

Take Note!

New & Noteworthy at the Westfield Memorial Library

Fall 2010

Westfield Memorial Library

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Westfield, NJ 07090-2197
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Library Hours

Monday-Thursday
9:30 AM to 9:00 PM
Friday and Saturday
9:30 AM to 5:00 PM
Sunday
1:00 to 5:00 PM (as of September 12)

Library Closings

September 4 - 6 for Labor Day
October 11 for Columbus Day
November 11 for Veterans Day
Closed at 5:00 pm on November 24
Closed on November 25 for Thanksgiving

Board of Trustees Meetings

September 23
October 28
November 18

Founded in 1879, the Westfield Memorial Library strives to provide the Westfield community an environment that promotes a love of reading and ensures free access to ideas and information.

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Check out books, music and videos through our new Digital Download Center and borrow laptops when working in the Library

The technology that's out there keeps changing—and the Library keeps changing with it. We now have a new Digital Download Center for eBooks, audiobooks, music, and movies, available for downloading from our website.

You can check out and download these materials to computers or mobile devices anytime and anywhere, by visiting the library's website www.wmlnj.org and clicking on the image of the Digital Download Center.

Then you can enjoy the titles immediately, or transfer them to a variety of devices, including iPod®, Sony® Reader™, and the Barnes & Noble Nook. Some audio titles can also be burned to CD to listen on-the-go. Titles will automatically expire at the end of the lending period, so there are no late fees.

“With an increasing number of people downloading digital content, the library is happy to offer materials in this form,” said Phil Israel, Library Director. “Our new Digital Download Center is not only free and convenient, it's also an easy one-stop-borrowing-center for everything from books to movies.”

This summer we also acquired six new laptops for you to borrow. Small, convenient and lightweight, they can be used anywhere within the Library, as they connect wirelessly to the Internet.

You can access all of the Microsoft Office programs on the laptop and print out your materials on the Library's printers. You just need a library card to get started.

The laptops are gifts of the Friends of the Westfield Memorial Library.



“I love a good story!” During the summer, the Library ran three “Paws to Read” sessions with 23 children participating. Youngsters who wanted practice reading aloud to a friendly set of ears entertained certified therapy dogs. Here a young reader keeps Shadow on the edge of his mat.



Jen Schulze likes to read the newspaper from cover to cover every day, and she also likes getting absorbed in a hard boiled mystery or a financial biography. It's a miracle that she has even time to read these days, considering her increased responsibilities.

For several years Jen was Head of Reference, and then shortly after she became Head of Circulation in April, the Library combined Head of Circulation and Head of Reference into a new position called Head of Adult Services. Fortunately, Jen had already worked for four years as the Head of Circulation when she first came to Westfield in 2002, so she's got a bit of a jump on her new job.

As Head of Adult Services, Jen supervises the Circulation Desk employees, supervises the adult programs and computer classes, and manages the adult material collections, which includes Playaways, books on CD, and the downloadable audiobook collection that complements the Net Library collection. She also buys the print collection for Reference, fiction (excluding mysteries), and some non-fiction.

"I love purchasing new downloadable titles for the Library," said

Jen. "They enhance our print collection and bring in new library users who don't necessarily come into the library."

Jen also manages the reference librarians, the database collections and the e-book collections, as well as many subscription renewals. When she is deciding what titles to buy, she is guided by sources such as *The New York Times Book Review*, the upcoming books section of Amazon.com, and review journals such as *Kirkus*, *Book List*, *Library Journal* and *Publisher's Weekly*.

Jen, who has a Masters in Library Science from the Rutgers University School of Communication, Information and Library Science and a B.A. in history from Mary Washington College, is optimistic about the role of libraries in today's world of the Internet and Kindles. "I see the library as becoming more and more of a community center," said Jen.

"People come here to get their reference questions answered and their intellectual curiosity satisfied," she continued. "High schoolers come here to meet in study groups, tutors help their students, and moms

and kids meet in the Young Adult section. Books will continue to be our core value, but we offer so many other formats for learning and reading. Libraries have a wonderful ability to adapt and respond to their environments."

And obviously, so does Jen.

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Friday Blood Pressure Clinic

Beginning October 1, on the first Friday of every month from 12:30—1:15 pm. Sponsored by the Robert Wood Johnson Care Center in Garwood.

Friends of the Library and the Westfield Adult School

Have a day out on the Friends with the Museum Pass Program!

