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The Westfield Washington Public Library will strive, in partnership with local organizations, to provide quality services, materials and facilities that fulfill the educational, informational, technological, cultural and recreational needs of the entire community.

Friends of the Westfield Library News

Friends Board:

Virginia Fiscus, President
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The next Friends meeting will be held on November 10, at 6 p.m. The discussion will be about the Craft Bazaar and Silent Auction held in October.

Everyone is invited to join the Friends and be part of this fun and important fundraising group.



Easy Holiday Shopping!

It's time once again for the Friends of the Westfield Library annual Nearly New Sale! There are hundreds of very gently used books that will be available at prices ranging from \$6 to \$1, and all are suitable for gift-giving or just treating yourself.

The Friends Only Preview Sale (you can become a Friend at the door) will be Friday, December 4, at 6 p.m. The sale will be open to everyone from Saturday, December 5 through Saturday, December 12, during regular library hours.

Get a head start on your holiday shopping, save money and benefit a great cause. The Friends of the Westfield Library use the proceeds to fund library programs and to purchase needed items beyond the library's operating budget.



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 Washington
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The Library Board
 meets on the
 second Wednesday
 of each month at
 7:00 p.m.

Library Hours
 Monday-Thursday
 9:00 AM-8:00 PM
 Friday
 9:00 AM-6:00 PM
 Saturday
 9:00 AM-5:00 PM
 Closed Sunday

EVERGREEN INDIANA IS HERE!

On Friday, October 30, the Westfield Washington Public Library officially became an Evergreen Indiana library. Evergreen Indiana is a growing network of public libraries throughout Indiana that use the Evergreen software to allow patrons of member libraries to view the catalogs of other member libraries and to borrow materials from them using their Evergreen Indiana library card. As of November 2009, there are 43 member libraries serving over 480,000 Indiana residents, and the consortium continues to grow.

Library employees have completed the process of putting new barcodes on the over 150,000 items in the collection and have been trained on the new system. Every WWPL patron will receive a new library card at no cost, which must be presented whenever materials are checked out at their home library or any other Evergreen library. With their new card, each patron will also receive a brochure explaining the benefits changes and instructions for using the online catalog.

In addition to being able to borrow most materials from other Evergreen Indiana libraries, WWPL patrons will find that the online catalog and My Account features are very intuitive and easy to use. There are many useful tools, such as placing holds on materials at member libraries and having them sent to WWPL and creating a list of books you've read or want to read that can be shared through the catalog. Materials borrowed from other libraries can even be returned at WWPL.

The Evergreen Indiana project is sponsored by the Indiana State Library and a Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) grant. Services provided by the State Library include purchasing and maintaining the central servers, personnel costs in operating the system, training, software development, data conversion, and other related expenses. Changing from its previous cataloging system to Evergreen Indiana will immediately save the Washington Township taxpayers \$12,000 in annual system maintenance fees.

The transition to the new system would not have been possible without the help of our tireless volunteers. We would like to thank:

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VNS Flu Shot Clinic Friday, November 13

The Visiting Nurse Service, Inc. will be at the Library for a Flu Shot Clinic on Friday, November 13, from 10 a.m. until noon. Immunizations will be available to people six (6) months and older.

The VNS Bugbuster Flu and Pneumonia Shot Campaign is one of the largest influenza vaccination programs in the state of Indiana and has served central Indiana for more than a decade. The title sponsor of the program is Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield.

Payment may be made by cash, check or by presenting a Medicare Part B or Medicare Advantage Plan card, and costs for the various forms of the vaccine are:

Flu Shots (6 mo.-35 mo.) \$15
 Flu Shots (3 yrs.-up) \$25
 FluMist (2 yrs.-49 yrs.) \$30
 Flu Shots Thimerosal-Free (6 mo.-35 mo.) \$35
 Flu Shots Thimerosal-Free (3 yrs -up) \$40
 Pneumonia Shots \$45

These are seasonal flu vaccinations only. The H1N1

vaccine will not be available at this clinic. The Hamilton County Health Department is responsible for distribution of the H1N1 vaccine, although clinics for Hamilton County have not yet been scheduled for the general public and will not be until sometime in late December, based upon vaccine availability. Please check the Health Department's Web site at www.hamiltoncounty.in.gov/services.asp?id=7239 for the latest information on availability.



