Always something new at the Library . . .

New mobile hotspots give Westfield patrons an Internet-on-the-Go experience

The Westfield Memorial Library is pleased to announce that the Library patrons can now borrow mobile hotspots.

A mobile hotspot taps into a cellular network, just like a smart phone does, and then wirelessly shares its data connection with other nearby (within 30 feet or so) Wi-Fi-enabled devices, such as a smart phone, laptop or tablet.

A hotspot is not meant to replace home service but is intended to provide access out of the house or during a temporary outage.

“We are pleased to offer Internet-on-the-Go,” said Library Director Phil Israel. “If you’re preparing for a vacation, business trip or working in an area without reliable Wi-Fi Internet access, a hotspot is the perfect solution.”

Hotspots, available only to Full-Service Westfield Memorial Library cardholders, provide unlimited data and can be checked out for 21 days. There is no international service.

Stop by the Circulation Desk to borrow one.

There’s more that’s new at the Library . . .

Two new children’s databases purchased, thanks to a grant from Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders

BookFlix pairs classic stories with books and videos, and PebbleGo Biographies offers biographies for pre-K to grade 3. Find them on our website under the tab for KIDS.
Studying and Entertainment at the Library

It's that time of year again ...and the Library is here to help!

Teen Study Hall Nights for Mid-term Exams

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Note:
Extended Hours and Extra Space for Three Nights!

Sorry-no food deliveries to the Library

The Fall Foreign Film Festival Continues with *Mia Madre*
Language: Italian  Running Time  107 minutes
Monday, December 18 at 2:00 and 6:30 pm

Acclaimed Italian auteur Nanni Moretti finds comedy and pathos in the story of Margherita, a harried film director (Margherita Buy, *A Five Star Life*) trying to juggle the demands of her latest movie and a personal life in crisis.

The star of her film, a charming but hammy American actor (John Turturro) imported for the production, initially presents nothing but headaches and her crew is close to mutiny. Away from the shoot, Margherita tries to hold her life together as her beloved mother’s illness progresses, and her teenage daughter grows ever more distant.

Ecumenical Jury Prize Winner of the 2015 Cannes Film Festival.
Children’s and Teens’ Book Sale Generates over $3,400

The 7th Annual Children’s and Teens’ book sale hosted by the Friends of the Westfield Memorial Library was a big hit this year. The sale generated over $3,400, all of which will go towards funding programs at the Library. The community donated a wonderful selection of books and media, which created a great place for readers to shop.

The sale included two new features this year, Story Corner and an award section. During Story Corner, librarians and volunteers read to children, providing parents and guardians some time to shop at their leisure. Newbery, Caldecott and other award winners were located together, making it easy to find these treasured books.

The Friends would like to thank the 40 volunteers who made the book sale happen. They greatly appreciate the volunteers’ efforts and look forward to their renewed dedication and energy for the giant spring book sale in April 2018.

A special thank you goes out to the Board of Education and the Westfield Memorial Library for their logistical support.

For more information on the Friends of the Westfield Memorial Library, or to volunteer during the spring book sale, please contact the Friends at WMLvolunteers@gmail.com.

Come to the first meeting of The Friends Book Club 2018
Request copies of the book at the Circulation Desk.

The Storied Life of A.J. Fikry by Gabrielle Zevin

Wednesday, January 17, 2018
2:00 pm in the Meeting Room
All are Welcome

The Friends Celebrate Black History Month with Lisa Fleming
“Black History: The Musical” on Wednesday, February 7 at 7:00 pm
(Snow date: Wednesday, February 28)

Acclaimed and popular actress and scriptwriter Lisa Fleming returns for our annual production! In the spirit of “Hamilton, The Musical,” this one-woman performance will showcase American black history and the history of black music in a collaboration of singing, rapping, and acting.

You must sign up for this popular program!

Join the Friends! Pick up an application at the Circulation Desk or visit www.wmlnj.org.
TGIF! Fridays: An Exciting Series of Programs for Adults
Movies, Music and More—All Free
Light refreshments served. All programs begin at 1:30 p.m.
A fun way to socialize and make new friends.
No registration necessary. For further information about TGIF programs,
please call the Reference Department at 908.789.4090, X 7950.