Since the introduction of the Museum Pass Program in 2008, over 1,350 patrons have signed out museum passes and as many as 6,000 people have attended the participating museums. Why is there a difference between the number of passes checked out and the number of people admitted? Each of the 18 museums offers admission to a different number of people (from as few as one to as many as six). Almost all museums offer a discount at their museum store and restaurant. Many allow members to bypass the entrance lines and gain admission to special exhibits. Go to www.wmlnj.org, click on the Museum Pass tab and plan your day!

The Friends of the Westfield Memorial Library elect officers for 2010-2011

Co-Presidents: Diane Weinberg and Jody Lipson

Vice President: Regina Dowd

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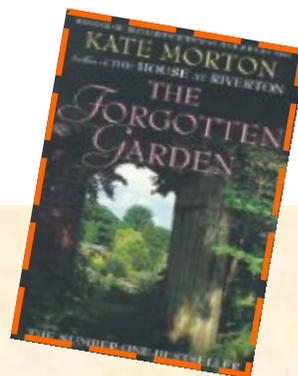
Treasurer: Debbie Bailey

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The first Board meeting for 2010/2011 will be held on Monday, September 13 at 9:30 a.m.

Let's Discuss *The Forgotten Garden* at the Friends Book Discussion Group Wednesday, October 20 2:00 pm

A foundling, an old book of dark fairy tales, a secret garden, an aristocratic family, a love denied, and a mystery. *The Forgotten Garden* is a captivating, atmospheric and compulsively readable story of the past, secrets, family and memory from the international best-selling author Kate Morton.



Look at what the Westfield Adult School is offering!

Monday Afternoons at the Opera

October 18—November 22 1:00-3:00 pm

Computers for Seniors

Tuesday, September 28 2:30-4:00pm

Is Computing for You?

Wednesday, October 13 2:30-4:00pm

Internet Security

Tuesday, October 26 1:00-2:30pm

Call the Adult School at **908.232.4050** for fee and registration information.

Computer Classes Fall 2010

NEED TO LEARN E-MAIL BASICS? BOOK AN APPOINTMENT WITH A LIBRARIAN!!

Beginner

Looking to set up an e-mail account for the first time or brush up on your e-mail skills? Starting September 13, the Reference Staff will begin one-on-one e-mail sessions. Book an appointment with a librarian to learn how to sign up for an e-mail account, send and open e-mails and organize folders. All with a personal touch--a librarian

who will sit down with you one-on-one to develop your confidence in e-mail basics.

Appointments are available Monday through Friday, 9:30 am—4:00 pm. No appointments later than 4:00 p.m. To book, please call the Reference Desk 908.789.4090 x 4130.

Basic Internet

Tuesday, October 5 10—11:30 am

Learn the fundamentals of navigating the internet to find information, learn how to identify and locate popular websites, define basic internet terms and evaluate web sites for reliability.

Participants must be comfortable using the mouse and keyboard during a one-to-one session or in the Basic Internet class.

INTERMEDIATE CLASSES

Fun and practical classes for those with some computer knowledge and skill.

Intermediate

What Do I Read Next: Using the Internet to Find the Perfect Book Tuesday October 19 7:00—8:30 p.m.

Learn about book recommendation resources on the Internet. This class will go over a number of free internet resources such as Good Reads and Library Thing, as well as Library Databases.

Participants must be able to use a computer and go on websites by themselves.

Genealogical Resources Online Wednesday, November 3 10:00—11:30 am

If you have always wanted to research your family tree or find information on your ancestors, this is the class for you. This workshop will focus on

using Heritage Quest Online and Ancestry.com, which are databases accessible at the library.

Consumer Health Care Information on the Internet Wednesday, November 10 7:00—8:30 pm

Have you ever wondered how to find credible health care information online? Let us show you how to access all kinds of good information available on the internet and through databases. A list of resources will be provided.

Must have mouse and typing skills to attend Intermediate level classes.

Sign up for computer classes online at www.wmlnj.org and click on Calendar, or call 908.789.4090 x4140. Don't delay as seating is limited.

Computer Classes continued

ADVANCED CLASSES

Ready to bump up your skills to the next level?

Business Resources on the Internet **Tuesday, September 14 10:00—11:30 am**

Ever wonder how to find a current or historic stock price, company profile information, or the latest investment tips? Ever want to find businesses in certain geographical areas? This demonstration and hands-on class covers the basics of ReferenceUSA, Standard and Poor's, NetAdvantage, Hoover's and Yahoo! Finance, which are comprehensive sources of business and investment information here at the Library.

