

Off the Shelf

Your Guide to Programs and Services at the Waterloo Public Library

Fall 2011 | Issue 28

Harper Branch Opening This Fall!



This fall, there will be 3 libraries in the Waterloo Public Library system: the Main Library (35 Albert Street), the McCormick Branch (500 Parkside Drive) and the brand new John M. Harper Branch (500 Fischer-Hallman Road). Fall 2011 is going to be a very exciting time for the library staff, board and, of course, the customers! To learn more about the Harper Branch and details on its grand opening, visit harperbranch.wordpress.com

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Reading is Child's Play: a sports memorabilia auction

October 24 to 31 | eBay.ca

WPL has partnered with athletes and sports teams to fundraise for children's literacy. Participants have donated autographed items (books, photos, and sports equipment) to the auction, which will be held on eBay.ca

Each auction lot contains an autographed item, a WPL book bag, and a "Reading is Child's Play" ball cap, generously donated by Zactor Embroidery & Screenprinting.

The Waterloo Public Library would like to thank the *Waterloo Region Record* for their support of "Reading is Child's Play."

For more information on the auction, see the back cover of this edition of *Off the Shelf*.

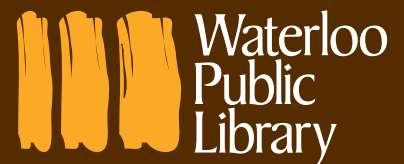
Valour in Battle: Canada's Victoria Cross Recipients



Join us for our annual Remembrance Day lecture with guest speaker Prof. Mike Bechthold, Communications Director of the Laurier Centre for Military Strategic and Disarmament Studies at Wilfrid Laurier University. Everyone welcome!

Date: Thursday, November 3
Time: 7:00pm to 9:00pm
Place: Main Library, Auditorium

a place to grow



MISSION

*The Waterloo Public Library
is a place to grow!*

*Through a team of friendly,
knowledgeable and well
trained staff, volunteers
and trustees, WPL offers*

*people of all ages
innovative lifelong
learning and leisure
opportunities.*

Hours and Locations

MAIN LIBRARY

35 Albert Street
Waterloo, Ontario, N2L 5E2
Phone: 519-886-1310

- Monday to Thursday – 10:00am to 9:00pm
- Friday – 10:00am to 5:30pm
- Saturday – 10:00am to 5:30pm
- Sundays – 1:00pm to 4:00pm,
October 16 to May 6

POPULAR EXTENSIONS AT THE MAIN LIBRARY 519-886-1310

General Enquiries	Ext. 110
Computer Reservations.....	Ext. 124
Information Services.....	Ext. 124
Children's Department.....	Ext. 129
Overdues	Ext. 185
Holds	Ext. 189
Room Bookings	Ext. 186
Visiting Library Service.....	Ext. 186



"WaterlooLibrary"



"Waterloo Public Library
(Ontario, Canada)"

McCORMICK BRANCH

500 Parkside Drive
Waterloo, Ontario, N2L 5J4
Phone: 519-886-1310 ext. 213

- Tuesday to Thursday – 10:00am to 9:00pm
- Friday – 10:00am to 5:30pm
- Saturday – 10:00am to 5:30pm
- Sunday and Monday – Closed

TTY: 1-866-786-3941

TELRENEW: 519-886-5480

JOHN M. HARPER BRANCH

500 Fischer-Hallman Road
Waterloo, Ontario, N2L 0B1
Phone: 519-886-1310 ext. 310

- Monday to Thursday – 10:00am to 9:00pm
- Friday – Closed
- Saturday – 10:00am to 5:30pm
- Sunday – Closed

To learn more about the building
of the new branch library, visit
harperbranch.wordpress.com

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Holiday Hours 2011

The Waterloo Public Library will
be **closed** on the following dates:

- Monday, October 10 – Thanksgiving
- Friday, November 25 – Staff Development Day

