Mission Statement
The Westfield Memorial Library—the community’s destination for discovery and ideas—engages minds, entertains spirits and facilitates lifelong learning for people of all ages.

Friends report multiple changes to Museum Pass Program for 2020

The Friends Museum Pass Program is undergoing some changes as museum policies towards libraries change.

The Frick Collection in New York City is now offering a “print on demand” option for libraries. This allows patrons to access the Frick pass on any day the museum is open, but patrons must commit to a specific date.

Frick passes may be reserved on a “first come/first served” basis in person at the library up to two weeks in advance, and two or four people can reserve a pass for any available date.

As of mid-May, Grounds for Sculpture will no longer offer museum passes as the program was costing the museum far too much money. The Yogi Berra Museum was dropped from the program as well due to low usage.

The Museum Pass Program now consists of seventeen “2Fer Museums” and six “Premium Museums.” Patrons can check out passes for two museums at once as part of the 2Fer program, while Premium passes may not be combined with other passes.

For a complete listing of all museums, visit www.wmlnj.org and click on the Friends tab.

Library Welcomes three new Board Members...Past President Jim Capone swears in, from left, Mark LoGrippo, Mayor’s Alternate; Tara Oporto, Superintendent’s Alternate; and Paul Roth.
THE FOUNDER
March 6
Starring Michael Keaton as businessman Ray Kroc, the film portrays his creation of the McDonald's fast-food restaurant chain.

THE RED BARON
March 13
Learn about the life of World War I fighter ace Manfred Von Richthofen, nicknamed the Red Baron by friend and foe alike.

ALTHEA
March 20
Celebrate the life of Althea Gibson, one of the first Black athletes to cross the color line of international tennis.

CLASSIC MOVIE WEEK:
“RADIO DAYS”
March 27
Starring Woody Allen and Mia Farrow.

CHURCHILL
April 3
A 2017 British historical film portrays Winston Churchill in June 1944 - especially in the hours leading up to D-Day.

NO TGIF APRIL 10- GOOD FRIDAY
NO TGIF- APRIL 17
NO TGIF APRIL 24 – FRIENDS BOOK SALE
NO TGIF MAY 1 – FRIENDS BOOK SALE

RAUL
WORLD’S A STAGE
May 8

JULIA: THE STAGE

Examine the life and career of the entertainer, Raul Julia.

THE FRONT RUNNER
May 15
Follow the rise of American Senator Gary Hart, a Democratic presidential candidate in 1988, and his subsequent fall from grace when media reports brought to light his extramarital affair.

IRELAND’S WILD COAST
May 22
Enjoy a journey along one of the most spectacular coastlines in the world.

CLASSIC MOVIE WEEK:
“THEIR FINEST”
May 29
Starring Sam Claflin and Bill Nighy.
The Friends of Westfield Memorial Library Essay Contest has been established to encourage young people to think creatively about the impact of the library on their lives. As part of the year-long celebration of Westfield 300, the Friends would like to highlight the vital influence our dynamic, thriving library has had on our youth. This contest is open to students in grade 8 at Edison Intermediate and Roosevelt Intermediate Schools.

Entrants should write about one or two experiences they have had at the Westfield Memorial Library that made the library special to them. What happened and why did they feel the way they did? Some possibilities to consider: a book that they loved (or hated), a library event that opened their eyes, a person at the library who helped them understand something new. Other ideas are welcome, and entrants can write an essay or a story.

Requirements:
- Submissions should be from 350 to 500 words long and typed
- Work should be submitted online to www.fwmlnj.org
- Include: contact information, school attended, Language Arts teacher, title and word count

Essays/Stories will be judged on the following criteria:
- Relevance to the topic and presented in an articulate, clear and well-organized manner
- Originality of ideas presented
- Spelling, grammar, punctuation

All essays must be submitted by Friday, April 3, 2020. The author of the winning essay from each school will be awarded a $100 U.S. Bond and a book of his or her choice.