Advanced Word **Tuesday, September 21 10:00—11:30 am**

This class covers many advanced features of Microsoft Word including copying and pasting, keyboard shortcuts, editing photographs, Clip Art, columns and drop cap. Come learn how to tap Word capabilities you never knew even existed. Note: This will be the first time this course has been taught on the 2007 edition of Word.

Google Docs **Thursday, October 21 7:00-8:30 PM** **or Tuesday, November 23 10:00—11:30 am**

Google Docs is a free, web-based alternative to Microsoft's Office suite. As long as you have an internet connection, Google Docs lets you use products similar to Word, PowerPoint, and Excel. What's more, Google Docs is collaborative, so you can work on projects with friends and colleagues. You must have an email address (need not be

Gmail) to take part in this class and mouse skills. You are welcome to bring your own laptop.

Holiday Shopping on the Internet **Tuesday, November 9 7:00—8:30 pm**

Why fight the crowds on Black Friday? Use the computer to your advantage on Cyber Monday and throughout the holiday shopping season. Learn how to shop safely and securely at your leisure as you search for sales, hidden discounts, and cash rebates. Do you know that Nordstrom, Macys, Lord & Taylor, and even Walmart give rebates if you purchase something through their websites? You won't find that information on their websites; you have to know where to look for it.

NEW!!! Inkscape: Graphic Design **Thursday, December 9 7:00—8:30 pm**

Inkscape is an exciting, free, and fun open-source program for creating logos and editing photographs. With Inkscape you can create all kinds of entertaining graphics, calligraphy, signs, and artwork and have a lot of fun in the process.

This class is for advanced computer users. Mouse skills are REQUIRED. You are welcome to bring your own laptop, but be sure to download Inkscape (inkscape.org) before the class begins. Please inform the instructor, Jeffrey Bennett, at jbennett@wmlnj.org by the day of the class if you will be bringing your own computer.

Homework 911 **Wednesday, October 13 10:00—11:30am or** **Wednesday, October 20 7:00—8:30pm**

Learn about the databases, online encyclopedias and much more that are available through the Westfield library's website to do those research papers and homework assignments. Go beyond Google to get the timely, accurate and reputable information you need! If you have a laptop, feel free to bring it.

For Students

Adult Programs for the Fall



MothUP: Tell Your Story This Evening
Wednesday, September 15 7:00 pm
and December 1 7:00 pm (Topic: Wonder)

What's your story? Come and tell it at this local version of a "Moth" Event. Prepare a five-minute version of a true story based around the theme of "Fall Memories," such as the first day of school or a disastrous hayride.

No cheat sheets or notes allowed. A team of judges chosen from the audience gives a score. Go to the **themoth.org** to get ideas on how this event works. This is a fun and very popular event!

25 Businesses You Can Start
with Little Or No Money
Tuesday, September 21 7:00 pm

"Help! I've lost my job and want to start my own business, but I don't have much money! What can I do?" SCORE counselors have heard this lament many times this year! It is possible to start a successful business with just a little bit of money. Buck Buchanan, a veteran SCORE counselor who has started two successful multi-million dollar businesses, discusses some types of business you can start. He also outlines the characteristics of successful entrepreneurs and successful companies, and how they differ from unsuccessful ones.



Relax with the Harpist Merynda Adams
Wednesday, September 22 12:00 pm

What can you count on whenever a new season is upon us? That harpist Merynda Adams will be playing in our second floor reading area for two glorious hours! And of course, good books and magazines to read while you're listening. No need to register, just stop by and enjoy the soothing sounds of the harp.

Programs are open to Westfield Memorial Library and MURAL cardholders.
Register online at www.wmlnj.org and click on Online Calendar, or call 908.789.4090 x 4140.

Adult Programs for the Fall



Learn How to Take Action Shots Advanced Photography- Wednesday, September 22 7:00 pm

September has started, and a new year of sports and activities has begun. Would you like the action shots that you take of your kids to look like the one at the left? Learn how to catch all their great football, soccer, swimming and softball moves from

a photographer who has a solid background in action shots. Anthony Lauro has been a photographer at the US Open and the NCAA Lacrosse Finals. Forget about blurry photos from now on!

