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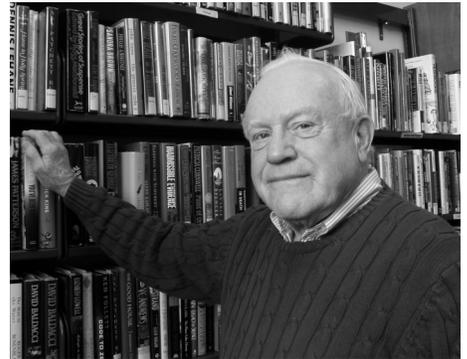
THE NEWSLETTER OF THE  
WILLIAMSBURG REGIONAL LIBRARY

12-13

DECEMBER

## CHANGING THE GUARD!

Friends of Williamsburg Regional Library welcomes our newly elected Board Members, and says farewell to those hearty folks whose terms of office have run their course. A sincere thanks to the following officers who have lead Friends through many successful years: President, Dr. Ted Hiller; Secretary, Max Burry; JCCL Book Nook Co-Chair, Evelyn Lee, and Board Members Joseph Rountree and Ray Wolf. These dedicated supporters have contributed countless hours and have served in a wide spectrum of leadership roles for Friends. We are grateful for all the energy and expertise they have contributed to the Mission of Friends and to the Williamsburg Regional Library. We are fortunate that our retiring officers and Board Members will serve on Friends Advisory Committee so that we can continue to benefit from the collective wisdom they have accumulated over their years of outstanding service. Congratulations on a job well done!



*Ted Hiller*

Newly elected Board Officers and Committee Chairs are President, Dr. Sandra Stephan; Vice-President, Joan Costello; Treasurer, Mike Caplice; Membership Chair, Jim Bowers; Publicity Chair, Marie Haynes; Book Sale Chair, Pat Walsh. Our new Board Members are Marie Haynes; Dr. Carl Lounsbury; Marilyn Riddle; Matthew Webster; Michael Westfall; and At Large Member, Ethell Hill. Many of these folks are returning for second terms. We applaud their commitment to Friends and wish them much success. They have big shoes to fill!

Recently the Williamsburg Regional Library was designated a "Four-Star Library" by the *Library Journal*. This is a significant honor. We share this prestigious award with only two other Virginia libraries. A major consideration in determining the recipients is the community support provided by the local Friends. Our very active Friends organization contributes around \$130,000 annually to support programs, build collections, and underwrite educational opportunities for our exceptional library. Funding for Friends comes from your Friends membership dues, daily sales at the Book Nooks, and the Annual Friends Book Sale.

If you would like to become a part of this winning team, you can join by filling out and submitting the membership form found on the back of this newsletter.

## SUPPORTING THE LIBRARY

Webster's New Collegiate Dictionary defines a simile as "a figure of speech comparing two unlike things that is often introduced by *like* or *as*." Examples include, "as smooth as silk," "like a rose," and "soar like an eagle." Similes are used for describing people, events, actions, etc. Often they appear in advertisements, articles, and novels.

These phrases can be helpful when thinking about the library as well. With respect to supporting our community, the Williamsburg Regional Library tries to be as solid as a rock. Staff have done their best when library users consider them as quick as lightning and wise as an owl. After a century of service, we like to believe the library is as sure as death and taxes.

From the user side, discovering someone already has checked out the book you wanted to read can sometimes make you sour as vinegar. However, staff can put you on hold for items as easy as apple pie and A B C. We hope visiting the library makes you feel as free as a bird, as good as gold, and as proud as a peacock.

Staff at the Williamsburg Regional Library sometimes will work like dogs to find you answers that hopefully are clear as crystal. This is how the library supports the community. We hope this is plain as day and, in turn, helps to make your support of the library as simple as simile. Thank you for your support.



# DECEMBER 2013 PROGRAMS AT THE LIBRARY

12/04 - **Drop-In Job Help**  
5:00 - 7:00 p.m. - WL Reference desk

12/04 - **Constitutional Conversations**  
6:30 p.m. - WL Theatre

Constitutional Conversations, the award-winning eight month long examination of our nation's founding document begins breakout sessions each themed for adults and for students. The program is free and open to all. The Institute of Bill of Rights Law at the William and Mary School of Law organize this series of conversations, now in its fourth year.

