



Flenniken Flamingo-gram

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Library Happenings

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Hours:

M-Th 10-7

Fri. 10-5

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Computer Classes Beginning

We will offer the following computer classes:

How to Use a Mouse-January 12

Microsoft Vista-January 19

Internet-January 26

Microsoft Word-February 2

All of the above classes are on Thursday afternoons from 1-2.

On Monday February 13th from 6-7 we will hold a Facebook class. Sign up today!

Geek Workshops

Are you interested in learning some of the newest technology? Attend one of our Geek Workshops! Geek workshops are a

time when you can drop in with some of your new "toys" and learn how to work them.

On January 23rd we will be working with ebook readers from 5-7.

On January 30th bring in your digital cameras (and instructions) and we will help you figure out your settings from 5-7.

New Hours

We were forced to cut our hours the last few years after severe budget cuts, but we are now looking forward to serving you better by increasing our hours! We will now be open 10-7 Monday-Thursday, 10-5 Friday, and 10-3 Saturday. We hope to see you soon!



Fine Forgiveness

The Flenniken Flamingo is flying south for the winter, but before it goes we are holding a Fine Free Forgiveness Holiday Bash! From December 19th through January 7th return any overdue materials you have out, and the Flamingo will reduce your fines on those items to zero. Use this as the perfect excuse to get in a little post holiday cleaning.

Flamingo Plunge

For the second year in a row, the Flenniken Public Library's Assistant Director, Jessica Miller, plans to enjoy a dip in the Monongahela River on New Year's Day. She will be dressed as the Flenniken Flamingo again this year. "Drastic measures are needed to help replace the 30%

decrease in state funding the library has experienced over the last three years. The people we serve deserve to have the best library services available," Miller said. Please stop in, call the library, or mail a check to make your pledge of support. Help to keep library services in eastern

Greene County funded in 2012.





The logo for our new consortium.

New Catalog

You may have noticed that our catalog looks different. That is because we have joined with Citizens Library in Washington and Tener Library in Charleroi to have a consolidated catalog. You are now able to put holds on our materials, and those at Citizens and Tener libraries. We will call you when the item comes in.

The new catalog also allows you to put holds on items

that have been ordered, but have not come in yet. There is a list available on our website that you can put your own holds on directly, or you can pick up a more complete list at the front desk and have us put holds on for you. If the book you want isn't listed, please let us know. We will find it for you.

To put a hold on an item, you will need to know your

library barcode, and your password. Your temporary password is the last four digits of your phone number. You may change it to something else when you log in to your account.

"When I discovered libraries, it was like having Christmas every day."--Jean Fritz

**"Going to the library builds a kid's imagination. Books help them discover themselves and the world."
Baltimore Oriole All-Star shortstop Mike Bordick**

**"In the non-stop tsunami of global information librarians provide us with floaties and teach us to swim."
Linton Weeks**

Overdrive: downloadable ebooks and audiobooks

Through a collaboration with the other libraries in Washington, Greene and Fayette counties, we are proud to provide access to downloadable ebooks beginning January 9th. Ebooks are electronic versions of books that can be read on a computer, or on a device called an ereader. Our ebooks will be lent out like regular library books except

you will go to our website to find a title that interests you.

To check out an ebook, click on the Overdrive link through our website and have your library barcode ready. It will walk you through the program you need to download onto your computer (it depends on the type of ereader you have). Once you get the program installed, you will have the

opportunity to download up to 5 items at a time. When you are done with the item, or once it exceeds the two week loan period, it will disappear off of your device. Audiobooks may be saved to your device.

To get help or for more information please contact the library.

Miss Norma begins storytimes Jan. 24th

For anyone who has stopped by during Story Hour or Toddler Time over the years Miss Tina has been a constant presence. Now that Miss Tina is working over at Little Bear Preschool in the mornings, Miss Norma has taken over both Toddler Time and Story Hour.

Miss Norma is enjoying working with the little ones again as she recently retired from teaching. She has been working with grade school students in the Summer Reading Program for the past two years.

After the Christmas break, Story Hour will resume on Tuesday January 24th at 11:00

and Toddler Time will return Friday January 27th at 11:00 (new times).