Audio/Video Department

The AV Department has introduced a new format to our audio collection: Playaways. These are fully loaded audio books on MP3 players that are smaller than a deck of cards and weigh just two ounces. Just plug in your earbuds and you can listen to your favorite book on the go.

Due to the increasing popularity of DVDs, our VHS collection has been downsized and the discarded tapes will be available at the Friends of the Library book sales. We have made some changes in the

department so if you have a question, the staff at the AV counter will be happy to assist you.

The new DVDs and Books on CD for November will be added to the collection during the first few weeks of the month.



New DVDs:

Ice Age 3
Land of the Lost
My Life in Ruins
The Proposal
Transformers 2
Year One

New Books on CD:

The Lost Symbol
 by Dan Brown
Dying for Mercy
 by Mary Jane Clark
Have A Little Faith
 by Mitch Albom
Hothouse Orchid
 by Stuart Woods

Food for Fines Huge Success

Thank you to all of our patrons for making the Food for Fines campaign so successful. In all, 510 pounds of food and 40 pounds of non-food items were

collected and donated to Open Doors of Westfield-Washington Township.

Open Doors is a volunteer-

based food and clothing pantry providing nonperishable food items, paper and hygiene products along with gently used clothing to those in need.

WWPL Board Meeting - October 14, 2009

From The Westfield Washington Public Library Board:

Circulation of materials for the month of September 2009 was 44,195, compared to 40,744 for September of 2008. This was an 8.5% increase from September 2008 statistics. 238 new library cards were issued during the month of September.

Mayor Cook attended this month's meeting to discuss

moving forward with a possible new library. He stated that the library board and the city need to continue discussing what is best for the citizens of Westfield and Washington Township.

The new chairs that were ordered using the funds from the Betty Overman Endowment Fund arrived this month, and the shelving for the award winning book collection was also completed. We will be moving

the books to the new shelves later this month.

The board also discussed different ways to deal with the revenue shortfall resulting from the property tax caps.

The board meeting agendas and packets are posted on the library's website at:

www.wwpl.lib.in.us

Magazine Rack

"Take Control of Your Credit Cards" in the November issue of *Consumer Reports*, is a lengthy article about how to fight back against higher rates, fees, and abusive practices. It also notes what the Credit Card Act of 2009 covers and what it does not. The list of credit cards worth having is another part of the article. These nationally available cards have generally good terms and no annual fees.

With winter approaching, it is a good time to think about our feathered friends. Feeding wild birds is one of the nation's most popular hobbies. "For the Birds: Which Seeds are Best?" in *National Wildlife* provides information about the right food for birds to stay healthy in our climate. You can learn more about bird feeding and how to attract wild creatures to your property.

Fine Cooking offers many ideas about, what else, food! And November is a good time to be thinking of the Thanksgiving meal. Let's talk about desert: "Pie Dreams" describes the secrets to flaky pie crusts — all-butter crusts, no less. And then it lists all kinds of delicious fillings such as pear, Jamaican-spiced pumpkin, coffee-toffee pecan and ginger-spice cranberry-apple streusel—need I say more!

Book Review... Lunch Box Letters

"Lunch Box Letters: Writing Notes of Love and Encouragement to Your Children" (306.874) co-authored by Carol Sperandeo and Bill Zimmerman. The two parents often wrote notes to their children and decided to put some of the notes in book form. The authors provide sample

letters to get you started, and make it clear that you don't have to be Shakespeare to write lunch box letters.

The book contains 75 sheets of colorful notepaper that you can copy and use. Just add a few words and tuck the finished letter into your child's lunch box

or backpack.

Some of the notes are simple expressions of love. Some are notes of encouragement. Others express appreciation of the child's progress. In any case, these notes will get you started in writing your own personal love letters to your children.