Holmes
Elvis Presley

Children:

Good Night, Sleep Tight:
Bedtime Stories
Back in Time: Historical Fiction
for Children



Second Annual *Holiday Kick Off Event*

Start your holiday celebrations with the Friends in beautiful Kirkwood Public Library. On Sunday,



November 20, from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. join the Friends at a special holiday event. You'll enjoy tasty hors d'oeuvres, desserts, wine, and beer and will have an opportunity to purchase the newest items in

Books & Beyond, the Friends Gift Shop. Holiday discounts on special gift items and our gently used books will be available to guests that evening only. Browse and shop to your heart's content all evening long. We'll hold your packages for you while you enjoy the camaraderie. We'll also have a Giving Tree so you can give a special gift exclusively to the library. Literary mingling, wonderful music, KPL Teens entertainment, and holiday cheer . . . all the while raising funds for KPL. What a wonderful way to start the holidays!

Purchase tickets at Books & Beyond or fill out the form below and mail it with your check so that we receive it by November 17. See you on the 20th!

The best kept secret in Kirkwood!

A charming gift shop in
Kirkwood Public Library

BOOKS & BEYOND

The Friends Gift Shop

Come start your holiday shopping early

Unique hostess gifts

Lovely items from the Friends Craft Group
Christmas ornaments to please the young
and not-so-young

Terrific previously-read books
Stocking stuffers

The perfect gift for everyone on your list



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YOU ARE INVITED TO JOIN US

Sunday, November 20, 6:00 until 9:00 pm at Kirkwood Public Library

THE FRIENDS' SECOND ANNUAL

Holiday Kick Off Event

Start your holidays off right with good "Friends"

Come enjoy hors d'oeuvres, beverages, and surprise holiday entertainment.
Shop for holiday gifts and receive special discounts available for this event only on items offered by Books & Beyond.
Give a gift to KPL from the Giving Tree.

Reservations required by November 17.

Complete the form below and make your check payable to **Friends of the Kirkwood Public Library.**

Mail the form and your check to us at **140 East Jefferson Avenue, Kirkwood, MO 63122**

I would like to make reservations for _____ members at \$25.00 each (maximum two reservations per membership)
and _____ non-members at \$30.00 each

Name(s) _____

Address _____
Street address City State Zip

Email address _____

Telephone _____ Total amount enclosed: _____

To receive the special members-only rate for this event, I'd like to join the Friends at the \$25 level, \$50 level, \$100 level, \$250 level, or \$500 level (please circle one).
I've included the membership fee in my enclosed check.

Letter from Santa

Santa needs help with his correspondence this year, so members of the Friends of the Kirkwood Public Library are coming to his rescue. We'll be happy to send a Letter from Santa to all the children in your life — no matter how young or old! Just give us a little information about each, and that person will receive a personalized letter from the jolly old elf himself.

For each letter, please complete a copy of the form below and send a check in the amount of \$6.00 payable to Friends of KPL, Attn: Santa Letter, 140 East Jefferson, Kirkwood, MO 63122-4026. Deadlines:

For requests received by **December 7**, every effort will be made to have the letter postmarked at the North Pole. Requests received from **December 8 through December 17** will be postmarked locally. All requests must be received by **December 17**.

Please feel free to copy this sheet as much as you like to share this wonderful program with friends and neighbors. Remember, the letter is being mailed, so no matter where that special person is — or where you are — Santa's letter will get there!

Please complete this form and return it with a \$6.00 donation to: Friends of KPL, Attn: Santa Letter, 140 East Jefferson, Kirkwood, MO 63122-4026.

Child's first name: _____ Last name: _____

Boy or girl? _____ Age: _____

Child's address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

A special accomplishment of this child: _____

One thing this child needs to work on (for example, saying 'please' and 'thank you'): _____

Santa will get updates from: Mom _____ or Dad _____ or Grandma (name) _____ OR

Grandpa (name) _____ or Teacher (name) _____

Names of siblings, family members, or pets who live with this child: _____
(please identify each person or pet)

(Please complete a separate form for each letter.)

This letter has been requested by:

(We will not share any of this information)

Your name: _____ Phone number: _____

Your address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Your email address: _____

Thank you for supporting Friends of the Kirkwood Public Library

Coming Soon to Kirkwood Public Library

Mark your calendars for some exciting events on the horizon!

Sneak Preview

**Monday, November 14,
6:30-8:30 pm**

Preschool Fair for parents of preschoolers. Area preschools will be on hand with information about their programs.

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**Thursday, November 17,
7 pm**

Shoe Me our State of Missouri Series. A discussion of Mark Twain and his short story: *A Murder, a Mystery and a Marriage*.

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Saturday, November 19, 2 pm

Teen Event: Dungeon and Dragons. Come and play the most popular role-playing game in the world. Newcomers are encouraged to join us.

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**Wednesday, November 30,
7 pm**

The American Civil War Series. A discussion of the Battle of Wilson's Creek led by Greg Wolk, author of *A Tour Guide to Missouri's Civil War*.

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Friday, December 16, 5:15 pm

Teen Event: Mini Golf. Help us turn KPL into a mini golf course. Teens will partner up to design one hole of the course then go around and play the entire course. Advance sign up required.

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Thursday, December 29, 7 pm
Family Bingo Night, all ages.

Out in the Street

Q: Hard copy or e-books? How do you read?



"I personally like reading hard-bound books. I find the computer screen distracting. I

like the portability of a hard-bound book. You can read it anywhere."

-Cole Whiting,
Kirkwood High School student



"Hard copy. I like the texture. I like holding a book in my hands. I like knowing the batteries aren't going to wear out."

-Christina Paden,
Kirkwood resident



"Hard copy. I love the feel of old hardbacks and the

freedom to scribble thoughts in cheap paperbacks. For Christmas, the first year we were married, my wife bought me a complete works of Charles Dickens published in the early 1900s. For me, there was no gift more perfect."

-Owen Skoler, Editor of
kirkwoodpatch.com &
Kirkwood resident.



"I haven't gotten into e-books yet. I like holding a book in my hands and turning the pages. For now, I am a hard copy reader."

-Tom Brennan, Kirkwood resident

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Monday – Thursday: 9am – 9pm

Friday & Saturday: 9am – 5pm

Sunday: 1pm – 5pm

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kirkwoodpubliclibrary.org/newsletters.asp

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