FINDING NEVERLAND
December 1
Learn the story behind the creation of Peter Pan.

GEORGE BALANCHINE’S
“THE NUTCRACKER”
December 8
Just in time for the holidays! Enjoy the famous ballet.

CLASSIC MOVIE WEEK:
“SCROOGE”
December 15
The holiday classic starring Albert Finney.

NO TGIF DECEMBER 22 - MERRY CHRISTMAS

NO TGIF DECEMBER 29 - HAPPY NEW YEAR

OCTOBER SKY
January 5
The true story of Homer Hickam, a coal miner's son who was inspired by the first Sputnik launch to take up rocketry and become a driving force in the space program.

HITCHCOCK
January 12
Explore the relationship between Alfred Hitchcock and his wife during the filming of Psycho.

PIPPIN
January 19
Experience the Tony-award winning musical.

CLASSIC MOVIE WEEK
January 26
“LADIES IN LAVENDER”
Starring Judi Dench and Maggie Smith.

JOHN MUIR IN THE NEW WORLD
February 2
Be inspired by the story of John Muir, one of the first nature preservationists in American history.

THE DUCHESS
February 9
A chronicle of the life of 18th century aristocrat Georgiana, Duchess of Devonshire, who was reviled for her extravagant political and personal life. Starring Kiera Knightly.

MARILYN MONROE:
BEYOND THE LEGEND
February 16
An in-depth look at the life and death of Hollywood’s love goddess.

CLASSIC MOVIE WEEK:
“ROBOT & FRANK”
February 23
Starring Frank Langella.
Adult Programs for the Winter

Total Body Renew Yoga
with Lorraine Harwelik
Thursday, November 30,
Thursday December 7 and
Thursday, December 14 at 7:00 pm

Are you stiff? Sore? Grumpy? Do your joints feel like they need a grease job? Did you know that you can upgrade your body's strength, flexibility, and agility? Increase efficiency and overall comfort level through a guided tour of Total Body Renew Yoga!

This system of yoga movements is designed to help unlock your movement and comfort potential by safely warming and releasing muscle fibers and increasing your joints' range of motion.

Lorraine M. Harwelik is a registered yoga teacher, certified herbalist, and licensed New Jersey educator. She has presented many well attended programs at the library, including Yoga for Gardeners and the Health Benefits of Herbs. You can take one class or all three, but classes are small, so make sure you sign up.

Join us for a Flute and Guitar Duo
on Wednesday, December 13 at 7:00 pm

In this delightful musical program, accomplished flutist Marjorie Koharski and guitarist Keith Calmes will perform classical and popular tunes. They'll play a range of favorites for everyone to enjoy, including “The Nutcracker Suite,” “Brazilian Sleigh bells,” “My Dreydl,” “Home for the Holidays,” “Rudolph,” The Carpenters' “Merry Christmas, Darling,” and “Hanukkah.”

Ms. Koharski is a flutist and piccoloist with the Monmouth Symphony Orchestra, flutist with the Elysion Winds Quintet, a former faculty member of the Monmouth Conservatory of Music, a member of the New York Flute Club and the New Jersey Flute Society.

Mr. Calmes earned degrees in Classic Guitar Performance from California State University, Northridge, University of Southern California and the Juilliard School. He debuted at Carnegie Recital Hall as Winner of the Artists International Competition. He teaches at Wall High School.
More Adult Programs for the Winter

Join us as we make T-shirt scarves. T-shirt scarves are scarves that are made from colorful t-shirts which are 100% cotton. It takes just one shirt to make your own scarf. Both fashionable and warm, these scarves are fun to create.

Feel free to bring your own 100% cotton T-shirts in your favorite colors.

Librarian Marsha Bryant has led crafting programs in many other libraries throughout her career. She has helped people learn every kind of crafting program. Marsha started as a novice, and loves teaching people who are also new at crafting.

Ellen LaFurn and her musicians will perform the Great American Songbook with a jazzy stroll through classic music. She'll sing memorable tunes such as "Almost Like Being in Love," "It was a Very Good Year," "When Sunny Gets Blue," and "It's Only a Paper Moon." She will be joined by Vic Cenicola on guitar and Ron Naspo on bass.