Christmas & New Year's Hours

- Saturday, December 24 – Open 10:00am to 1:30pm
- Sunday, December 25 – Closed
- Monday, December 26 – Closed
- Tuesday, December 27 – Closed
- Wednesday, December 28 – Open 10:00am to 9:00pm
- Thursday, December 29 – Open 10:00am to 9:00pm
- Friday, December 30 – Open 10:00am to 5:30pm
- Saturday, December 31 – Open 10:00am to 1:30pm
- Sunday, January 1, 2012 – Closed
- Monday, January 2, 2012 – Closed

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popular quarterly newsletter,
Off the Shelf, directly in your
Inbox, simply contact
Sandi Hall at 519-886-1310
ext. 157 or shall@wpl.ca



The John M. Harper Branch



The years and months of planning for the new John M. Harper Branch are now down to just days left before we make the “big reveal”!

As many of you have noticed, the windows of the Harper Branch have been covered while we prepare for our grand opening. It has been an exciting journey as we put the final pieces in place – and there were many pieces! Furniture, equipment, supplies, staff hiring, organizing and shelving the collection, planning opening day activities...the list goes on and on. Without the dedication of the staff members who worked so hard and long on this project, none of this could have happened. And the staff fit all of this in around their normal day-to-day activities and responsibilities! Not an easy task, but one that is very much appreciated and valued. Even more stirring for us is that we have heard from so many members of the community who love libraries and value the influence they have on the community.

To commemorate the opening of our newest branch, we want to do something special. We are asking children’s authors from across Canada to write and tell us what libraries mean to them. We plan on exhibiting these personal messages in the children’s area of the branch. Here are a couple of examples of what we have received so far:

Hazel Hutchins: “A kid in a candy store – that’s the wonderful feeling I get when I step into a library. And the best part? At a public library, freedom of choice is never limited by the money in one’s pocket and over-indulgence leads only to new and amazing worlds of possibility. Congratulations Waterloo!”

Eric Walters: “I run an organization to support orphans in Kikima, Kenya (creationofhope.com) Along with building two orphanages, creating water projects, giving away goats, chickens, beds, blankets, tools and school uniforms, we built the first library in all of Mbooni District. It is called ‘The Christina Gay Community Library’ and is named after my grade 5 teacher. Libraries are the heart of a school, the heart of a community. They just don’t loan books, they change lives.”

With the opening of the John M. Harper Branch (named after an individual who himself changed lives) WPL welcomes the opportunity to change more lives! Please come and visit us at our newest location at 500 Fischer-Hallman Road.

Laurie Clarke
CEO, Waterloo Public Library

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OPENING SOON!

VISIT HARPERBRANCH.WORDPRESS.COM FOR DETAILS!



Three quiet study rooms will be available to the public for free.



The carpeting is in and the wireless work bar has been installed. Sit. Work on your laptop. Enjoy the view of Laurel Creek Conservation Area's forest.



Special window benches for the children's area, ready to be installed.



Security gates at the internal entrance to the library.



Part of the children's area, with the programming space to the right.



Part of the green roof. With the rain and heat of late summer, the plants on the roof flourished!



Splish Splash Storytime!

Once a week in July and August, WPL staff entertained children and their parents at the Waterloo Public Square. Stories, songs, and fun in general were guaranteed. Here, Sheila Kretz-Greco and friend tell a tall tale.



WPL and Square2Square



WPL was happy to be a part of Square2Square (car-free Sunday) in August. Sharon Whittle (left) and Rebecca Dechert-Sage enjoyed meeting many library customers, chatting about the newest library in the WPL system, and hosting some craft and story times in the sun.

Blue W @ WPL

Refill your reusable, personal-sized water bottles at WPL

The Main and John M. Harper Branches of the WPL are proud to be a part of the Blue W program. Blue W is a not-for-profit network of services and businesses willing to let visitors refill a reusable bottle with refreshing tap water.

The Main Library (Adult Department and Children's Department foyer) and the John M. Harper Branch both have water fountains that are perfect for refilling bottles with cold tap water.