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Expand Your Mind through the
13th Annual Hale Speaker Series
Made possible by grants from The Anne and Lee Hale Fund and The Thomas Glasser Foundation
Hosted by the Friends of the Westfield Memorial Library
All programs are held in the Library Meeting Room at 7:00 pm

Robert Wendel: Westfield’s Revolutionary War Homes– Then & Now
Wednesday, March 18

Judge John M. Boyle: Looking Back
Wednesday, May 13

Ricardo Roig: Local Color
Wednesday, October 7

Aimee Nuzzo: Shedding the Spotlight
Wednesday, November 4

Check the website for more information and to register

An eye-opening history of Alice Paul, a Quaker, NJ native, and key strategist in the rousing fight for women’s right to vote. Fearless and inventive, she led protests and marches against President Woodrow Wilson, who opposed the 19th Amendment.
Programs for Adults

Linda Ipanema Presents
“The Sounds of Mardi Gras” on Wed., March 4 at 7:00 pm

Known as “The Queen of Dixieland”, Linda & the Dixie Cats will present their warm blend of New Orleans classics, swing, and Tin Pan Alley tunes.

She will sing, dance, and wisecrack her way into your heart, belting out such tunes as “Ain't She Sweet,” “Way Down Yonder in New Orleans,” and “When the Saints Go Marching In.” Considered one of the foremost singers of Dixieland jazz, Linda has been in show business most of her life.

Backyard Gardening Basics
With Karen Camden
Sat., March 7, 1:00 to 3:00 pm

Love to see the neighbors’ yards, tour formal gardens, and enjoy landscaper’s displays? Ever wonder if you could create such beauty in your own backyard, on your patio or deck? Come grow with us as you learn the basics of gardening—soils, tools, and choosing the right plants. Understand what it takes to design, plan and execute, then watch as your dreams grow true. A popular presenter at the library, Karen is also an avid gardener!

“Someone Must Wash the Dishes:
An Anti-Suffrage Satire”**
Wednesday, Mar 11 at 7:00 pm
(snow date April 18)  **Presented by the NJ Council for the Humanities

Many women fought against getting the vote in the early 1900s, but none with more charm, prettier clothes—and less logic—than the fictional speaker in this satiric monologue, written by pro-suffragist Marie Jenney Howe, back in 1912. “Woman suffrage is the reform against nature,” declares Howe’s unlikely, but irresistibly likeable, heroine. After the show, Michele puts her zany arguments in historical context.

Michele LaRue, Historical Presenter
Come Hear Ken Lelen in Concert: “Speak Easy Jazz” on Sat., March 14 at 2:00 pm

Vocalist and vintage guitarist Ken Lelen will play the hot sweet jazz that was found on the juke boxes, phonographs, radios and bandstands of the 1920s by some of the early progenitors of jazz: Louis Armstrong, Isham Jones, Hoagy Carmichael, Bessie Smith and Fats Waller. We liked him so much we had to have him back to the library!

Cracked Walnuts Performs “The Celtic Voyage”
Wednesday, March 25 at 7:00 pm

Celebrate St. Patrick's Day with a Celtic Voyage performed by the musical duo Cracked Walnuts. The Celtic Voyage features traditional Irish and Scottish songs, tunes and sea shanties. Their instruments include banjo, guitar, penny whistle, tambourine, various shakers and rattles, and concertina. Jan and Jeff Ausfahl worked behind the scenes of Broadway and film musicals in New York City. Then they moved to the hills of Pennsylvania where Jeff replaced his fancy jazz guitar with a banjo, and Jan picked up the washboard and penny whistle.

Silvertones Flute Choir
Sat., March 28 at 2:00 pm

The Silvertones is one of New Jersey’s finest flute ensembles. The group plays a diverse repertoire of music for flutes of all sizes. You'll hear folk songs, musical medleys, and chamber pieces composed for listeners of all ages. Pieces include “Singin' in the Rain,” and a medley where you'll recognize “Edelweiss,” “Do-Re-Mi,” and more. This group of women – doctors, teachers and public servants by day – includes one of our Youth Services Librarians! Hear the piccolo, C flute, alto flute, bass flute and contrabass.
More Programs for Adults

Adult Craft Program: Flower Ornament**
Tuesday, March 31 from 1:30 to 3:00 pm
** This program is currently open to Westfield resident cardholders only.

Spring is coming and we are going to get ready by making springtime sunflower ball ornaments. These cheery ornaments can be placed anywhere in your home to provide a bit of sunshine. No crafting experience is required and all materials will be supplied.

