

Renovation Progress Report and Capital Campaign Update: Growing Forward Together: Investing in Our Community's Future



The renovation is in full force. If you have driven by, I'm sure vou have noticed the amazing new hip roof and the fresh new color on the outside. The inside is coming along as well. Giles County There are numerous Public Library workers on the inside - the activity

level is really something to see! It is a very busy place.

We are very excited and anxious for the renovation's completion and to move back across the street. In fact, we can't wait! We suspect you are excited as well. We are planning two events to celebrate our grand reopening. On September 28th we will have a special event for everyone who has made a contribution to the campaign. On September 29th we will have a special reopening event for the general public. More information about both events will be coming soon.

When finished, your library will have an incredible new look, easier accessibility, improved space for computer users, improved lighting, a new layout for our shelving, an exciting new children's area, and an updated meeting room for community use. It will be a fabulous update for the library and the Historical Society of which we will all be very proud.

Since the renovation began, the library has been housed in its temporary location across the street at 117 South Second Street. Although our space has been very limited, we have done the best we could to continue serving the community. Even with the space limitations, we have been receiving new titles weekly. Please come by and check out our new books, DVDs, audio books, and Nooks. We still have Wi-Fi, four public access computers and two laptops available to use plus the AWE Early Literacy Computer for children. We can make copies and send faxes.



Our Lynnville branch is open on Fridays during the renovation and the Elkton branch has many more books on its shelves to choose from. And if there is a book that you would like but we don't have it because of our limited space, we can usually get it from another library thru our inter-library loan system. Please ask if we don't have something you need.

Capital Campaign Update

As of July, we have received over \$550,000 in gifts and pledges. We are enormously grateful to everyone who has made donations and pledges. If you made a three-year pledge last year, please send your second year pledge directly to the library at 122 South Second Street, Pulaski, TN 38478.

If you have not made a gift or pledge, there is plenty of time for you to do so. While we have exceeded our original goal of \$500,000, we did not anticipate some of the issues we have encountered. Unexpected issues with an older building have contributed to the cost rising above original estimates. However, all of these changes will result in numerous improvements that will serve the community well into the future.

We encourage you to join your friends and neighbors and make your gift or pledge! Gifts and pledges may be made from our secure web site by clicking on "Gifts" in the navigation bar. You may also come by our temporary home and pick up a pledge card, or we will be glad to mail one to you. Support your library by supporting this important campaign!

Thank you!

Capital Campaign Committee: Brenda Speer, Chair

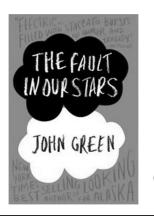
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Have you seen the recent movie, *The Fault in Our Stars* and wondered how it compared to the book? Or perhaps you've seen the movie, and didn't know that it was based on a book.

We have two copies of the Young Adult novel available at our Main Branch, as well as two copies on our Student Nooks (all of which are available for check out).

Stop by and get your copy today to see what the buzz is all about!



Coming Up for the Computer Whiz

It's Legos. It's robots. It's Mindstorms to design on the computer.

Team event to create Ev3rstorm Track3r Gripp3r R3ptar Spik3r with mighty motor controls. Laptops invited.

Watch Facebook and our Web site for details.



Celebrate Halloween with punkin' chunkin'. And more. Keep on the look out. We'll post more details as we have them!

Murder, mayhem, politics with Big Jim, a fork with a bent tine, completely unusable, horse racing, a walk in paradise with a gentle rain falling. What could these possibly have in common? You would have to visit the Giles County Writing Group to find out.

The group formed several years ago after a well-known writer came to a library sponsored event and spoke to a well attended meeting about writing, e.g. how to publish, or how to write to different audiences. A small group

of those attending started the local Giles County Writing Group. Typically, the group now has 10-12 regular members, complemented by visitors from other countries such as England, published writers, friends of the group, etc. A typical meeting includes readings, positive critiques, remembrances and sharing of experiences. Several of the members are published authors, radio guests, a playwright and volunteer readers at a local care facility. The meetings usually last one to two hours with much laughter, some tears, and always a feeling of accomplishment and involvement in a group that shares a love of writing. Young, old, female,



GILES COUNTY

WRITING GROUP

male – everyone is welcome. The Giles County Writing Group meets on the first Monday of every month at 10:00am, upstairs in the First National Bank – a temporary location until the library's reconstruction is completed. After that completion, the group will meet on the same first Monday of every month at 10:15am in the library.



****Holiday Closing Date****

The library will be closed on Monday, September 1, 2014 in observance of Labor Day.



Look for upcoming events about The Big Read and *True Grit* by Charles Portis in late Fall 2014.





Library Tea Event Friday, October 17th 2:00 pm

Friday, October 17th at 2:00 pm, join us for a "Geek Your Library" tea, where we explain the "Geek" process, and showcase our many services! Don't miss out on this event!

The library quarterly teas are free and open to the public. If you are bringing a party of **more than 3 people**, please reserve a table by calling the library at (931) 363-2720.

Winners from our "We Geek Our Pets" Contest!



First Place went to Hallie, who belongs to Cari Garner.

Tied for Second Place was Eskimo, who belongs to Cari Garner, and Tootz, who belongs to Vicky Bond.

Memorials: April 16 - July 31, 2014

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You can designate your money to be used for books, DVDs, audio books, magazines, programs or general library funds. Memorials are a great way to honor someone's memory and help the library at the same time.

Honorariums

Betty Daniel (Mother's Day) Elizabeth & Fagan Sneed

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This was a summer for exciting science, and the Summer Reading Program had lots of it.

Kids made levers and siphons at The Home Depot; they painted with pendulums; they sampled smoothies and learned to keep food refrigerated; they groomed and walked horses; they made bird feeders with the residents of Ivy Crest; they explored Pleasant Run Creek with TWRA; they made wind socks and bubbles; they even designed parachutes and brought their Teddy bears safely to earth from 55 feet in the sky.

At the Boys and Girls Club they did CPR; they rocked to tap and hip hop and a good workout with Sandy Mavrotheris; they explored the ambulance; they did experiments with Georgia Ude; and they watched (on a Magotteaux video) how a foundry recycles your old car.

There was a trebuchet fling with Josh Wise of the Rebel Hawks; car care with Michael Patterson at WalMart; demolishing stuff with John Davis at Easy Pay; 3D printing and laser engraving with teacher, Gary McCree; and fingerprinting and the crime scene with John White, author of *Murder, Murder.* Wow! There's science everywhere.

We opened with a blast from Professor Grey Beard and closed with a pool party. It was a very good year.



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