There are over 3,600 participating businesses and services. To locate the "Blue W" businesses in your area (or further a field when you travel), visit bluew.org



McCormick Faces



Hello, Waterloo!

My name is Deb Wilson and I am proud to say that I have worked within the Waterloo Public Library system for over 22 years. Having lived in Waterloo my entire life, I have developed a great appreciation for our fine city and have been very fortunate that my career has given me the opportunity to be closely involved in our community for most of my adult life.

I joined the library many moons ago. I started in the Main Library's Adult Department, dealing with the AV collections, then moved to the Children's Department where I was heavily involved in children's programming. My duties there included reference and circulation. I then moved over to the McCormick Branch about 12 years ago, and I am so happy I did! We have a very dedicated, well-trained and caring team at McCormick. I love working in a smaller branch in such a terrific community, and have developed a great camaraderie with our library patrons. My current position is Senior Library Assistant and my duties include planning, presenting and advertising children's programs, circulation, reader's advisory, reference, and of course anything else that might crop up!

Now that you have my history, I am pleased to announce that I will be the new Supervisor at the McCormick Branch. I look forward to all of the changes happening within our library system and will continue to serve our community to the best of my ability.

*Deb Wilson,
Supervisor, McCormick Branch*

Sam I am

I am very excited to begin my new position as a Children's Programmer & Library Assistant at the McCormick Branch!

For almost 11 years, I have had the pleasure of working at WPL's Main Library. I feel very fortunate to contribute to such a valuable (and valued) community service. The customers, the staff, and the BOOKS (!) make it very easy to say "I love my job."

My time at the Main Library has included paging in the Children's Department, assisting customers at the Circulation Desk and, for the past two years, working on our extensive collection of magazines as a member of the Collections Department

Prior to WPL, I was employed as a dance teacher, daycare assistant and nanny to my beloved niece and nephew (both have volunteered as guinea pigs for new program ideas I create).

I am grateful for this opportunity and am looking forward to building new relationships and experiences in my role at the McCormick Branch. Already knowing how friendly and welcoming the staff of McCormick are (alright, wonderful!), I can't wait to become a part of this branch and its neighbourhood.

*Sam Walter,
Children's Programmer & Library Assistant,
McCormick Branch*



Super Summer... Fantastic Fall!

Over 1,500 kids registered for WPL's *Splash! Summer Reading Club*, with 600 reading at least 10 books each! This outstanding result came right after the success of our *Chips & Dip – The Hunger Games* program, so with this in mind, we have created a special new program. *Guys Read/Gals Read* is a weekly hour-long program that brings adults, tweens and snacks together in the same room, reading the same books. For details visit wpl.ca/tweens/programs-for-tweens or pick up a copy of the *Tween Tattler* in the library.



We Want YOU for the Youth Advisory Group!

Want to help make the new Harper Branch a place where you and your friends want to hang out? If you are a tween or teen who wants to help shape the programs and services that the Harper Branch offers, join the Youth Advisory Group and have your say! Meetings are the first Monday of the month from 6:30pm to 7:30pm at the Harper Branch. The date of the first meeting TBA.

LEGO Building Contest

The first LEGO building contest at WPL was a huge success. Check out some of the winning entries below and start planning your creation for next year!

Jeanne Church



Winner: 5/6 yr olds – “Loch Ness Monster Finder”



Winner: 9/10 yr. olds – “Speed Boat”



Winner: 7/8 yr olds – “Tidal Wave”



Winner: 11/12 yr. olds – “Paradise Valley”



WPL Children's Programs

October to December 2011



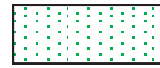
www.wpl.ca

Main
McCormick

Registered Programs:
Registration may be done by phone or in person. First come, first served.



Drop-in Programs: These programs may be enjoyed every week or only on occasion.



Ticketed Programs: Tickets may be picked up at location hosting the event.