*Topic for adults:* Fourteenth Amendment and Discrimination: Is weight discrimination the new issue?

*Topic for students:* 'Equality': A Constitutional Basis

12/05 - **Thursday Films - Moonstruck**  
2:00 p.m. - WL Theatre (rated PG, 1987)

In this charming romantic comedy, Cher plays a level-headed widow whose upcoming marriage to an older man is jeopardized when she unexpectedly falls for her intended's ardent younger brother (Nicholas Cage). Olympia Dukakis, Danny Aiello, and Vincent Gardenia co-star as Cher's rambunctious Italian-American family.

12/07 - **Ford's Colony Model Railroad Show**  
10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. - JCCL

New gauges and layouts add to the excitement and energy of this annual event. Be sure to visit the Norge Depot while you're there!

12/10 - **Peninsula Concert Band**  
7:30 p.m. - WL Theatre

A free concert of holiday music and popular favorites presented by this ensemble of more than 40 musicians. The Peninsula Concert Band has been performing in the Tidewater area for more than 60 years. It is made up of members of local military bands as well as civilian musicians. Free. Advance tickets will not be distributed for this concert. A free-will donation will be accepted to benefit the band. Doors will open at 7:15 p.m.

12/11 - **Drop-In Job Help**  
5:00 - 7:00 p.m. - WL Reference desk

12/11 - **Celtic Film Series - A Shine of Rainbows**  
7:00 p.m. - WL Theatre (rated PG, 2009)

A lonely orphan's life is transformed by an extraordinary woman who teaches him to conquer grief and discover the magic in nature and himself. A film the entire family will enjoy. *The library presents the Celtic Film Series in cooperation with the Ancient Order of Hibernians.*

12/12 - **Thursday Films - Little Women**  
2:00 p.m. - WL Theatre (1933)

Katharine Hepburn stars in this sentimental family drama based on the classic novel by Louisa May Alcott about the travails of the March sisters in Civil War era New England. Joan Bennett, Spring Byington, Jean Parker, Paul Lukas, and Edna Mae Oliver co-star under the direction of George Cukor.

12/12 - **The LCV Project - Holiday Acoustic Guitar Music**  
7:30 p.m. - WL Theatre

Need a break from the world? Take time to enjoy the gentle and relaxing sounds of instrumental acoustic guitar in concert. Join Louis C. Vangieri - The LCV Project - for a delightful concert experience. He performs a blend of instrumental folk, country, swing, pop, traditional, soft jazz, bluegrass, classical, nostalgia, and well-written original works. This concert is free of charge and tickets are not needed. Doors open at 7:15 p.m.

12/17 - **Sci-Fi and Fantasy Book Group Meeting**  
7:00 p.m. - JCCL

This month: **The 10th Annual Holiday Party & Reindeer Games To R.S.V.P.** e-mail: [rtred@cox.net](mailto:rtred@cox.net)

12/18 - **Drop-In Job Help**  
5:00 - 7:00 p.m. - WL Reference desk

12/19 - **Thursday Films - Miracle on 34th Street**  
2:00 p.m. - WL Theatre (1947)

A man claiming to be the real Santa Claus (Edmund Gwenn) disrupts the lives of a no-nonsense woman (Maureen O'Hara) and her eight year old daughter (Natalie Wood) in this endearing Christmas classic. Winner of 3 Academy Awards, the film co-stars John Payne, Gene Lockhart, and William Frawley.

12/19 - **James River Pops**  
7:30 p.m. - WL Theatre

The James River Pops, a 14-member ensemble, presents a free concert of popular favorites and holiday tunes. No tickets needed. A free-will collection to support the band will be taken. Doors open at 7:15 p.m.

