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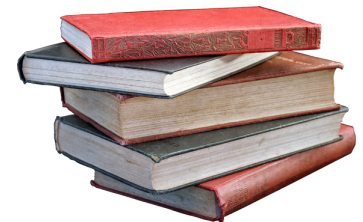
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## Used Book Drive October 1 -2

Due to the success of our first ever Friends of The Library book drive in April of 2022 we are looking to repeat that success with our Back to School book drive coming up September 24 and 25. Once again there will be neighborhood drop off locations around the West Allegheny community. If the dates and locations are not convenient for you remember donations can be dropped off during the Western Allegheny Community Library's operating hours. The library is located at 181 Bateman Road, Oakdale, PA. All proceeds from the Fall Book Sale benefit programming and general improvements at YOUR library.

The Friends will distribute some of these books to the FIVE Little Free Libraries in the communities and we also provide free books to families who use the Food Pantry.

**As a reminder, we do not take vinyl records, VHS tapes, cassette tapes, textbooks, encyclopedias, dictionaries, Reader's Digest Condensed books, magazines over 6 months old and anything damaged, soiled, or musty.**



### Community Drop-off Locations

#### **Imperial Point**

829 Ponderosa Dr  
372 Birch St  
396 Birch St

#### **Walden Woods**

109 Pinoak Ln  
176 Walden Way

#### **Fayette Farms**

222 Heritage Dr  
100 Springhill Dr

#### **Stonebridge Estates**

109 Stonebridge Dr

#### **Pointe West**

929 Fairfield Lane

#### **Maronda Farms**

407 Quarter Horse Lane

#### **Princeton Place**

113 Sovereign Ct

#### **Seabright**

206 Compass Ct

#### **Oakdale**

200 Merriwood Dr

#### **Lenox Place**

209 Lenox Court

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## News and Updates

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### New Hours



**Beginning September 6th, the library will have new hours.**

- Sunday - Closed
- Monday - 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.
- Tuesday - 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.
- Wednesday - 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.
- Thursday - 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.
- Friday - 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- Saturday - 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

### Strategic Plan

WACL recently completed a 5-year strategic plan. Highlights include an updated Mission, Vision, and Values, as well as five goals, or areas of focus.

**Vision:** Our vision is for West Allegheny to be a vibrant, inclusive, connected, and informed community that is committed to lifelong learning.

**Mission:** The mission of Western Allegheny Community Library is to provide a safe, inclusive, and accessible community-centered library that is free to the public and empowers its residents' personal, educational, and professional growth through our collection, programs, and services

To view the complete plan, please visit the library's website.

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## WACL Program Highlights

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Many people know the library has great programs for kids, but they also have lots of great things for adults. See below for a few and refer to the library website ([www.westernalleghenylibrary.org](http://www.westernalleghenylibrary.org)) for more.

### **CRUISE PLANNERS: VISIT ALASKA, Monday October 24 6pm-7pm**

Learn how to have an amazing Alaska Vacation with presenters from Anchorage Alaska and Jen Rosa with Cruise Planners, your local travel agency. Whether by road, rail or air, there are always abundant ways to experience Alaska. Explore glaciers, see wildlife, soak up the midnight sun and visit iconic national parks on a land-based. fly/drive or small group custom adventure. Let Anchorage be your base camp!



### **CUT THE CABLE CORD, Tuesday November 14 6pm-7:30pm**

Can you really live without cable? You can...and maybe you should. Learn about entertainment alternatives to cable, including streaming services and on-demand viewing and how they can save you money and hundreds of hours wasted watching commercials.

### **WINE AND CHOCOLATE PAIRING, Wednesday November 16 6-7:30pm**



One of the most popular programs will be returning again this Fall!!! join the library for a Wine & Chocolate Wednesday with My Favorite Sweet Shoppe. They will expertly pair five premier wines and five chocolate sweets that will satisfy everyone's palate. \$20 per person; register and pay online.

### **HOLIDAY VENDOR & CRAFT SALE, Saturday November 26 9am - 2pm**

Do some shopping on Small Business Saturday and support your library! A number of vendors will be featured, PLUS a wide variety of handmade crafts, jewelry, accessories and gifts. Attention vendors - sign up to be part of this popular event. \$25 per table plus an item for the raffle. See details and sign up on the library website.

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# The Friends of the Library Want You!

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## MEMBERSHIP

Want **early access** to the Spring and Fall book sales?? How about a bag of books at just **half the price**? Well, we've got GREAT NEWS... you get **all this and more** with your Friends of the Library annual membership!!! Visit the library's website to learn about our membership levels and their related benefits ([westernallegHENYlibrary.org/friends-of-the-library](http://westernallegHENYlibrary.org/friends-of-the-library)). Or, complete the membership form on the next page and drop it off at the library during regular business hours.

The Friends group is open to ANYONE and EVERYONE!! We are an extension of the library and all of our efforts directly support WACL's staff and mission. We'd like to provide more programs and fundraising, such as local-author talks, and for that we need members! There are 2-4 general meetings a year to share ideas and we would love to hear yours.

## VOLUNTEERISM

Do you know someone who needs volunteer hours?? Each year, we sell thousands of books over our three day sale; this requires the help of a lot of volunteers. We are currently looking for individuals looking to help during setup, sale hours, and tear down. If you're interested, or know someone who may be, please reach out to us via email at [wacfrinds@gmail.com](mailto:wacfrinds@gmail.com) or contact the library at 724-695-8150, ext. 6.

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## Save the Date

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### Our Fall Used Book Sale will be held October 19-22

We are well on our way...thousands of books have already been collected, sorted and boxed away but we anticipate many more. Be sure to save the date for our fall books sale scheduled for October 19th thru the 22nd.

Sale hours will be:

Wednesday, October 19th - Teacher Preview Night from 3-6 p.m.

Thursday, October 20th: 9 - 10 a.m. Early Bird Fee of \$10 or Members only  
10:00 a.m. - 8 p.m.

Friday, October 21st: 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Saturday, October 22nd: 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.





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## Become A Friend

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Not yet a member? We'd love to have you. Please take a moment to complete the form below and return it to the library *or* you can complete the online form at [westernallegHENYlibrary.org/get-involved/friend.html](http://westernallegHENYlibrary.org/get-involved/friend.html).

### ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP FORM

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

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**Membership Level**

\$5 - Seniors 65+ and Veterans  
(Early access to all book sales)

\$10 - Individual  
(Early access to book sales & 10% off a FFYL ticket)

\$15 - Family  
(Early access to book sales & ½ price off a bag of books)

\$\_\_\_\_\_ Additional Donation Amount

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**Additional ways to support our library:** (Please check areas of interest)

\_\_\_\_ Volunteer at book sales

\_\_\_\_ Volunteer at community events

\_\_\_\_ Donate baked goods or gift cards for book sales raffles

\_\_\_\_ Serve on a Friends group committee

Please return form to Western Allegheny Community Library

