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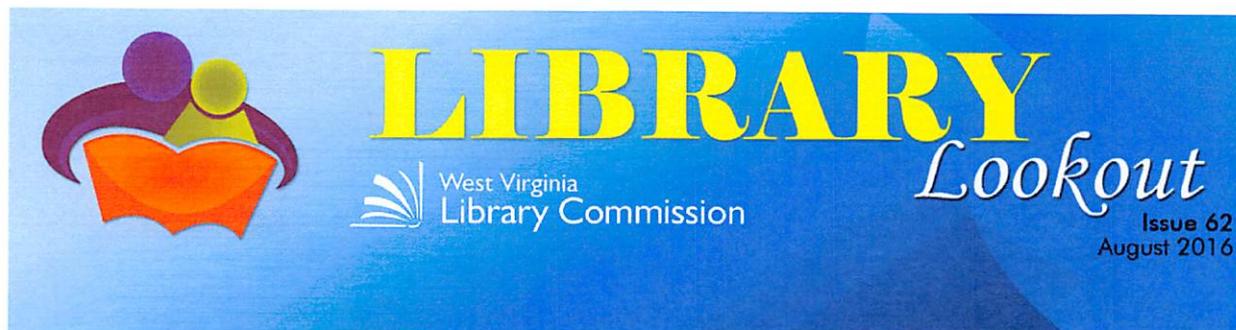
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West Virginia Library Commission (WVLC) Monthly Newsletter

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The WV Library Commission would like to wish **David Kinser** a HAPPY RETIREMENT! David has worked for WVLC Building Services for 35 years and officially retired on Friday, July 29th. **Thank You David for your MANY years of service! You will be missed!**



The WVLC will also be saying good-bye to their *Public Information Specialist*, **Pam McElvogue**. She will be moving back to Texas, as her husband has accepted a job in Dallas. Her last day will be August 5th. **Best Wishes in Your Future Ventures!**

## CONTINUING EDUCATION

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Events WebJunction Events Calendar

## WebJunction Events Calendar

To view a complete list of past WebJunction webinars, go to [WebJunction Event Archives](#)



WebJunction webinars are live audiovisual programs that are conducted online via WebEx web conferencing. Anyone who has an Internet connection can participate, listening to the audio broadcast through speakers or headset, or via phone. These **free** events allow you to meet and learn from library leaders and fellow library practitioners.

WebJunction's catalog of courses and webinar archives on library topics is now open to all library workers and volunteers across the nation. A certificate of completion is provided after you have completed any course or webinar that you enroll in. [Catalog »](#)

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**Vienna Public Library** collaborated with the American Red Cross this past June. Last summer's Blood Drive at the library was so successful, they were invited back by Brian Adams with the American Red Cross to help organize and participate in another Blood Drive being held at the Grand Central Mall in Parkersburg. The goal was to receive at least 100 units of blood. Surpassing their goal, they collected 109 units! Vienna PL has already scheduled

their next blood drive for **August 9 at the Vienna PL**. Anyone wanting to participate can stop by and give the gift of life!



### The WV Library Commission Wants to Hear From You!

The WV Library Commission will be collecting stories and ideas during the WVLA Conference in October.

*What did you do to help a patron? Any programs that were a huge success?* The Commission wants to promote libraries as being "MORE THAN a BOOK". Libraries are so many things! Here are just a few...

Civic Engagement Leaders  
Community Helpers

## Inspiring Educators

- Knowledge Builders
- Champions of Youth
- Idea Creators
- Technology Advocates
- **YOU FILL IN THE BLANK!**

The WV Library Commission would like to use these collected stories in promotional materials such as: news articles, press releases, PSAs, etc.

***So stop by our table to share YOUR STORY and brag about how libraries are MORE than BOOKS!***



## FREE Webinars

### Bring *What's Next, WV* to Your Community

[What's Next](#) is a statewide initiative designed to set directions for our future based on West Virginians' own ideas for helping their

communities and the state move forward. This webinar will help you join with and learn from others across the state who are strengthening their communities by:

- Developing strong coalitions of local partners
- Reaching out to involve new people
- Facilitating effective public discussions
- Using productive dialogue as a foundation for action

**When:** August 31, 10 am - 11 am

**Register:** [whatsnextwv.splashthat.com](http://whatsnextwv.splashthat.com)

### Facilitating Community Discussions

Want productive public discussions? Then you need strong facilitation that helps community members (1) work through different points of view and (2) set directions for future work. This free, online webinar will help you:

- Understand the role of a facilitator of public discussions
- Learn practices that support productive conversation
- Develop skills in dealing with facilitation challenges

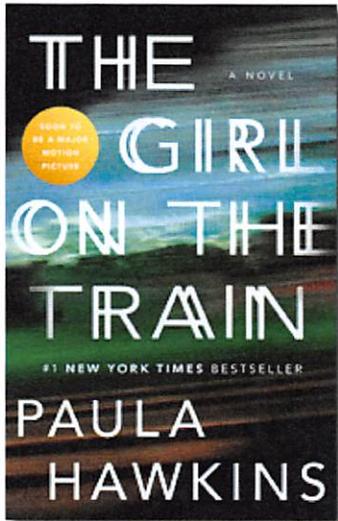
**When:** September 15, 3 pm - 4 pm

**Register:** [facilitatingdiscussions.splashthat.com](http://facilitatingdiscussions.splashthat.com)



JOIN  
and  
ADD  
to the DISCUSSION!

# WVLC Book Discussion GROUP



Featured Book of the Month!

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*The Girl on the Train* by Paula Hawkins

The debut psychological thriller that will forever change the way you look at other people's lives.

The #1 New York Times Bestseller, USA Today Book of the Year, soon to be a major motion picture starring Emily Blunt.

Contact Library Development Services to request this book for your book group! 304-558-3978 or [Robert.L.Gibson@wv.gov](mailto:Robert.L.Gibson@wv.gov)



## REMINDER! Library Directors...

[Bibliostat Collect](#)/Public Library Survey will open on Friday, July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2016. You will have until Monday, **August 15<sup>th</sup>, 2016**, to submit your survey.

Details on webinar offerings and changes to the survey will be announced soon on the Directors Only list-serv and on our website.

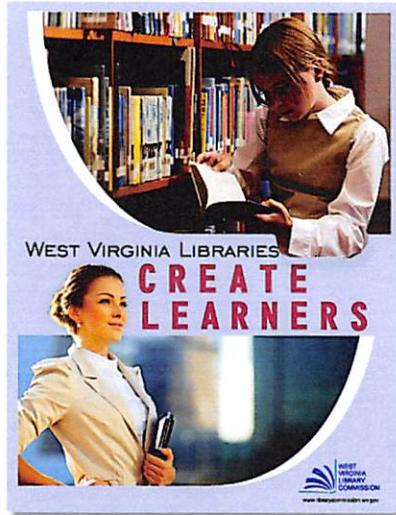
If you need a reminder of your username and password, please send an [email request](#).

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The WV Library Commission is looking for patron **SUCCESS** stories to create televised public service announcements. Using our current campaign theme: "WV Libraries Create Learners", the WV Library Commission would like to take these personal success stories and share them with others. Some examples might be...how a library helped someone learn something new or a class held at the library helped someone obtain a job.

If you have a patron that would like to submit and share a story, please email us their stories! We would love to read/use them!

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Please submit forms (stories) back to us [via email](#) if at all possible. Thank you!

**You're the Super Star!** Have a story to tell or a photo to share?  
Click Here to Email Us!

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