



Tuesday, July 27, 2010

Military Night

- 10:00 a.m. Michael Hughes “Kids’ Stuff in the 1930s” (Youth Workshop) @ Marysville Public Library, 231 South Plum Street, Marysville. What kept children entertained in the hard times of the 1930s, the era of the Great Depression? Find out as we experience some original toy advertisements, games, cartoons, comic books, and children’s films and radio shows of the 1930s.
- 11:00 a.m. Lunchbreak @ the library, Orson Welles’ radio broadcast of War of the Worlds, 1938 - Bring your lunch and listen to the famous broadcast at the Marysville Public Library, 231 South Plum Street, Marysville
- 1:00 p.m. Michael Hughes “Two Beams or Not Two Beams” (Golden Age of American Radio - Adult Workshop) @ Marysville Public Library, 231 South Plum Street, Marysville. This workshop is a tribute to the “Golden Age of American Radio.” Participants will provide voices and sound effects for a comic version of a 1930s style radio broadcast. Be warned that in this broadcast – in which Martians invade modern Ohio – the works of Orson Welles, H.G. Wells, and William Shakespeare are likely to become confused!
- 6:00 p.m. Entertainment: TBA – Patriotic Songs, Military Equipment Displays and Booths
- 7:10 p.m. Guest MC Retired General Oscar Decker
- 7:15 p.m. An Evening with Eleanor Roosevelt

Wednesday, July 28, 2010

Youth Night

- 10:00 a.m. Debra Conner “Photographic Images of the Great Depression” (Youth Workshop) @ Richwood-North Union Library, 4 East Ottawa Street, Richwood. The old saying "Every picture tells a story" was never more true than during the Great Depression. In this workshop, we'll look at famous photographs from the Depression era and learn about the photographers and the government program that sponsored their work. Then, we'll put our imaginations to work and invent stories to go with the photographs.
- 11:00 a.m. Restaurants and stores in downtown Richwood will be offering special menus and discounts for Ohio Chautauqua
- 1:00 p.m. Debra Conner “Movie Madness” (Adult Workshop) @ Richwood-North Union Public Library, 4 East Ottawa Street, Richwood. When David O. Selznick purchased the movie rights to *Gone with the Wind*, he was warned that he’d made a grave mistake. Many people said that a movie version of Mitchell’s hefty and wildly popular novel could never be made successfully. In this workshop, we’ll look at clips from the movie in order to appreciate the differences between Mitchell’s novel and Hollywood’s treatment of it. We’ll also look at all that went into making this monumental film.
- 6:00 p.m. Entertainment: Youth Group Performances including Encore! and TBA
- 7:10 p.m. Guest MC Steve Conley
- 7:15 p.m. An Evening with Paul Robeson

Thursday, July 29, 2010

Senior Night

- 10:00 a.m. Hank Fincken “Vaudeville Tonight” (Youth Workshop) @ Marysville Public Library, 231 South Plum Street, Marysville. Hank will discuss the history of vaudeville and how it worked. Script in hand, Hank will then perform an old vaudeville routine with an adult volunteer from the audience. The kids will talk about what makes it funny or not so funny. Every vaudeville theatre presented at least one comic one-scene play each night. Hank has written just such a play, and the workshop participants will read and stage this ten minute scene. We will emphasize timing and working as a cast. Those who wish to participate should be able to read a simple script.
- 11:00 a.m. Lunchbreak @ the library, It’s a Gift movie starring WC Fields, 1934 - Bring your lunch and enjoy the movie at the Marysville Public Library, 231 South Plum Street, Marysville
- 1:00 p.m. Hank Fincken “Make ‘Em Laugh: The Comedy of W.C. Fields” (Adult Workshop) @ Marysville Public Library, 231 South Plum Street, Marysville. The program begins with a discussion of how and why comic films flourished in the 1920s (“the Golden Age of Comedy”) and then struggled when silent movies became “talkies” in the early 1930s. Hank will show a few clips from Fields’ films, briefly discussing the history of each scene as well as what made it funny then and what makes it funny – or not – today. Hank is counting on the participants to join in the discussion and share their thoughts on Fields’ humor. As the Great One himself said, “I know what makes people laugh, but trying to get your hands on the why of it is like trying to pick an eel out of a tub of water.”
- 6:00 p.m. Entertainment: Over Easy featuring big band music and dancing
- 7:10 p.m. Guest MC Dick Douglas
- 7:15 p.m. An Evening with Orson Welles