Main Library

35 Albert Street, Waterloo ON

(519) 886-1310 ext. 129

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>Tales for Tots Sept. 19—Dec. 5 (no prog. Oct. 10) 10:30—11:00 Everyone welcome</p>	<p>LittleCounters Sept. 20—Oct. 18 10:15—11:00 Ages: 12 to 28 months <i>Limited to first 15 babies w. caregiver</i></p>	<p>Preschool Wiggles and Giggles Sept. 21—Dec. 7 10:30—11:15 Ages: 3 to 5</p>	<p>Onederful Sept. 22—Dec. 8 10:30—10:50 Ages: 6 to 23 mos. w. caregiver <i>Limited to first 20 kids.</i></p>	<p>Mother Goose on the Loose Sept. 23—Dec. 9 (no prog. Nov. 25) 10:30—11:00 Ages: 18 mos. to 4 years w. caregiver.</p>	<p>Family Storytime Sept. 24—Dec. 10 11:00—11:30 Everyone welcome</p>
<p>WPL Writing Circle Sept. 19—Oct. 24 (no prog. Oct. 10) 4:00—5:00 Ages: 9 to teen</p>			<p>Guys Read! Sept. 22, Oct. 6 & 20, Nov. 3 & 17, Dec. 1 6:30—7:30 Ages: 9 and up</p>		
<p>October 10 Library Closed Thanksgiving</p>	<p>Books and Games Oct. 11—Dec. 6 6:00—7:30 Ages: 6 to 12 <i>This is a reading circle that encourages literacy.</i></p>	<p>Kids Quilt too! Oct. 19—Dec. 7 6:30—7:30 Ages: 7 and up Reg.: Oct. 12</p>	<p>Gals Read! Sept. 29, Oct. 13 & 27, Nov. 10 & 24, Dec. 8 6:30—7:30 Ages: 9 and up</p>		<p>Halloween Hijinks October 29 2:30—3:30 Ages: 5 to 8 Reg.: Oct. 22 <i>Come in costume for Halloween stories, crafts...</i></p>
<p>Cartoonists Assemble! Oct. 31—Dec. 5 4:00—5:00 Ages: 9 and up</p>	<p>Time 4 Twos Oct. 25—Dec. 6 10:30—11:00 Ages: 24 to 35 months with caregiver.</p>	<p>The Artist's Studio Nov. 2—Dec. 7 4:00—5:00 Ages: 9 and up Reg.: Oct. 26</p>	<p>Crafty Kids Oct. 13—Dec. 8 4:15—5:00 Ages: 5 to 8 Reg.: Oct. 6</p>	<p>November 25 Library Closed Staff Development Day</p>	
<p>December 25, 26 & 27 Library Closed Happy Holidays</p>			<p>Crafty Christmas December 15 6:30—8:00 Everyone welcome <i>A fun, annual program for crafty kids.</i></p>		<p>A Porcupine in a Pine Tree December 3 2:00—3:00 Ages: 5 and up Tickets: Nov. 26</p>

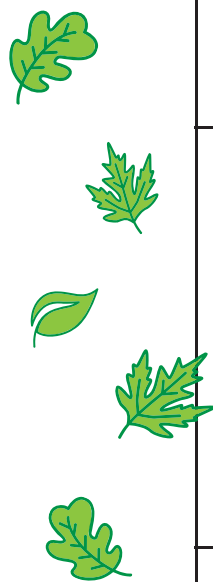



For detailed, up-to-date program descriptions please visit KidBits on our website at www.wpl.ca or pick-up a copy of our Events Calendar at either Main or McCormick. You may also call us directly at (519) 886-1310 Main—ext. 129 and McCormick—ext. 213.



Our programs are FREE!