After a brief interlude, she is back to her first love—music performance. One musical reviewer stated, "Leading with her offbeat but captivating voice, LaFurn tackles the great American songbook." In her music you will hear the passion and excitement of a young person together with the experience of a life well lived.

Ellen LaFurn started singing professionally at the age of 17 with a “show group” called Chang Lee and the Zaniacs. She then joined Jerry Mitchell and the Impacts working and learning from many jazz greats; including Roland Hanna, Gus Johnson, and Danny Gibson.

Next came the Joe Zarr trio with the late Al Ross on organ and Warren Battiste on guitar. She recorded on an album entitled “Danny & Friends” and became the vocalist with the Bob Ackerman Group—through whom she met her late husband, Gerry LaFurn.

Chase Away the Winter Blues with an Afternoon of Music!

Listen to Ellen LaFurn on Saturday, January 20 at 2:00 pm

Learn how to make a scarf from a T-Shirt

Wednesday January 10

2:00 to 3:30 pm
Even More Adult Programs for the Winter

Learn All About Downloading
RBDigital, Freading, and Ebsco
on Tuesday, January 30 at 2:00 to 3:30 pm
and
ELibraryNJ (Overdrive) and Hoopla
on Tuesday, February 13 at 2:00 to 3:30 pm

Our library's collection goes beyond print and what you check out in the library! We have a wonderful collection of downloadable books, audiobooks, magazines, music, and movies! Learn all about our different formats and how to download them to your devices. The classes cover:
- RBDigital--ebooks, e-audiobooks, magazines
- Freading--ebooks
- Ebsco--ebooks
- ELibraryNJ (Overdrive)--ebooks, audiobooks
- Hoopla--ebooks, e-audiobooks, music, movies.

Join us for these informative workshops! You MUST bring your own device and library card.

Registration for each workshop is limited to 6. Please sign up early to get a spot.

The Weiss Family Jazz Series for 2018 Opens with
The Dave Leonhardt Trio
on Saturday, February 3 at 2:00 pm

Come hear internationally acclaimed jazz pianist and composer David Leonhardt and The David Leonhardt Jazz Trio in a concert of songs you know and love. The group has appeared at the Arts Festival of Shenzen in China, Winnipeg Jazz Festival, French Maison de Dance in Lyon France, as well as festivals and concerts throughout the United States, including the Sweet Sounds Downtown Jazz Festival in Westfield. The ensemble of piano, bass, and drums relies heavily on creative improvisation playing American Song Book standards by composers like Gershwin and Cole Porter, and pianist David Leonhardt’s original compositions. Always lyrical and creative, this veteran performer will embark on a musical journey that enraptures and excites. Come along for the ride! Be sure to sign up-all of our jazz programs fill the house to capacity!
Zumba Gold--Zumba for Adults!  
**Wednesday February 7, 14, 21 and 28 at 10:00 am**

This popular dance-party exercise comes to the library in a form that is designed for adults and seniors, with low-key and easy-to-follow steps that help your balance and coordination. A forty-five minute class, this low-intensity, modified version of Zumba keeps all the fun!

Join certified Zumba instructor Andrea Lawson as she takes everyone through the movements of Zumba to the great Latin sounds of salsa and merengue. Wear comfortable clothes and sneakers.

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**Chill with the FrostKings on Saturday, February 17 at 2:00 pm**

Join us for some bluesy music on a chilly afternoon! The FrostKings are a four piece R&B, swing, and blues band originating from the North Jersey area. The FrostKings have played many festivals and venues over the years. Equally at home playing swinging shuffles, slow blues or full-tilt boogies, their repertoire ranges from the West Coast swing stylings of Louis Jordan and T-Bone Walker, to the classic blues of Luther “Guitar Jr.” Johnson, B.B. King, and Muddy Waters, to the R&B of Jackie Brenston and Otis Redding. Once you hear their Icey-Cold tones, you will be a swing-blues fan!

