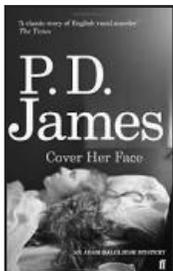


Speaking of Books at the Main Library

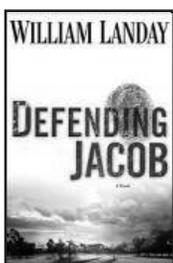
Come talk about books with the Library's book discussion group. Readers enjoy a lively discussion, sharing thoughts and opinions about a selected title. **Speaking of Books** meets on the third Wednesday of each month at 1:00 pm in the Community Meeting room. No registration is necessary and light refreshments are served. Call the Reference Desk at 455-6310 for further information. This winter's titles are [summaries from Amazon.com.]:



Cover Her Face by P.D. James

December 19

Sally Jupp was a sly and sensuous young woman who used her body and her brains to make her way up the social ladder. Now she lies across her bed with dark bruises from a strangler's fingers forever marring her lily-white throat. Someone has decided that the wages of sin should be death...And it is up to Chief Inspector Adam Dalgliesh to find out who that someone is.

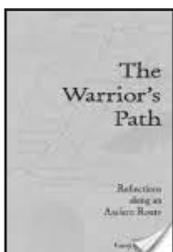


Defending Jacob: A Novel by William Landay

January 16

An assistant district attorney in his suburban Massachusetts county for more than 20 years, Andy Barber is respected in his community, tenacious in the courtroom, and happy at home with his wife and their 14-year-old son, Jacob. But Andy is blindsided when Jacob is charged with the murder of a fellow student and rallies to protect his boy.

As damning facts and shocking revelations surface, as a marriage threatens to crumble and the trial intensifies, Andy will face a trial of his own – between loyalty and justice, between truth and allegation, between a past he's tried to bury and a future he cannot conceive.



The Warrior's Path:

Reflections along an Ancient Route by Casey Clabough

February 20

The Warrior's Path, as it was known by the Iroquois, was formed centuries ago by animals and humans migrating from New York State down the Appalachian Valley system to the Cherokee country of Tennessee and North Georgia. Clabough hiked more than 500 miles of the route from Maryland to Tennessee, connecting the Path's nature, history, and culture to the story of his own colonial German ancestors who traversed that particular section en route to the Smoky Mountains at the close of the 1700s.

The Warrior's Path is both the story of Clabough's journey and a philosophical meditation upon the extraordinary people and events that have populated the thoroughfare over the course of several centuries. Dr. Clabough, associate professor of English at Lynchburg College, will join us for this discussion.

Tech Talk: eBooks and eReaders!

Tuesday, February 5, 2:00 – 4:00 pm

Wonder what eBooks are and how to use them? Need help navigating your iPad or other eBook device? Our library staff will answer your mobile technology questions in the Community Meeting room. No prior registration is necessary. For more information, call 455-6310 or visit www.lynchburgva.gov/publiclibrary.

Freeding

Do you love borrowing eBooks, but hate waiting for popular titles? Freeding is a free service which is changing that problem. Instead of checking out books based on a first come--first serve model, Freeding gives borrowers tokens and then "charges" different rates for different titles, based on how recently they were published. Newer eBooks will "cost" more than older ones. Freeding eBooks have limitless copies, so there's no more waiting for an eBook to be returned. Tokens are handed out weekly and roll over each week for four weeks. Access Freeding, a service of the Library of Virginia, from the library's website.





ProTech Your Data

“How-to” classes about ensuring that data stored on your computer is protected and secure will be taught by Jonathan

Harris, owner of Protech Computer Innovations. Harris holds an AAS in Electronics Technology and has eight years experience in both system administration and computer repair/troubleshooting. Participants are welcome to bring their own laptops. Both classes will be held in the Community Meeting room and are free and open to the public. Call 455-6318 to register.

Protech Your Data, Part I

Friday, January 11, 11:00 am – 12:00 pm

Learn how to perform data backups and to use affordable or free programs to keep your personal information secure.

Protech Your Data, Part II

Tuesday, February 12, 3:00 pm – 4:00 pm

Learn how to backup and protect your business and professional information.

Inclement Weather Reminder

Is the weather bad enough to close the schools? Don't worry about late fines for your library books. When Lynchburg City

Schools are closed due to the weather, the library does not charge fines. Also, although the library makes every attempt to maintain regular hours, weather conditions may warrant opening later or closing earlier. Any time it is necessary to alter library hours, fines are also waived for that day. Please call 455-6300 or 455-3820 for information concerning library hours.

Holiday Film

Monday, December 17, 3:00 pm



Join us for a screening of the 1954 holiday classic *White Christmas*. Bing Crosby and Danny Kaye star as two war buddies turned song-and-dance team off to visit their former general at a Vermont lodge. Rosemary Clooney and Vera Ellen co-star.



Open Mike

Saturday, February 9, 3:00 pm

Join the Poetry Society of Virginia for an Open Mike in the Community Room. Participants can speak/read anything they like for five minutes. Enjoy the works of local Lynchburg authors and poets, learn about the Poetry Society's contests and memberships, and submit your favorite poem for possible inclusion in Virginia Poet Laureate Sofia Starnes's *The Nearest Poem Anthology*.