McCormick Branch 500 Parkside Drive, Waterloo ON

(519) 886-1310 ext. 213

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>McCormick Branch is CLOSED Mondays</p> 	<p><i>Stories @ Bertie's</i> Oct. 4—Dec. 20 10:15—10:45 Everyone welcome</p>	<p><i>Magic Carpet Ride</i> Sept. 21—Dec. 7 6:30—7:00 Everyone welcome</p>		<p><i>Free for All</i> Sept. 30, Oct. 7 & 21 10:30—11:00 Ages: 0 to 2 years</p>	
			<p><i>Hallowe'en Party</i> October 27 6:30—7:15 Ages: 5 to 7 Reg.: Oct. 13</p>		
			<p><i>Little Hands</i> Nov. 3—24 2:00—2:30 Ages: 2 to 4 Reg.: Oct. 21 <i>A craft program for you and your little one.</i></p>	<p><i>ROM: Starlab</i> November 18 2:00—3:00 & 3:30—4:30 Ages: 5 and up Tickets: Nov. 4 <i>The Royal Ontario Museum is bringing a planetarium for kids interested in astronomy.</i></p>	
				<p>November 25 Library Closed Staff Development Day</p>	
<p>December 25, 26 & 27 Library Closed Happy Holidays</p> 			<p><i>Deck the Halls</i> December 8 6:30—7:15 Ages: 5 to 7 Reg.: Nov. 24 <i>Festive stories, games and a craft.</i></p>		<p><i>Winter Tales</i> December 10 10:30—11:15 Ages: 4 and up Tickets: Nov. 26 <i>Interactive storytelling with Deb Loyd.</i></p>



Board member Melissa Durrell (left) with longtime WPL volunteer Sallie Gingrich (right).

VLS VOLUNTEER CELEBRATES 25 Years with WPL

Twenty-five years and counting! Yes, our Visiting Library Service volunteer Sallie Gingrich has now been delivering books to retirement homes and homebound customers for a quarter of a century.

We are proud to acknowledge Sallie's achievement and thank her for her dedication to the library and those whom she has delivered books.

From a very young age, Sallie was actively involved in family life, community work and caring for others. After marrying and having children, Sallie pursued a career in home care services. Without a doubt, Sallie has carried forward her commitment to making a difference in the world around her.

Over the years, Sallie has taken bags full of books to the residents at Woodland Terrace and hundreds of other books to several other patrons living in their homes. So often we fail to realize the pleasure that reading can bring to one's life. Library patrons that Sallie has helped would agree that she has been a lifeline and brightened many a day with her positive outlook and warm personality.

Thank you Sallie for the support you've given to the Visiting Library Service program at WPL. Congratulations on your twenty-five year award.

Sandra Wright, Outreach Services



The Waterloo Public Library (Main) was proud to host the 2011 Waterloo Horticultural Society's Flower & Vegetable Show.

Go West, Young Man



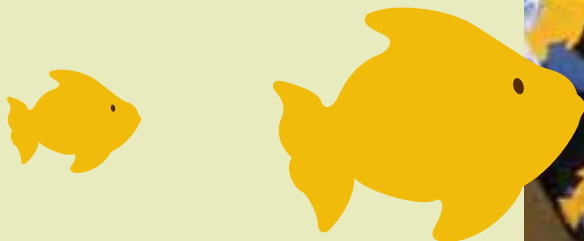
Former WPL employee Srdjan Kokotovic fulfilled a lifelong goal this summer by cycling from his home in Kitchener to Vancouver, British Columbia. The trip is documented in a blog at canadabiketour.com

Congratulations, Srdjan. You did it!

What are WE reading? So glad you asked!

Are you looking for the next great book to read? Are you curious about what other people are reading and recommending? Visit WPL Reads (wplreads.wordpress.com), a new blog where Waterloo Public Library staff post what they're reading, suggest good reads and share what's going on in the book world.

Fiction. Nonfiction. New reads. But some older books, too. We hope to introduce you to some new titles and authors, or perhaps to reacquaint you with an old favourite. New entries are posted every few days, so check back often!



Charge It!

Use your VISA or Mastercard to purchase a WPL gift item (see page 15), make a donation, or pay overdue fines. These payment options are currently available at the Main Library and the John M. Harper Branch Library.