Enjoy the Music of NoName James Wednesday, September 29 7pm

Led by the innovative guitar of NoName James, this group combines blues, funk, jazz and rock. The catchy originals, harmony vocals, and variety of song styles make this a band that's as big as it is wide. They have played at a large variety of venues in New York City and New Jersey, including the

Summit Street Fair, Bloomfield Harvest Fest, and Westfield's own Blues and Jazz "Sweet Sounds" Festival. Better come early!



Anne M. Hale Speaker Series

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Dr. Thomas Farley, New York City Health Commissioner

"Prescription for a Healthy Nation"

Thursday, September 30 8:00 pm



(Note later-than-usual start time)



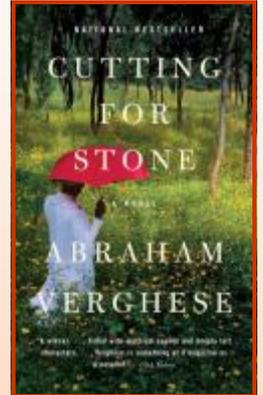
Dr. Thomas Farley has been NYC Health Commissioner since 2009. One of world's oldest and largest public health agencies, the commission has undertaken a number of innovative initiatives including a comprehensive tobacco control program, the elimination of trans fats in restaurant food, and a requirement for chain restaurants to post caloric information on menu boards. Dr. Farley is co-author of *Prescription for a Healthy Nation* and a was a longtime Westfield resident. This is an extremely timely program.

More Adult Programs for the Fall

Let's Talk at the Fiction Book Club: *Cutting for Stone* by Abraham Verghese
Wednesday, October 6 7:00 pm

Abraham Verghese turns his formidable talents to fiction, mining his own life and experiences in a magnificent, sweeping novel that moves from India to Ethiopia to an inner-city hospital in New York City over decades and generations. Sister Mary Joseph Praise, a devout young nun, leaves the south Indian state of Kerala in 1947 for a

missionary post in Yemen. During the arduous sea voyage, she saves the life of an English doctor bound for Ethiopia, Thomas Stone, who becomes a key player in her destiny when they meet up again at Missing Hospital in Addis Ababa. The story bobs and weaves with the power and coincidences of the best 19th-century novel.



Heads Up! Next Fiction Book Club meeting is December 15. *Suite Francaise* by Irene Nemirovsky.



"34th Street"

You've Seen His Photographs at the Met ...
Now Come meet Photographer Paul Lachenauer
Wednesday, October 13 7:00 pm

Photographer Paul Lachenauer speaks about his 30-year career and shows samples of his photography. In addition to presenting some highlights of his professional work for the Metropolitan Museum of Art, he presents work from several of his personal projects, including one recently exhibited at the Johnson & Johnson World Headquarters.

Paul exhibits his personal work throughout the NY/NJ region. His work is in the permanent collections of the Brooklyn Museum, the Museum of the City of New York and the New York Public Library. He is also a part time photography instructor at the Pratt Institute, a contributing photographer to the Westfield Leader and a Cranford resident for 17 years. **Bring your own photographs for discussion and critique.**

Enjoy the Cabaret Music of Castorina and Rose
Thursday, October 14 7:00pm

Betty Rose is a superb vocalist who has performed at New York City's Lincoln Center and Carnegie Hall. Rave reviews have described her angelic voice as "exquisite," her performances as "perfection," and audiences have called her a "perfect singer." Betty Rose is a classically trained vocalist with an extensive range who has been singing professionally since the age of five.

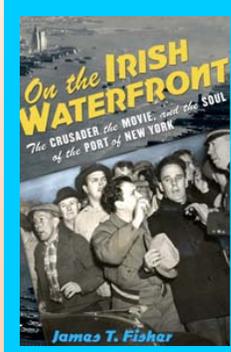
Charles Castorina is an extraordinary pianist who performs solo in the tri-state area, as well as with his partner Betty Rose.



Even More Adult Programs for the Fall

Learn from James T. Fisher, Author of *On the Irish Waterfront* Tuesday, October 26 7:00 pm

The true crime story behind Elia Kazan's award-winning 1954 film "On the Waterfront" is exhaustively detailed in this new history from Catholic historian Fisher who follows the tight web of dockworkers, union organizers, crime bosses, politicians and church leaders bound for decades to the corrupt Irish-controlled ports. Fisher begins just after the Civil War, when Irish Tammany assumed control of Manhattan's Lower West Side waterfront with a mob-like system of violence and intimidation. Trading in bribes, fees, and exploitive labor that impoverished the communities they helped build, the



crime bosses finally met their match in the 1940s, with the Jesuit priest John M. "Pete" Corridan. A hard-drinking, foul-spoken, yet unimpeachable leader hewn from the same rock as the wicked men he opposed, Corridan possessed a knowledge of dock dynamics and a tactician's skill to rival any of the crime bosses'; in his effort to retake the ports, Corridan played politicians, the media, and even Hollywood powerbrokers while converting thousands to the cause. *Publishers Weekly*

James Fisher is a Cranford resident and a professor of theology at Fordham University.