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**Learn How to Use Excel for Finances Saturday, February 10 at 2:00 to 4:00 pm**

Microsoft Excel software is a seriously powerful and complex financial spreadsheet tool. Popular instructor Karen Camden will add to your basic working knowledge by identifying and demonstrating Formulas, Functions, Auto Features, and Templates along with shortcuts and helpful tips designed to increase your knowledge.

**Prerequisites: keyboarding skills and a minimum of level - 1 Basic Excel.**

Bring your own laptop if you would like.

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**Ulysses S. Grant: “Friendship with the President” by Historical Presenter Ken Serfass Wednesday, February 21 at 7:00 pm**

Ken Serfass portrays Ulysses S. Grant with a 90 minute lecture/question and answer session, sharing stories about his initial meeting with Lincoln, the letters during the war, and insight into the circumstance that wove these lives together. Ken travels the country lecturing on various topics regarding Grant’s life and times. In celebration of President’s Day – February 19, 2018, he will be lecturing at the Grant National Memorial in New York.
**Mammal Mania**
Mammals from around the world will be featured, along with information on their behavior, habitats, survival strategies and their often humorous personalities. A few of the animals we will meet are the Wallaby, Rabbit, Guinea Pig, and the Patagonian Cavy. Presented by Eyes of the Wild.

- **Date:** Saturday, January 6
- **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.

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**Fuzzy and Scaly**
Be amazed and entertained as you are introduced to several animals from fuzzy creatures to scaly reptiles. Presented by the Pocono Wildlife Rehabilitation and Education Center.

- **Date:** Saturday, January 27
- **Time:** 10:30–11:30 am
- **Age:** 3 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.**

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**The Three Bears**
Four stories and three bears are featured in this collection of bear tales - Unbearably fun! Presented by Tuckers' Tales Puppet Theatre.

- **Date:** Saturday, January 20
- **Time:** 10:30–11:30 am
- **Age:** 3 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.

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**Sciencetellers: Pirates Lost at Sea**
Ahoy! Set sail with us on a thrilling action-packed adventure about a crew of quirky pirates marooned on a desert island. They must rescue their salty captain and find a way to build a new ship before all hope is lost at sea! Throughout the story, volunteers from the audience will help us explore the incredible science behind clouds, combustion, air pressure and more!

- **Date:** Saturday, February 3
- **Time:** 10:30–11:30 am
- **Age:** 4 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.**

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**Tropical Rainforest**
The Tropical Rainforest Ecosystem is perhaps THE most interesting on Earth. These forests are filled with amazing animal species using adaptations to survive. Meet live toads, lizards, and snakes as you learn about the fascinating world they inhabit. Presented by Snakes-n-Scales.

- **Date:** Saturday, February 10
- **Time:** 10:30–11:30 am
- **Age:** 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.**
Friends of the Library Programs for Children Continued
Winter 2017-2018

For the enjoyment of all, children MUST be the correct age for any program they attend and have a full-service Westfield Library card in their name. To register, visit our website, www.wmlnj.org, then click on Calendar. Any questions, please ask a Youth Services Librarian.

Thank you to the Friends of the Library for these programs!

A Night of Astronomy
Join Amateur Astronomers Inc., from the Sperry Observatory, for a fascinating talk about the night sky, followed by a chance to view the sky through telescopes provided by the group, weather permitting.
Date: Tuesday, February 20
Time: 7:00-8:30 pm
Age: 5 years and up (and parents)
Open to Full-Service Westfield Library card holders only.
Registration required for ALL children/adults attending the program.
Use library card number to register each person.
Online Registration Begins on January 1, 2018.

Mike Rose Magic Show: Winter Wonders
Mike’s "Winter Wonders Magic Show" is completely themed around snow, cold, and winter activities! Kids will experience magic that is crisp, refreshing and just plain cool! Children don’t just sit and watch the program; they become part of the show.
Date: Saturday, February 24
Time: 10:30-11:30 am
Age: 4 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.

Jester Jim
With nothing more than a trunk full of props, Jester Jim will have you cracking up in your seat! Juggling, balancing, beat-boxing, and comedy - this show is packed with fun and excitement.
Date: Saturday, March 3
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.