One Fish, Two Fish...

The *Splash! Summer Reading Club* was a huge success. Each child who read over 10 books was given a paper goldfish to post on the library windows. Judging by the number of goldfish, one could say that the program went swimmingly.

Congratulations to all the participants and to those who won the draw prizes and the colouring contest.



Reads /4teens

Teen Nonfiction: from the informative to the frivolous (with lots in between)

WPL's teen nonfiction collection includes a range of books on a variety of topics that are of particular interest to teens. Some books are serious and informative, while others are decidedly light and frivolous. From practical guides to memoirs to tongue-in-cheek treatises, we hope there's something for all teen readers. Take a look at just a few recent teen nonfiction titles:

Get creative:



- *Click: the ultimate photography guide for generation now* by Charlie Styr
- *Seize the Story: a handbook for teens who like to write* by Victoria Hanley
- *Stan Lee's How to Draw Comics* by Stan Lee

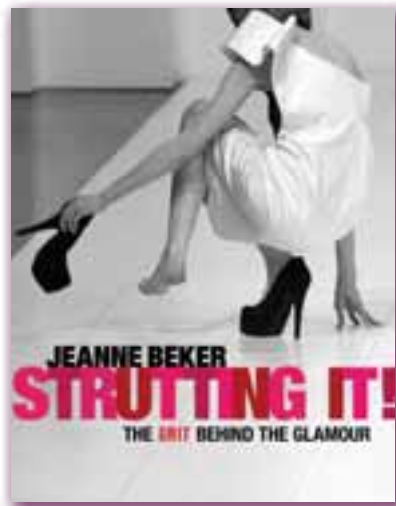
Change your world:

- *Generation V: the complete guide to going, being, and staying vegan as a teenager* by Claire Askew
- *Get Real: What kind of world are you buying?* by Mara Rockliff
- *Green Careers: you can make money – and – save the planet* by Jennifer Power Scott



Primp and preen:

- *The Look Book: 50 iconic beauties and how to achieve their signature styles* by Erika Stalder
- *Seventeen Ultimate Guide to Style: how to find your perfect look* by Ann Shoket
- *Strutting It!: the grit behind the glamour* by Jeanne Beker



Entertain your friends:

- *87 Ways to Throw a Killer Party* by Melissa Daly
- *Go Ahead, Ask Me* by Nico Medina and Billy Merrell
- *Reel culture: 50 classic movies you should know about (so you can impress your friends)* by Mimi O'Connor

Look ahead:

- *Alternative Resumes: definitely not your parents' resume book* by Michael Howard
- *Start it Up: the complete teen business guide to turning your passions into pay* by Kenrya Rankin



New in Teen Nonfiction this Fall:

- *Dear Bully: seventy authors tell their stories* edited by Carrie Jones and Megan Kelley Hall
- *How to Fight, Lie, and Cry Your Way to Popularity (and a Prom Date): Lousy Life Lessons from 50 Teen Movies* by Nikki Roddy
- *The Hunger Games Companion: the unauthorized guide to the series* by Lois S. Gresh

Are there teen titles you'd like to read that the library doesn't own? E-mail me your suggestions!

*Megan Clare, Manager,
Collections Support
mclare@wpl.ca*

Share the Joy of Reading:

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However, if you finish reading an eBook before the due date you can return it early so that someone else is able to download and enjoy it. It is easy to do.

1. Go to Adobe Digital Editions
2. In "Library View" click on the arrow in the upper left corner of the book. A drop down menu will appear.
3. Select *Return Borrowed Item*. The item is then returned early to the library collection, thus making it available for the next person. If you select *Delete Item* that will delete the item from your Adobe Digital Editions account but it will remain signed out to you until the loan period has expired.



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Your choice of 7, 14 or 21 days

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The WPL Book Club

Welcome to our Book Club! The WPL Book Club is 'open,' which means people can drop in and attend once in a while or come faithfully every month.