Joy Ann Cabanos is an artist and poet. She reads selections from her book *Brightness*, and leads some writing exercises/games to help participants experience their creativity.

Her poems have been published in SubtleTea.com and Exit 13 Magazine. She is also included in *The Baker's Dozen Vol. 3*, an anthology by international

Hear the Poetry of Joy Lara Wednesday, October 27 7:00 pm

poets. Her last solo exhibit, "New Eyes," featured her paintings and poems together. *Brightness* grows out of that pairing. It reveals the essence of Joy's artistic process, which finds her creating in the confluence of many loves: color, story, song, and nature.

Let's Play Some Victorian Parlor Games! Wednesday, November 3 7:00 pm



Let's join historian Judith Krall-Russo as she illustrates how 19th century Victorians spent their long winter hours entertaining guests with conversation, music and parlor games. We'll play several games as well as learn about typical refreshments.

Judith has enjoyed a lifelong love of

foods, especially embracing the rich agriculture of her home state - New Jersey. Also a tea expert, she began studying the customs and traditions of this universal beverage 30 years ago and has earned certifications as a Tea Specialist from institutes in Connecticut and New York.

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The Very Last Word on Adult Programs

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Arthur Lefkowitz, Researcher and Author

*George Washington's Indispensable Men:
The 32 Aides-de-Camp Who Helped Win American Independence*
Wednesday, November 17 7:00 pm



Arthur Lefkowitz, an independent researcher and author from Piscataway discusses his book, *George Washington's Indispensable Men*. This lecture explores a group of fascinating men who worked behind the scenes to help win American independence. Largely unknown and forgotten, these unselfish, hard-working patriots served at Washington's headquarters as volunteer aides-de-camp (personal assistants) and military secretaries. Their ranks included lawyers, doctors, artists, college students, businessmen and plantation owners. This presentation relates their accomplishments during the Revolutionary War and well into the 19th century.

Try Some Violin Magic! For Adults Saturday, November 20 2:00 pm



Have you ever wondered what it would be like to play the violin? Come and join us for an afternoon of music fun. Taught by Dr. Schlosberg of the New Jersey Workshop for the Arts, this program is designed for

beginners and/or those who are looking to brush up on their skills. Violins will be provided. **Make an appointment for sizing by calling the Workshop at 908.789.9696.** Fingernails must be trimmed.

Usher in the Holiday Season with the Harp Antics Sunday, November 28 2:00 pm

Has Thanksgiving already worn you out? Come to the Library to relax for a little while with the celestial sounds of ten harpists playing in harmony. Instructor Odarka Polanskyj Stockert leads her students in an afternoon concert.



Looking ahead ... Save these dates for the Foreign Film Festival



More information about the films is coming. Watch the website, Library Loop and the local papers.

Mondays 2:00 to 4:00 pm and 6:30 to 8:30 pm
October 4 "CoCo Before Chanel"
November 29 "Mid-August Lunch"
December 20 "Last Station"

**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 4130.**

NO TGIF—SEPTEMBER 3

LUDWIG VAN BEETHOVEN

September 10

Examine the life and music of this renowned composer.

JAMES DEAN

September 17

Review the life and legacy of one of America's classic leading men.

CLASSIC MOVIE WEEK:

"BABES IN ARMS"

September 24

Starring Mickey Rooney and Judy Garland.

PIERRE-AUGUSTE RENOIR

October 1

Learn about the life and works of this well-known Impressionist.

OZZIE AND HARRIET

October 8

Enjoy the story and adventures of one of America's favorite families.

"GLENN MILLER: THE MAN AND HIS MUSIC"

October 15

The story and music of one of Americas' best known band leaders.

PLEASE NOTE: THIS IS A LIVE LECTURE/PRESENTATION BY MR. RICK BUSCIGLIO

THE BROOKLYN DODGERS

October 22

Take a look at some of the men who were the heart and soul of this sports dynasty.

CLASSIC MOVIE WEEK:

"BELL, BOOK AND CANDLE"

October 29

Starring James Stewart and Kim Novak.