Friends Around the World Concert by Yosi
Yosi introduces your child to a multicultural, interactive, and educational concert filled with songs, humor, dances, and musical instruments from around the world!
Date: Tuesday, March 6
Time: 7:00 – 8:00 pm
Ages: 3 years and up
Tickets required for all children and adults attending the program
Tickets will be available the evening of the program at the Youth Services Desk.

Dinoman
Dinosaur tracks lead right to the library! Have no fear, Dinoman is here! With magic, merry mayhem and magnificent props, the audience is taken on a trip throughout the Mesozoic era. Featuring Bob Lisaius & Giant Blow-Up Dinosaurs!
Date: Saturday, March 10
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.
Move 'n Groove!

Get up and move with your adult! An action-packed class filled with music and interactive dance experiences! Move and groove to the rhythms that get you rockin' with Gail Brickman of Rhythm Revolution.

Dates: Tuesdays, Nov. 28, Dec. 5, 12, 19
Time: 9:45 - 10:15 am
Age: 2-5 years old with caregiver
Parent or caregiver attends with child.
No pre-registration required. Please sign in at the Youth Services desk when you arrive.

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: Saturdays, Dec. 2, Jan. 13, Feb. 24**
Time: 10:00 - 11:00 am for Dec. & Jan.
**Special time for February 24 is 2:00-3:00 pm
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 for a 10-minute slot.
Parents/guardians remain in the library during program.
No Pre-registration required. Please sign in at the Youth Services desk when you arrive.

Chess Club for Kids

Chess sets are available for kids to play each other. Bring a friend or make a new one!

Dates: Fridays, Dec. 1, Jan. 5, Feb. 2
Time: 3:45 - 4:30 pm
There is no age requirement, but children must already know how the chess pieces move.
No pre-registration required. Please sign in at the Youth Services desk when you arrive.

Playgroup for Babies and Toddlers

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, Dec. 1, 8, 15, and Jan. 19 - Feb. 23
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.

Evening LEGO Club

Use your imagination to create wonderful LEGO structures!

Dates: Tuesdays, Dec. 5, Feb. 13, Mar. 13, Apr. 10
Time: 6:30-7:15 p.m.
Age: 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.
**STORYTIMES & PROGRAMS CONTINUED**
**WINTER 2017-2018**
**WESTFIELD MEMORIAL LIBRARY**

**It's Movie Time!**
Beat the winter chill with some fun movies! These animated versions of picture books are the perfect way to start your day.
**Dates:** Wednesdays, Dec. 6, 13, 20
**Time:** 10:30 – 11:00 am
**All ages welcome**
Parent or caregiver attends with child.
No pre-registration required. Please sign in at the Youth Services desk when you arrive.

**Winter Session - Afternoon LEGO Club**
A special LEGO winter session for January afternoons! Use your imagination to create awesome LEGO structures.
**Dates:** Tuesdays, Jan. 9, 16, 23
**Time:** 3:45 – 4:30
**Age:** 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.

**2's on Tuesday Storytime**
Stories, songs, finger-plays and movement activities.
**Dates:** Tuesdays, Jan. 16 – Feb. 20
**Time:** 10:30 – 10:50 am
**Age:** 2 years old
Parent or caregiver attends with child.
No pre-registration required. Please sign in at the Youth Services desk when you arrive.

**Crafternoon Storytime**
Join us for fun stories and craft activities as we continue our path towards literacy.
**Dates:** Tuesdays, Jan. 16 – Feb. 20
**Time:** 1:00-1:30 pm
**Ages:** 3 ½ to 5 year olds
Child attends program without parent or caregiver.
No pre-registration required. Please sign in at the Youth Services desk when you arrive.

**3’s on Thursday Storytime**
Stories, songs, rhymes and more.
**Dates:** Thursdays, Jan. 18 – Feb. 22
**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.

**Build a BristleBot!**
A BristleBot is a simple and tiny robot that is easy to build and fun to play with, featuring a special vibrating electric motor and toothbrush bristle "feet" to move around. Race them, customize them – BristleBots are great!
**Date:** Monday, January 29, 2018
**Time:** 7:00 – 7:45 pm
For kids in grades 4, 5, and 6
Online registration begins January 1, 2018. Please use child's card to register.