The club meets on the second Monday of each month from 7:00pm to 8:00pm in the Auditorium (lower level) at the Main Library (35 Albert Street). For more information, visit wplbookclub.wordpress.com or phone 519-886-1310 ext. 146.

Selections for 2011:

Available in the following formats:

Jan 10 *The Shack* by William P. Young



BOOK



LARGE PRINT



CD



E-AUDIO

Feb 14 *Pride and Prejudice*
by Jane Austen



BOOK



LARGE PRINT



e-BOOK



DVD



E-AUDIO

Mar 14 *In Cold Blood* by Truman Capote



BOOK



E-AUDIO

Apr 11 *The Swan Thieves* by Elizabeth Kostova



BOOK



LARGE PRINT



CD

May 9 *Mother Tongue: English and How It Got That Way* by Bill Bryson



BOOK

Jun 13 *Our Town* by Thornton Wilder



BOOK



DVD

Jul 11 *Infidel* by Ayaan Hirsi Ali



BOOK



CD

August *Bury Your Dead* by Louise Penny



BOOK



LARGE PRINT



CD



E-AUDIO

Sept 12 *Nikolski* by Nicolas Dickner



BOOK



LARGE PRINT



CD



E-AUDIO

Oct 17 *The Golden Mean* by Annabel Lyon



BOOK

Nov 14 *Last Night in Twisted River*
by John Irving



BOOK



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CD



E-AUDIO

Dec 12 *The Hunger Games* by Suzanne Collins



BOOK



E-AUDIO

For the Love of Vampires



The movie adaptation of *Breaking Dawn* by Stephanie Meyer is set to be released in November 2011. It will be a two-part film and will form the final installment of *The Twilight Saga*. In Part 1, Bella and vampire Edward Cullen's marital joy is cut short when battle erupts between the Cullens and the council of vampire leaders. Entertaining? Definitely! Scary? Not so much. While waiting for the release of *Breaking Dawn*, fans of this genre might want to check out some edge-of-your seat, suspenseful and gruesome vampire stories.

***Salem's Lot* by Stephen King**

After many years away Ben Mears, a successful writer, returns to his hometown of Salem's Lot, a small New England town with white clapboard houses and tree-lined streets. Ben is writing a book on the Marsden House, a house that has haunted Ben since his childhood. A stranger has also come to the Lot, a stranger with a secret as old as evil that will wreak irreparable harm on those he touches and in turn on those they love. The arrival of the stranger coincides with the disappearance of Ralphie Glick, the first in a long line of victims. As the number of vampires grows steadily, Ben is able to convince a group of believers that they can fight back against the undead.



***The Strain* by Guillermo del Toro**

A plane has landed at New York's JFK airport but it sits on the tarmac with no lights, radio contact or life inside of it. Police and emergency medical crews are called to investigate the possible outbreak of a mysterious disease which has killed all but four of the plane's passengers. Unknowingly, something more ominous is responsible for the carnage, which now threatens the city and soon the entire country.

***Interview with the Vampire* by Anne Rice**

Louis is lonely and melancholy after he becomes a vampire at the age of 25 following the death of his brother. He is taken in hand by Lestat, a vampire who is vengeful by nature and unquenchably bloodthirsty. The story follows Louis' experiences for 200 years as one of the "living dead," focussing on his love for Claudia, a youngster that Louis and Lestat vampire-ize. Poor Louis struggles to save Claudia and keep her from sinking her pretty little white teeth in pale pink flesh. Finally, he realizes his attempt to escape evil and find love and goodness is doomed.



Christine Brown, Information Services



Download Library



Do you have questions about how to get started using audio and eBooks? Need help downloading the software onto your computer or mobile device? Perhaps you have questions about other issues related to audio and eBooks. Simply make an appointment to come in for a demonstration and to have your questions answered. Monday evening appointments preferred but days and times are negotiable. Please contact Christine Brown at 519-886-1310 ext. 146 or cbrown@wpl.ca to set up your appointment today.