JANE AUSTEN

November 5

Celebrate the life and works of this English novelist.

TRAVEL GREECE

November 12

Enjoy the beauty and culture of this ancient country.

CLASSIC MOVIE WEEK:

"AN OLD-FASHIONED THANKSGIVING"

November 19

Starring Jacqueline Bisset and Helena Joy.

NO TGIF—NOVEMBER 26

All programs are videos or lectures unless otherwise noted.

Blood Pressure Clinic

Sponsored by the Robert Wood Johnson Care Center in Garwood.

Beginning October 1, on the first

Friday of every month: 12:30—1:15 pm.



Fall 2010 Storytimes and Programs for Children & Tweens

All programs are free to Westfield full-service library card holders. 908.789.4090 x 3

Homework Help. New this fall! Homework help for elementary school children. Kids in grades K-5 can drop by the Youth Services department for some free, friendly help from a local teen. Homework is always a little easier with a buddy to talk it over with! Parents/caregivers must remain in library during homework session. Open to full-service Westfield Library card holders only. Dates: **Mondays and Wednesdays, September 27 through October 27** (except Monday, October 11, when the library is closed for Columbus Day). Time: 3:30-4:30 p.m.

After School Special. Listen to some of our librarians' faves. Must be in elementary school. Dates: **Fridays, October 1, October 8, October 15, October 22 and October 29.** Time: 3:45-4:30 p.m. Open to full-service Westfield Library card holders only. No pre-registration.

Lego Club. Use your imagination to create wonderful Lego structures. Open to children in grades 1 through 5. Dates: **Wednesdays, September 22 through October 27, OR Thursdays, September 23 through October 28.** Time: 6-7 p.m. Open to full-service Westfield Library card holders only. Call the Youth Services Desk at 908.789.4090 x3 for registration.

Magician Mark. Magician Mark Zacharia will amaze and delight with his special brand of humor and magic. Recommended for children ages 4 and up. Open to full-service Westfield Library cardholders only. Date: **Saturday, October 2.** Time: 10:30-11:15 a.m. Online registration.

Mind-Reading for Tweens! Join Magician Mark Zacharia as he performs mind reading tricks and then shows you how it's done! Recommended for ages 10 and up. Open to the public. Date: **Saturday, October 2.** Time: 12-1 p.m. Online registration.

Tchin, Storyteller. Through the art of oral tradition, Tchin will tell traditional Indian stories. He will also perform and explain the seldom seen or heard Native American courting flute. **Sunday, November 14.** Time: 1:30 p.m. For ages 5 and up. Open to full-service Westfield card holders only. Online registration.

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Grupo ñ: Spanish-language storytime. All stories, songs and activities are in Spanish; no English is spoken. Age 6 and under with parent or adult caregiver. Dates: **Saturdays, September 11, October 16, November 13 and December 11.** Time: 10:30-11:15 a.m. Open to the public.

Jazz and Blues for Kids, an interactive performance. All families invited to find out all about rhythm, improvisation, orchestration, harmony, and FUN, featuring the Music 4 Kids Band. Date: **Saturday, September 25.** Time: 10-11 a.m. Open to the public. Online registration.

Family Storytime. Listen to stories in your pajamas! For families with children **ages 2½ and older.** Dates: **September 28 through November 2.** Time: 7:00-7:30 p.m. Open to the public. No pre-registration.

Tots' Storytime. Stories for children between the ages of 2½ and 3½. Parent or caregiver attends with child. Dates: **Fridays, September 24, October 1, October 8, October 15, October 22, October 29, November 5 and November 12.** Time: 10-10:30 a.m. Child must have their own full-service library card. No pre-registration.

Toddler Time. Stories, songs, finger plays and movement activities. For babies and toddlers up to age 3. Parent or caregiver attends with child. Dates: **Mondays, September 20, September 27, October 4, October 18, October 25, November 1, November 8 and November 15.** Time: 10-10:20 a.m. Child must have their own full-service Westfield Library card. No pre-registration.

Preschool Storytime. Listen to stories and do an activity. For children ages 3½ to 5, but not yet in kindergarten. Dates: **Tuesdays, 1:30-2 p.m., September 21, September 28, October 5, October 12, October 19, October 26, November 2 and November 9, OR Wednesdays, 10-10:30 a.m. September 22, September 29, October 6, October 13, October 20, October 27, November 3 and November 10.** Open to full-service Westfield Library card holders only. No pre-registration.