Be Electrified by the Music of Electric Violinist Deni Bonet
Tuesday, March 31 at 7:00 pm

This electric violinist will perform familiar tunes with a unique twist, as well as her own songs. Her music ranges from rock to blues to ballads, all of it engaging. Deni has performed at some of the most prestigious festivals, performing arts centers, and summer concert series throughout the US and around the world, including a recent sold-out concert at the legendary Carnegie Hall, concerts on the Great Wall of China, and at the White House for President Barack Obama. She has toured and recorded with many notable performers including Cyndi Lauper, R.E.M. and Sarah McLachlan.

"From Italy with Love"
Tenor Sal Chiarelli
Wed., April 1 at 7:00 pm

Let Sal Chiarelli’s voice transport you to the Italian Riviera! He will charm and delight with classical, traditional, and popular songs, as well as love ballads straight from Italy!

A native of New York City, Sal was vocally trained in both Italy and New York City for the opera. He has been heard on television and radio, as well as on the operatic stages of North America and Europe. Sal also performs at concert halls, theaters, and corporate events.
Even More Programs for Adults

You will Know and Love the Music of the Notables!
Saturday, April 4 at 2:00 pm

A special and unique afternoon of music! This dynamic singing group will entertain with a vast repertoire of musical genres including Broadway, pop, gospel, and blues, and a variety of composers, including memorable tunes from Irving Berlin, Cole Porter, Fats Waller and Gershwin. They'll even throw in hits from the Beatles and The Mamas and The Papas!

So be ready for everything from “It don't Mean a Thing” to “California Dreamin’.” Notables was formed in 2004 by Ellen M. Heffes, and as a 501c (3) non-profit organization, their goal is to raise scholarship money for vocal music students.

Learn about Tea Rooms and Taverns in New Jersey
on Thursday, April 16 at 7:00 pm

Over the years women have sipped tea and men have frequented taverns for a beer or two. Learn about the development and importance of tearooms, taverns, hotels, restaurants and other social establishments in New Jersey. You’ll also find out about the social atmosphere in these various establishments from the early Colonial Era to Modern Times.

Documentary Film Screening: Before the Flood
Saturday, April 18, 1:00 to 2:45 pm

Everyone will learn something from this 2016 award-winning film about climate change from Leonardo DiCaprio and Fisher Stevens. Follow DiCaprio on a three-year journey in his capacity as United Nations Messenger of Peace documenting the impact of climate change. Sincere and urgent in its message, this film features stunning images and informative interviews.
**Even More Programs for Adults**

**Trivia Night for Teens and Adults**
**Continues on Tuesdays,**
**May 5, August 4 & November 10 at 7:00 pm**

Bring your teammates, team up with others, or be a one person outfit! There is a maximum of 4 people per team. The winning team gets a prize! The questions are designed to be accessible to a large range of ages and interests. Join us, it’s fun!

**Everyone ages 16 and over is welcome to play.**

Alisa Dupuy presents
“**The Roaring Twenties**” on
**Wednesday, May 6 at 7:00 pm**

Please join us as we travel back in time to the Jazz Age, the Roaring Twenties! Great Gatsby, flappers, prohibition and all the rest. We will hear flapper “Alice Dupree” talk about her life after the Great War. Have fun learning all the crazy things about the 1920s as we enter into a new century of the ‘20s. This show is the bees knees!

**The Weiss Family Jazz Series Continues with the Andy Rothstein Band**
**on Saturday, May 9 at 2:00 pm**

**The Weiss Family Jazz Series was established with a bequest to the Westfield Memorial Library Foundation and the Westfield Memorial Library in memory of longtime library patrons and jazz lovers, Joseph and Dorothy Weiss.**

Blend the styles of Mike Stern, Pat Martino and Stevie Ray Vaughan, plus throw in a little Andy Summers and U2's "The Edge" for good measure, and you just might end up with a rather unique contemporary jazz guitarist! Andy Rothstein has played guitar since the age of 13, and studied with such jazz greats as Steve Khan, Kevin Eubanks, Vinnie Zummo and Ted Dunbar. His CD “Wit of the Staircase” fuses straight ahead bebop with funk and rock stylings, and features a dynamic lineup of nine musicians. **Make sure you sign up and arrive by 1:50 pm to hold your place.**
Adult Craft Program: Silk Scarf Painting** Tues., May 12 from 1:30-3:30 pm

** This program is currently open to Westfield resident cardholders only. After May 5, MURAL cardholders may sign up, SPACE PERMITTING.