Christmas Shopping at WPL

Come to the library, do a little shopping and support WPL! We have a line of special fundraising gift items produced exclusively for Waterloo Public Library.

All gift items are available for purchase at the Circulation Desks at the Main Library, the McCormick Branch and the John M. Harper Branch. Purchases at the Main Library and the Harper Branch may be made with cash, cheque, debit, VISA or Mastercard. Purchases at McCormick may be made by cash or cheque.

We hope you'll think of WPL the next time you need a unique gift for a friend, family member, teacher or caregiver!

Notepad with pen **\$8.00**

Perfect for a book diary, small journal etc. Green in colour and in concept; made completely (including the pen) from recycled paper!

Ceramic Mugs **\$12.00**

Striking dark blue ceramic mugs (16 oz.) with glossy white interior. A quality, attractive, "green" product with discreet WPL logo placement.

Pens **\$2.50**

Push-action ballpoint pens with chrome tip. Blue ink, with your choice of red, blue or green (jewel-tone) exterior.

Magnetic clips **\$3.50**

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Metal "Read" zipper pulls.



Reading is Child's Play



The *Reading is Child's Play* fundraising auction for children's literacy will take place on eBay.ca from October 24 to 31, 2011. A direct link to the auction will be available during that time on the library's website and fundraising blog.

All items will be shipped to successful bidders by the end of November 2011. Successful bidders who live locally and would like to save on

shipping and handling can arrange to pick their auction item up at the Main Library. At the close of the auction, please contact Sandi Hall at shall@wpl.ca to make this arrangement.

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A U C T I O N L O T S

ESPN & Disney

- 4 Park Passes to Disney-Florida

Hockey

- Kitchener Rangers – hockey stick signed by the 2010-2011 roster
- Cassie Campbell – item to be announced
- Hayley Wickenheiser – autographed copy of her book *The Gold Medal Diary*
- Toronto Maple Leafs – autographed stick, signed by #16 Clarke MacArthur

Figure Skating

- Brian Boitano – autographed copy of the book *Boitano's Edge*
- Joannie Rochette – autographed 4" x 6" photo
- Jamie Salé and David Pelletier – autographed 4" x 6" photo
- Jeffrey Buttle – autographed 5" x 7" photo
- Kurt Browning – autographed copy of his children's book *A is for Axel*

Golfing

- Annika Sorenstam – autographed photo

Skiing

- Brad Spence – signed World Cup Racing bib
- Dustin Cook – item to be announced
- Kelly Vanderbeek – autographed ski gloves

Snowboarding

- Elena Hight – autographed snowboard
- Kelly Clark – autographed postcard
- Tyler Jewell – item to be announced
- Jenn Heil – goggles and autographed holder

Skateboarding

- Chris Cole – Chris Cole – Cole "Zero" Skateboard
- Tony Hawk – autographed photo
- Ryan Sheckler – autographed poster

Football

- Buffalo Bills – laser-signed photo of #14 Ryan Fitzpatrick and a copy of the 2010 Bills' Yearbook
- Hamilton Tiger Cats – ticket voucher for the 2011 season

Tennis

- Andre Agassi – autographed copy of his book *Open*
- Lleyton Hewitt – autographed cap, worn by Lleyton at Wimbledon 2010

Baseball

- Detroit Tigers – autographed 8" x 10" photo of infielder Ramon Santiago

Curling

- Jennifer Jones – shirt signed by all members of "Team Jennifer Jones"

NASCAR

- Kevin Harvick – autographed photo

Speedskating

- Denny Morrison – item to be announced
- Kristina Groves – autographed 8" x 10" photos (there will be two lots, each of one signed photo)

Rowing

- Silken Lauman – item to be announced

Boxing

- Fitz "The Whip" Vanderpool – autographed boxing glove and photograph

Visit waterlopubliclibrary.wordpress.com for complete details on the *Reading is Child's Play* fundraiser.

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