

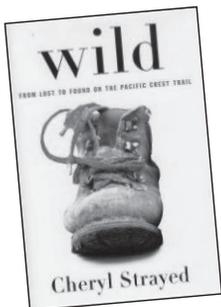
Newsletter

“Speaking of Books” Discussion Group Third Wednesday of each month, 1:00 pm

Come “talk books” with the Library’s Book Club! Readers enjoy a lively discussion sharing their thoughts and opinions about a selected title on the third Wednesday of each month. No registration is necessary and light refreshments are served. Call 455-6310 or 455-3820 for more information.

[Summaries below adapted from Amazon and Booklist.]

September 18: *Wild: From Lost to Found on the Pacific Coast Trail* by Cheryl Strayed

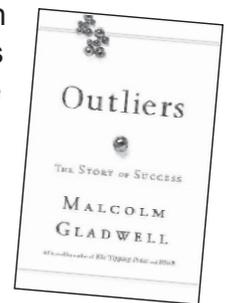


Cheryl Strayed thought she had lost everything in the wake of her mother’s death and the end of her own marriage. So she impulsively decided to hike more than a thousand miles of the Pacific Crest Trail from the Mojave Desert through California and Oregon to Washington – alone and unprepared, with no prior experience or training. She relied on the kindness and assistance of those she met along the way, clinging to the books she lugged along (Faulkner, Flannery O’Connor, Adrienne Rich). Told with suspense and humor, *Wild* powerfully captures the terrors and pleasures of one young woman forging ahead against all odds on a journey that maddened, strengthened, and ultimately healed her.

October 16: *Outliers: The Story of Success* by Malcolm Gladwell

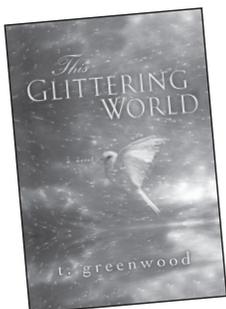
Gladwell, author and journalist, seeks to understand success using “outliers” – people with skills, talent, and drive who do things out of the ordinary. What makes these high-achievers different? He finds that the difference is not what these successful people are like but where they are from: their culture, their family, the idiosyncratic experiences of their upbringing, and the community values they inherit.

He examines the secrets of software billionaires, what it takes to be a great soccer player, why Asians are good at math, and what made the Beatles the greatest rock band. He finds that success ultimately is not exceptional or unattainable, nor does it depend upon innate ability. Success is a gift and, when opportunities are presented, some people have the strength, presence of mind, and persistence to seize them.



Provocative and inspiring, *Outliers* is a remarkable work that both entertains and illuminates.

November 20: *This Glittering World* by T. Greenwood



One November morning, Ben Bailey walks out of his Flagstaff, Arizona home to retrieve the paper. He finds Ricky Begay, a young Navajo man, beaten and dying in the newly fallen snow. Unable to forget the incident, especially once he meets Ricky’s sister, Shadi, Ben begins to question everything, from his job as a history professor to his relationship with his fiancée, Sara. Ben decides to discover the truth about Ricky’s death, in hopes of filling in the cracks in his own life. The answers leave him torn between love and responsibility, between the life that’s being planned for him and the more adventurous one that he thinks he wants.



Free Computer Classes

Improve your technology skills with free computer classes at the Main Library this fall. The classes cover basic computer and Internet skills and last about an hour and fifteen minutes.

Class size is

limited to 11 and registration is required. Pick up a detailed schedule at either Library or visit www.lynchburgva.gov/library and click on "Events." More questions or want to register? Call 455-6310 or 455-3820.



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Mon., Wed., Fri., Sat.
9:30 am-5:30 pm
Tues., Thurs.
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Circulation, Renewals,
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455-6336

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Youth Services
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Technical Services
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Lynchburg, VA 24504
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Mon. - Fri.
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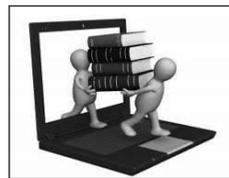
BOTH LIBRARIES CLOSED

Thursday & Friday
November 28 & 29
Thanksgiving

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<http://lynchburgpubliclibrary.wordpress.com>

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Tech Talk: eBooks and eReaders

Tuesday, November 19, 2:00 – 4:00 pm

Want to know what eBooks are and how to use them? Need some help navigating your iPad or android phone? Come get help from our Library staff at Tech Talk. For more information, call 455-6310 or visit www.lynchburgva.gov/library.

"Cybersecurity: Protech Your Computer" Classes

**Cybersecurity: Protech Yourself,
Tuesday, October 8, 3:00 – 4:00 pm**

**Cybersecurity: Protech Your Data,
Tuesday, November 12, 3:00 – 4:00 pm**

Jonathan Harris, owner of Protech Computer Innovations, LLC, will host two free "how-to" computer classes on cybersecurity practices. "Protech Yourself" will focus on protecting personal information online. "Protech Your Data" will demonstrate free and affordable ways to back up data and keep it secure on personal computers. Harris holds an AAS in Electronics Technology and has 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. Please call 455-6310 for further information.



Free Computer Help Mondays, 2:00 – 4:00 pm, Main Library

Frustrated with your computer skills? Want to polish your resume? Need to use the internet for job searches? We can help you!