Friday, July 30, 2010

Date Night

- 10:00 a.m. Susan Marie Frontczak “A Storyteller’s Tour of the 1930s” (Youth Workshop) @ Plain City Senior Center, 390 Allgyer Drive, Plain City. Whether you grew up in the 1930s or much later, chances are you’ve read stories that first came into print then. In addition to full length classics, such as The Hobbit, The Sword in the Stone, Little House in the Big Woods, and the first Nancy Drew mystery, The Secret of the Old Clock, the 1930s gave us numerous short tales like Watty Piper’s “The Little Engine that Could” and Dr. Seuss’s “To Think That I Saw It on Mulberry Street.” Travel to the land of your imagination – and hear just a little about how these stories reflect the times from which they came. Join experienced storyteller Susan Marie Frontczak as she leads us through adventures such as *The Country Bunny and the Golden Shoes*, *Mike Mulligan and His Steam Shovel*, and *The Story about Ping*.
- 11:00 a.m. Restaurants, Stores and Historical Society in uptown Plain City will be offering special menus, discounts and displays of the 1930’s
- 1:00 p.m. Susan Marie Frontczak “Dear Mr. President – A humorous look at letters and packages sent to the White House throughout the Roosevelt administration” (Suitable for family audiences) @ Plain City Senior Center, 390 Allgyer Drive, Plain City. Both F.D.R. and his wife Eleanor solicited opinions from the citizens of the United States. The public responded as never before. Requests, complaints, advice, praise, gifts of art or food, and the nearly overwhelming March of Dimes each took their turn in the spotlight. From the typical to the outrageous, hear what it was like in the mail room at 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue during the 1930s.
- 6:00 p.m. Entertainment: Sweet Adelines Tangle Quartet
- 7:10 p.m. Guest MC Commissioner Gary Lee
- 7:15 p.m. An Evening with Margaret Mitchell

Saturday, July 31, 2010

Family Night

10:00 a.m.

Marvin Jefferson “Grow to Be the Greatest...” (Youth Workshop) @ Marysville Public Library, 231 South Plum Street, Marysville. Paul Robeson’s record as a scholar-athlete is one of the most extraordinary achievements of any one person in American history. That he was able to accomplish these things during one of the most repressive periods for African Americans makes his story all the more inspiring. This workshop will focus on the forces that helped to shape this multi-talented man.

11:00 a.m.

Lunchbreak @ the library, King Solomon’s Mines moving starring Paul Robeson, 1937 Bring your lunch and enjoy the movie at the Marysville Public Library, 231 South Plum Street, Marysville

1:00 p.m.

Marvin Jefferson “Here I Stand” (Adult Workshop) @ Marysville Public Library, 231 South Plum Street, Marysville. Paul Robeson’s political activism remains controversial to this day. The debate as to whether or not the artist has the right to voice his or her political views has become a major issue in recent years, and no leading figure in American history was more persecuted for speaking his views than Paul Robeson. This workshop will help illuminate the reasons why Paul risked everything to speak his mind.

2:15 p.m.

Muffins Baseball Games @ Mill Valley Park South

5:00 p.m.

Entertainment: Agent 99, Luke the Juggler (balloon artistry) and other children’s activities

7:00 p.m.

Guest MC Mayor of Marysville Christiane Schmenk

7:10 p.m.

Star Spangle Banner, Anthony Whiteford

7:15 p.m.

An Evening with W.C. Fields

*** All evening performances will be held at Mill Valley Park South, Off Route 31 in Marysville***