12/26 - **Thursday Films - Fiddler on the Roof**  
2:00 p.m. - WL Theatre (1971)

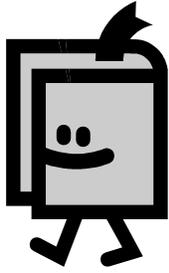
In this popular musical drama, a conservative Jewish milkman (Topol) in Tsarist Russia must contend with his daughter's unconventional love lives amid a changing world. Based on the stage play by Joseph Stein and directed by Norman Jewison, this movie was nominated for 8 Academy Awards. The musical score was composed by John Williams and includes such songs as, "If I Were a Rich Man," and, "Sunrise, Sunset."

## DECEMBER COMPUTER CLASSES

**\*Classes have limited space, and pre-registration is required. Call (757) 259-4050 to register.**

- 12/03 - **Basic Computers 1\*** - 10:00 - 11:00 a.m. - WL Room B
- 12/04 - **Basic Computers 2\*** - 10:00 - 11:00 a.m. - WL Room B
- 12/04 - **iPad for Newbies\*** - 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. - JCCL Kitzinger Room
- 12/04 - **Facebook\*** - 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. - WL Room B
- 12/05 - **Basic Computers 3\*** - 10:00 - 11:00 a.m. - WL Room B
- 12/07 - **Adv. Internet\*** - 10:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. - JCCL e-CLIC Room
- 12/10 - **iPad for Newbies\*** - 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. - JCCL Kitzinger
- 12/10 - **Basic Excel\*** - 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. - JCCL e-CLIC
- 12/11 - **iPad Q&A\*** - 2:00 - 4:00 a.m. - WL Schell Room
- 12/13 - **Basic Powerpoint\*** - 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. - JCCL e-CLIC
- 12/12 - **Basic Word\*** - 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. - JCCL e-CLIC Room
- 12/13 - **Hints for Job Seekers\*** - 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. - WL Room B
- 12/16 - **Basic Internet\*** - 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. - JCCL e-CLIC Room
- 12/17 - **Basic Powerpoint\*** - 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. - WL Room B
- 12/18 - **Basic Computers 1\*** - 3:00 - 4:00 p.m. - JCCL e-CLIC Room
- 12/19 - **Basic Computers 2\*** - 3:00 - 4:00 p.m. - JCCL e-CLIC Room
- 12/19 - **Basic Word\*** - 4:00 - 6:00 p.m. - WL Room B
- 12/19 - **Basic Excel Class\*** - 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. - WL Room B
- 12/20 - **Basic Computers 3\*** - 3:00 - 4:00 p.m. - JCCL e-CLIC Room

***On view in the Williamsburg Library Gallery this month:***  
Photos by David Scherer (*through January*)

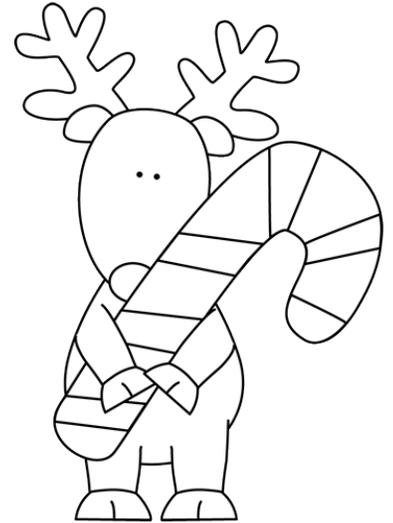


# KIDS & TEENS

Call Youth Services for additional information:  
JCCL = James City County Library - 259-7733  
WL = Williamsburg Library - 259-4055

## CHRISTMAS PUPPET SHOW & CRAFT

Get in the mood for the holiday with a Christmas puppet show and reindeer craft. We'll do a puppet show adaptation of Laura Rader's *Who'll Pull Santa's Sleigh Tonight?* and make candy cane reindeer. Recommended for ages 4 and up. Join in the fun at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, December 17 at the James City County Library.



## WORKSHOP FOR TEACHERS

Author/Illustrator Peter Catalanotto will present a workshop for teachers on how to encourage writing among students in elementary school. The program is on Wednesday, December 4 at 4:30 p.m. in the Williamsburg Library Theatre. Mr. Catalanotto will be sharing ideas from the class he taught at Columbia University last summer.