Hand painted silk scarves can be fun and easy to do. Results are amazingly beautiful. In this class you will be given a white silk scarf and taught how to transform it into a gorgeous one-of-a-kind work of art. No painting or art skills required!

Stay Hydrated with Fruit, Veggie and Smoothie Recipes from Registered Dietitian Danielle D'Elisiis**

Wednesday, May 13 from 1:00 to 2:30 pm

**Registration will be limited to twelve participants, starting with Westfield resident cardholders only. After May 6, MURAL cardholders may sign up, SPACE PERMITTING.

With summer just around the corner, staying hydrated is key! Registered Dietitian Danielle D’Elisiis will focus on ways we can stay hydrated simply from the foods we eat. Learn how to make delicious hydrating recipes and taste them for yourself!

As Registered Dietitian at ShopRite of Garwood, Danielle provides many services to the local community, such as store tours, one-on-one nutrition counseling sessions and food demos. Her goal is to help raise health awareness in the community, and emphasize the importance of eating nutritiously and leading a healthy lifestyle.

Don’t Miss Vocalist Jean Avery!

Thursday, May 14 at 7:00 pm

Westfield resident Jean Avery has an extensive career in theatre, commercials and television. Born in Georgia, she began singing gospel at three years old at the First Baptist Church. Her love of blues, jazz, soul, gospel and The Great American Songbook has taken Jean through every possible avenue of performance imaginable. Her show is a wonderful cabaret style mix of blues, jazz, standards, and pop hits from the past 100 years.
Dr. Paul Christiansen presents Beethoven's Symphony No. 3 in E-flat Major, Op. 55 ('Eroica') on Thursday, May 21 at 7:00 pm

In commemoration of the 250th anniversary of Ludvig van Beethoven's birth, Dr. Paul Christiansen, Associate Professor of Music at Seton Hall University, will present a captivating lecture on Beethoven's Symphony No. 3 in E-flat Major, Op. 55 ('Eroica'), the work that ushered in the Romantic Era in Western music history.

In addition to providing a general discussion of how the nearly-deaf Beethoven wrote this revolutionary work, Professor Christiansen will also talk about how he originally dedicated the work to Napoleon Bonaparte, only to rescind the dedication once Napoleon's imperial ambitions became obvious.

Amazing Animal Adaptations
Be amazed and entertained as you are introduced to several animals native to our area. Presented by the Pocono Wildlife Rehabilitation & Education Center.
Date: Saturday, March 7
Time: 10:30-11:30 am
Ages: 4 years and up
Tickets required for all children and adults attending the program. Tickets will be available the morning of the program at the Youth Services Desk.

SciSencetellers: Aliens From Space
During a midnight meteor shower, something mysterious falls toward Earth - but it's not a shooting star. Two curious kids venture into the forest to investigate and find themselves mixed up with a family of visitors from another planet. Pursued by a crazy space scientist, they must risk everything to rescue the aliens and get them back to their spaceship before it's too late!
Date: Saturday, March 14
Time: 10:30-11:30 am
Ages: 4 years and up
Tickets required for all children and adults attending the program. Tickets will be available the morning of the program at the Youth Services Desk.

Pajama Party Sing-Along with Yosi
Award-winning children's recording artist and entertainer Yosi rocks the house with a humorous and interactive Pajama Party! Sure it's the morning, but you can come in your pajamas and have a blast!
Date: Saturday, March 21
Time: 10:30 - 11:30 am
Ages: 4 years and up
Tickets required for all children and adults attending the program. Tickets will be available the morning of the program at the Youth Services Desk.
Yoga Storytime
Yoga comes to life as we read simple stories and act them out in Yoga poses. Hop like a frog, slither like a snake, and roar like a lion!
Dates: Mondays, March 2, 16, 23, and 30 (Note: no session on March 9)
Time: 10:00 - 10:30 am
Ages: 2 - 5 years old with parent or caregiver
Required online registration begins February 15th. Please use child’s library card to register.
Child must register for EACH session they are attending.