Volunteers are available to help you with resumes, online job applications, MS Word documents, online searching, and more. No appointment is necessary; patrons are assisted on a first-come, first-serve basis.

Gifts to the Library

The Friends of the Library gratefully acknowledges gifts from the following:

Mrs. Rebecca White for the Flag Day Program at the Main Library

Mrs. Ann Reams in memory of Lois Craighill Sale

Upcoming Board Meetings of the Friends of the Library

Tuesday, September 17
4:00 pm

Community Room

Tuesday, November 19
4:00 pm

Community Room

Visitors are always welcome at Board Meetings.



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Runner's Workshop Tuesday, September 10 6:30 pm

Matt Richards, the founder of Runners in Action and a former Virginia 10 miler champion, will lead a workshop for all runners.



Matt will go over strategies and nutrition plans for running a long race. Learn how to prepare your mind and body for 10-milers, half-marathons and marathons.

Drums and rhythms from around the globe. Rusty Eklund and his group of mercenary drummers are ready to lay it down...at the Library.

The Guerrilla Drummers will be at the Main Library, Wednesdays in October, from 12:30—1:30 pm. Come enjoy the rhythms!



The Friends of the Library... Welcomes New Board Members

Brooksie Blanks

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Mike Petrikonis

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Keeley Tuggle

Darlene Walker

Nancy Young

...and Thanks Retiring Board Members

Sandra Brooks

Paula Bryant

Emily Davidson

Leigh Farmer

Dorothy Niles

Marc Schewel

Marty Wright



Holiday Celebrations of Yester-year Monday, November 18, 7:00 pm

What did the well to-do of Lynchburg eat for their holiday meals back in the early 1800's? How long did it take to cook a turkey in a hearth oven? How long did a dinner party last? Find out the answer to these questions and more when the Point of Honor visits the Main Library to present a typical holiday meal for the Cabell family during the Era of Good Feelings. Light refreshments will be served.

Encouraging Reading for All Ages with I-VAN



I-VAN Visits Lynchburg Seniors...

For senior citizens who can no longer get to the library, the Library comes to area senior living facilities in the form of the brightly-

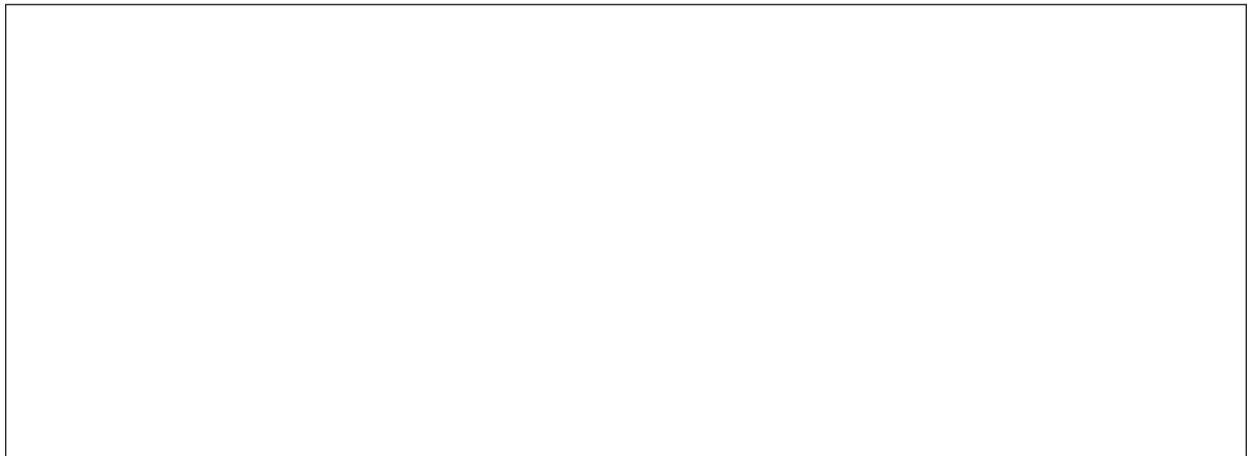
colored I-VAN, which stands for "Information-Van."

When you have been a life-long reader, and life brings a lot of changes, you don't want to give up reading. So the Lynchburg Public Library brings large print books, DVD's, videos, audio books, and music CDs to sixteen area senior living facilities, including The Oaks, McGurk House, Odd Fellows Home, Wesley Apartments, Valley View, Westminster-Canterbury, Hospice House, and the Williams Home. Residents who enjoy reading eagerly await the new items arriving at each location. Melody Carlton, the Library's Volunteer/Outreach Coordinator, drops off items every eight weeks with the assistance of volunteer Jesse Byrd.

...and Lynchburg School Kids

This summer, Youth Services took I-VAN to Payne Elementary School's "Summer Academy," providing books for approximately 48 students in the third, fourth, and fifth grades. Students checked out 2 books each week and spent time reading and discussing books during the 20-minute library period. The connection with Payne is unique, since the Library's new Youth Services Director Beverly Blair is the school's former Librarian and knows all the kids in the summer program.

I-VAN also went to the James Crossing Apartments on Greenfield Drive each Monday afternoon for 10 weeks this summer. Bringing over 700 books to approximately 250 patrons of all ages, Youth Services staff members enjoyed getting to know the James Crossing community and sharing books with eager young readers. Some of their favorite books were the *Diary of a Wimpy Kid* series and *Babymouse*.



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