### **December Art Exhibit:**

WL - Providence Classical School

12/04 - **Workshop for Teachers**  
4:30 p.m. - WL Theatre

(See above for more information.)

12/05 - **Theater Workshop:  
Audition**  
6:00 - 7:00 p.m. - WL

Learn tips and tricks for auditioning. Sign up by calling 259-4050. For ages 13-18.

12/07 - **Henna Program**  
1:00 p.m. - WL

Come learn about the art of henna and get your own henna tattoo. Sign up by calling 259-4050. For ages 13-18.

12/08 - **Family Holiday Storytime**  
2:00 p.m. - WL

Join us for a festive afternoon of holiday stories presented by the Student Virginia Educators Association from the College of William & Mary.

12/12 - **Anime Club**  
5:00 - 6:00 p.m. - WL

Come join us for our monthly meeting. For ages 13-18.

12/14 - **Open Lego Play (ages 5+)**  
2:00 - 4:00 p.m. - WL

12/15 - **Paws to Read**  
2:30 p.m. - WL

12/17 - **Christmas Puppet Show**  
6:00 p.m. - JCCL (See above.)

12/18 - **Teen Advisory  
Group Meeting**  
5:00 - 6:00 p.m. - WL

Share your thoughts and ideas on library services for teens while gaining a volunteer hour. For ages 13-18.

12/21 - **Code Academy**  
1:00 - 2:00 p.m. - JCCL

Learn to code using the Code Academy website. For ages 13-18.

12/21 - **Open Lego Play (ages 5+)**  
2:00 - 4:00 p.m. - JCCL

12/22 - **Family Holiday Crafting**  
1:00 p.m. - WL

Bring your family and friends! A variety of crafts for different ages will be available.

12/23 - **Open Lego Play**  
2:00 - 4:00 p.m. - WL

(Takes place instead of today's School Age storytime.)

12/30 - **Open Lego Play**  
2:00 - 4:00 p.m. - JCCL

### **Coming in January - Save the Date:**

01/09 - **Author Visit - Kiera Cass**

Author Kiera Cass will visit WRL in 2014. Her books include *The Sirens*, *The Selection*, *The Elite*, and *The One*, which is coming this spring.

## **STORYTIMES**

*Storytimes at WRL are planned by trained professionals to promote emergent literacy and a love of books with young children and to share ideas for using books, music, movement, and activities with parents and early childhood educators. Holiday stories may be featured throughout the month.*

### **MONDAYS**

**Toddler Time (ages 2-4)**  
10:30 a.m. WL

**School Age Storytime**  
2:15 p.m. WL

### **TUESDAYS**

**Toddler Time (ages 2-4)**  
10:30 a.m. JCCL

### **WEDNESDAYS**

**Baby Time (birth-2)**  
10:30 a.m. JCCL

### **THURSDAYS**

**Baby Time (birth-2)**  
10:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. WL

**School Age Storytime**  
2:15 p.m. WL

*Want to know what activities are coming up for teens at WRL? Go to: [twitter.com/WRLteens](https://twitter.com/WRLteens) to receive tweets or send an e-mail to [jgarner@wrl.org](mailto:jgarner@wrl.org) to receive e-mail alerts.*



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## LIBRARY HOURS: \*

*The Williamsburg & James City County Libraries*

Mon - Thurs: 10:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.  
Friday: 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.  
Saturday: 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.  
Sunday: 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

\**Libraries CLOSED December 24 & 25, and January 1, 2014*

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## GAB BAGS - ESPECIALLY FOR BOOK GROUPS

Williamsburg Regional Library has collected multiple copies of many titles for use by reading groups. The books are packaged in a tote bag, and can be checked out for up to eight weeks. Many of the titles have questions and supplementary material to stimulate thoughtful discussion. Bags are available at both the Scotland Street and Croaker Road locations. You may place a hold on the title you want and pick it up at the most convenient location. Book groups can now reserve their selected titles up to one year in advance using our KitKeeper tool.

Visit: [www.wrl.org/gabbags](http://www.wrl.org/gabbags) to view Gab Bag titles.



**WRL  
info**

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