Playgroup for Babies
Enjoy a playspace and reading nook as you and your little one(s) enjoy the chance to get together! Moms, dads, caregivers and babies 0-23 months are invited to socialize and interact in our program room. We’ll provide playmats, board books and simple toys.
Dates: Fridays, March 6, 13, 20, 27, April 3, May 8, 15, 22
Time: 10:00 - 10:45 am
Ages: 0-23 months
Parent or caregiver attends with child.
No pre-registration required.
Please sign in at the Youth Services desk when you arrive.
Child must have a full-service Westfield library card in his/her own name.

Paws to Read
Our friendly library dogs love to be read to ... by youngsters who need practice reading aloud to loving, non-judgmental ears.
Dates and Times (all days are Saturdays):
March 7th: 2:00 - 3:00 pm
April 18th: 10:00 - 11:00 am
May 16th: 10:00 - 11:00 am
Please note, program is intended for children developing their reading skills. No pre-registration required.
Sign in when you arrive at the Youth Services desk to be assigned a ten-minute reading slot. Depending on dog availability and turnout, space may be limited.
Arrive early to be guaranteed a slot.
Child must have a full-service Westfield library card in his/her own name.

3’s on Thursday Storytime
Stories, songs, rhymes and more.
Dates: Thursdays, March 12 - April 16
Time: 10:30 - 11:00 am
Age: 3 years old
Parent or caregiver attends with child.
No pre-registration required. Please sign in at the Youth Services desk when you arrive.
Child must be the correct age and must have a full-service Westfield library card in his/her own name.

STORYTIMES & PROGRAMS SPRING 2020
For the enjoyment of all, children MUST be the correct age for the story time program they attend and have a full-service Westfield Library card in their name. If you have any questions, please ask a Youth Services Librarian.
STORYTIMES & PROGRAMS SPRING 2020 CONTINUED

For the enjoyment of all, children MUST be the correct age for the story time program they attend and have a full-service Westfield Library card in their own name.

**Tween Craft Club**
Join Miss Carey for an evening of crafting! Snacks and supplies provided, fun guaranteed!
**Dates:** Mondays, March 16, April 13, May 11
**Time:** 7:00 to 8:00 pm
**Age:** 9-12 years old
**Required online registration begins March 1st. Please use child’s library card to register.
Child must register for EACH session they are attending.

**Evening LEGO Club**
Use your imagination to create wonderful LEGO structures!
**Dates:** Tuesdays, March 17, April 14, May 12
**Time:** 6:30-7:15 pm
**Ages:** 5 years old and up
**Parents/guardians remain in the library during program.**
No pre-registration required.
Please sign in at the Youth Services desk when you arrive.
**Child must have a full-service Westfield library card in his/her own name.**

**Makers Day 2020!**
Join us for some family fun on NJ Makers Day 2020!
Drop in to the meeting room any time from 1:00 to 3:00 pm for a variety of crafts and STEM activities.
Geared towards ages 4 and up.
**Date:** Saturday, March 21
**Time:** 1:00 – 3:00 pm
**Age:** 4 years & up
**No pre-registration required.**
Please sign in at the Youth Services desk when you arrive. **Open to full-service Westfield library card holders only.**

**It’s Movie Time!**
Brighten up your Tuesday with some fun movies! These animated versions of picture books are the perfect way to start your day.
**Dates:** Tuesdays, May 5, 12, 26
**Time:** 10:30 - 11:00 am
**All ages welcome with parent or caregiver**
Parent or caregiver attends with child.  
No pre-registration required.
Please sign in at the Youth Services desk when you arrive.  
**Child must have a full-service Westfield library card in his/her own name.**

**Latin Dance Fun with Miss Andrea**
This upbeat, lively class is designed specifically for children to help improve motor coordination and listening skills.
Join Miss Andrea for this high-energy dance activity featuring Latin music. Wear comfortable clothes and sneakers.
**Dates:** Thursdays, May 7, 14, 21, 28
**Time:** 10:00-10:30 am
**Age:** 2-5 years old
Parent or caregiver attends with child.
No pre-registration required.
Please sign in at the Youth Services desk when you arrive.
**Child must be ages 2 to 5 and have a full-service Westfield library card in his/her own name.**