New Policy on Late Fees. Starting on July 1, children and teens who have their own library cards will no longer have to pay late fees on materials they check out of the libraries. In May, the JMRL Board of Trustees approved the exemption which applies to juvenile library users under the age of 16. This measure is meant to encourage young readers and families to sign up for library cards and use the region-wide service without the concern of paying fees for late returns. Fines will still apply, however, for replacing lost or damaged materials.

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Books for the YDC Kids. For the third year, the Friends organization provided $300.00 worth of new books for the kids who attend the Youth Development Council summer camp programs. As part of camp activities, they will visit the library for group tours and reading sessions.

Friends Membership. We are pleased to report that the membership of the Friends of the Greene County Library continues to grow. We feel that this is an indication of how much our library means to the community and how important the programs and activities are to us. Let’s keep the Friends group growing by renewing your membership when you receive a reminder post card and encouraging friends and neighbors to join.

Thanks to the Corner Store Garden Center. The potted plants at the entrance to the library were donated this Spring by the Corner Store Garden Center in Ruckersville. Thank you for the splash of summer color.

Celebrate Independence Day, July 4, starting with the parade along Main Street in Stanardsville, participating in all kinds of fun activities throughout the day, and ending the evening with fireworks display. Featured during the day will be hot air balloon rides, live music, crafters, concessions, vendors, living history exhibits, artillery battery, autism-friendly Cozy Corner, and much more.

Beyond the Books. The summer issue of Beyond the Books, the guide to library programs, classes, and events, is available in all JMRL branches.
Welcome to Greene County. The new restaurant, Jack’s Shop Kitchen in Ruckersville is open for business...a nice addition to Greene.

UPCOMING EVENTS FOR ADULTS

Saturday, July 9, 2:00 pm. Vyvyan Rundgren, Director of the Palette Art Gallery in Stanardsville and an instructor at the John C. Campbell Folk Art School in North Carolina, will give a program called Walking on Your Art. She will give a brief history of the painted floor cloth, demonstrate how painted floor cloths are made, and talk about how this process has evolved to include floor quilts and floor pages.

Saturday, August 6, 3-4:30 pm. Wenonah Hauter, the Executive Director of Food & Water Watch in Washington, D.C., will discuss her new book, Frackopoly: The Battle for the Future of Energy and the Environment. Ms. Hauter is also the author of Foodopoly: The Battle Over the Future of Food and Farming in America, published in 2014. Books will be available for purchase. The event will take place in the Greene Library Meeting Room.

Adult Books for Summer Reading. Some of the books recommended by library staffs:

**Vinegar Girl**, by Anne Tyler. Tyler, winner of the Pulitzer Prize, puts a smart and savvy contemporary twist on Shakespeare’s comedy, The Taming of the Shrew.

**The Invisible Library**, by Genevieve Cogman. Book collecting can be dangerous in this exciting fantasy debut which blends time-travel, mystery, and adventure to take readers on a thrilling journey.

**Grunt**, by Mary Roach. After investigating the science of sex, death, and space, Roach brings her curious mind and considerable humor to the subject of the military.

**Homegoing**, by Yaa Gyasi. Crossing centuries and continents, this epic novel traces the legacy of slavery and marks the debut of an astonishing literary voice.

**Missing, Presumed**, by Susie Steiner. Steiner introduces a determined female detective in this psychologically acute, pulse-pounding story of the search for a missing Cambridge student.

FAMILY PROGRAMS *(The following five programs take place on Thursdays at 2:00 pm)*

**Illstyle & Peace, July 7.** Find math hidden in the patterns and rhythms of hip-hop dance and music, and see math in a whole new light.
A View from the Top, July 14. The Wildlife Center of Virginia will present a peek into the lives of magnificent birds of prey and reveal what they can teach us about the world they inhabit.

After Jack, July 21. After Jack is what happens when you combine Appalachian music, gospel, songwriting, folk, mountain music, and a little bit of country. These three talented young women perform some of America’s earliest music and combine it with traditional Appalachian Jack Tales.

Pirates of the Pans, July 28. Listen to the sounds of Caribbean steel drums and explore how drums and pans became the popular instruments they are today. Learn more about the West Indies, our island neighbors to the south.

Juggler Jonathan Austin, August 4. Jonathan Austin, juggler, magician, comedian, and unicyclist, will amaze and delight the audience with his incredible talent and humor.

Family Movie, Saturday, August 13, 2:30-4:30 pm. Enjoy the exciting movie, Zootopia, rated PG. All ages are welcome, and refreshments will be provided. Registration required.

TEENS AND KIDS

Draw Your Own Manga, Monday, July 11, 5:30-7:30 pm. Join artist Michelle Nevan in this hands-on workshop to learn how to create your own manga, a style of Japanese comic book and graphic novel. Grades 6-12. Registration required.

Mr. Lemoncello’s Library Olympics, Saturday, July 16, 3-4:30 pm. The library will host four exciting book-based competitions (Library Olympics) based on the popular Mr. Lemoncello’s Library. Prizes will be awarded and confetti iced cake and lemon berry fizz will be served. Grades 4-8. Registration required.

Books at Bedtime, Mondays, July 18 and 25, 6:30-7:00 pm, ages 3-5. Stories will be read to pajama-clad kids and their favorite snuggly stuffed animals.

Duct Tape Crafts, Wednesday, August 3, 3-5:00 pm. This program is back by popular demand. Make something fun and colorful using your choice of duct tape. Grades 6-12. Required registration begins July 20.

“I got kicked out of ballet class because I pulled a groin muscle...it wasn’t mine.” Rita Rudner
“I ran three miles today...finally I said, Lady take your purse.” Emo Phillips